

GRETTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Gretton Parish Council Meeting held via videoconferencing, using Zoom, on January 13th at 7.00 pm. The meeting was not recorded.

Present Cllr's Linda Clifford, Richard Green, Geoff Hanson, John Hurley (Chairman) and Terry Nixon.

In Attendance Jackie Shields (Clerk) and TB Cllr's J Murphy.

1. Apologies for Absence.

No apologies were received.

2. Declarations of Interest.

Councillors were reminded to update their registers of interest held by TBC and to declare any personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda and their nature.

3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Council Meeting Held On Wednesday 11th November 2020.

The minutes were approved and will be signed when appropriate.

4. Tewksbury Borough Council and Gloucestershire County Council Update.

Cllr Murphy informed the council of new 'cells' at TBC. (Presentation sent to councillors). The council planning department is working towards being more customer friendly.

5. To Receive Updates On Highway Matters

a. Flooding/drainage.

Gretton Fields suffered substantial flooding on the 24th December, water came into several properties and houses where surrounded by water.

Cllrs Clifford and Nixon home had been flooded, they were appalled by the lack of understanding and help from TBC. There is no information on TBC website.

Action. Cllr Murphy will investigate.

Action. Cllrs Clifford and Nixon, will prepare a report on the extent of the flooding.

b. Traffic Calming and Parking.

The highways officer will look at the speed data for Gretton Fields, however a stationary sign would not seem appropriate, Cllr Hanson will investigate the cost of another mobile Speed Sign.

c. Roadworks.

Hopefully the works needed on the Winchcombe Road and at Gretton Fields will be budgeted into Highways 2021-2022 programme.

Action Cllr Hurley to contact highways.

6. To Discuss A Flooding Sustainability Report.

The council agreed after the recent flooding of Gretton Fields, which may have been caused by excess water coming from Gretton Village, to carry out a study and look at ways this can be alleviated in the future. A group consisting of Cllr's Hurley, Clifford, Nixon and Hanson, will start by collating the extent of the damage from the Christmas period, much of which still not has receded.

7. Planning Matters

- a. Planning applications for consideration.

None received.

- b. Consideration of any further planning applications received that require a response before the next scheduled Council Meeting (details to be published on the website).

None received.

- c. Ratify Comments on Planning Applications received between meetings.

- i. 20/01139/PIP - Manor Farmhouse, Gretton – the council has objected please see website for details.

- ii. 20/01205/PDAD Smallholding Plot 2 Warren Fruit Farm Evesham Road Greet Cheltenham

- iii. 20/01215/PDAD Smallholding Plot 6 Warren Fruit Farm Evesham Road Greet Cheltenham

- iv. 20/01220/PDAD Smallholding Plot 14 Evesham Road Greet Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 5BL

- v. 20/01217/PDAD Smallholding Plot 11 Warren Fruit Farm Evesham Road Greet Cheltenham.

We oppose on the grounds that this establishes a precedent for full time and probably non-agricultural development. The further submission re affirms the councils concerns, however the greater concern is that this part of Evesham road will eventually become a housing estate.

- vi. 20/01187/TCA Cupshill Cottage Duglych Lane Gretton Cheltenham. The parish council has no planning reason to object to this application

- vii. 20/01188/TCA Oak Cottage Greenway Lane Gretton Cheltenham The parish council has no planning reason to object to this application

- viii. 20/01087/FUL Glenbrook Farm Gretton Fields Gretton The parish council has no objection in principle but has a concern that the main entrance is located at a very dangerous bend used by heavy goods vehicle traffic accessing Gilders yard. We feel that this may place users of this facility in some danger.

- d. Planning Decisions.

Permitted TBC

20/00063/FUL - Park Farm Industrial Estate Evesham Road Greet Cheltenham.

20/00555/FUL - Sunnybank Greenway Lane Gretton Cheltenham

No objections from TBC

20/00991/TCA- 10 Gopshill Cottages, Gopshill Lane Gretton Cheltenham

20/00990/TCA - 3 Gopshill Cottages Gopshill Lane Gretton Cheltenham

20/00853/FUL - 5 Apple Orchard Close Gretton Cheltenham

- e. The council is concerned at the length of time some applications are, 'sitting' with TBC.

Action. Cllr Murphy to investigate.

8. Village Consultation and Neighbourhood Plan Update.

The results of the consultation has been fed back to the parish via the recent newsletters.

Cllrs Hanson, Green and Hurley will continue with this project. Cllr Hanson will collate all the responders, who offered to help and try and get a Zoom meeting organised to discuss the way forward.

Action. Clerk to put information and newsletter on the website.

9. To Discuss the Budget for 2021-2022.

Cllr Hanson proposed, Cllr Hurley seconded and it was approved by all to increase the precept to £10,420.00, due to the increase in properties in the parish this will mean that an average tax band D will remain the same as 2020-2021.

10. Financial Matters

- a. To Consider Invoices For Payment via BACS.

The council agreed to pay the following items via BACS:-

G Hanson	Noticeboard Perspex	£52.92
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J Shields	Clerks Expenses	
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- b. To ratify payments made by BACS between meetings.

The Ink Spot	Newsletter	£85.00
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- c. Financial Report.

Financial report was presented to the council.

11. Reports

- a. Clerk.

The report had been circulated

- b. Representatives.

GVA - The Hall is currently closed. The new heating system has been installed.

Ways of using the 106 monies from Spitfire are being explored.

- c. Councillors.

Cllr Green informed the council that the electrodes are due to be replaced, on the defibrillator, the council agreed for them to be ordered at a cost of approx. £50.00.

- d. Gretton Tower.

The repairs to Gretton Tower have been completed and the Gretton Tower Trust hopes to assume ownership later this month. They will continue fundraising to cover maintenance and insurance costs. The grounds will be opened to the public and will be signposted from the village green as a public open space.

12. Information and Correspondence.

- a. OPCC 'Safe and Social roads' survey for parish and town councils.

Unfortunately this was not completed.

- b. Ash Dieback Project: Replanting scheme.

The council will not be pursuing this.

13. Items for Future Agenda.

Flooding

Neighbourhood Plan.

14. Date of the Next Meeting.

March 10th at 7pm via Zoom.

Signed