

## PAINSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MAY 2010 AT 7.30 P.M.

Present: Cllr Terry Parker Chairman  
 Cllr Jason Bullingham  
 Cllr Ann Burges Watson  
 Cllr Andy Cash  
 Cllr Ann Daniels  
 Cllr David Hudson  
 Cllr Rob Lewis  
 Cllr Ela Pathak-Sen  
 Cllr Martin Slinger  
 Cllr Caroline White

In Attendance: 8 Members of the Public  
 1 Members of the Press

#### 1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Cllr David Hudson and seconded by Cllr Ann Daniels that Cllr Terry Parker be elected as Chairman. As there were no other nominations, the Council unanimously agreed. Cllr Terry Parker duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. He thanked the members for their support.

#### 2. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Cllr David Hudson and seconded by Cllr Andy Cash that Cllr Martin Slinger be elected as the Vice Chairman. As there were no other nominations, the Council unanimously agreed. Cllr Martin Slinger duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

#### 3. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr Jackie Woof (other commitments).

#### 4. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

Cllr Jason Bullingham declared an interest in agenda item 9a – Allotments, as Gyde Trustee.

Cllr David Hudson declared an interest in agenda item 10 – St Mary's Church as a Member of the PCC.

Cllr Rob Lewis and Cllr Andy Cash declared an interest in agenda item 11 – Painswick Summer Arts both as Committee Members.

**5. TO CONSIDER CO-OPTION TO THE COUNCIL TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF Cllr MAHENDRAN.**

The chairman reported that one application had been received from Mr Ian James from Jacks Green, Sheepscombe and that his CV had been circulated to members with the Agenda. Cllr Andy Cash stated that Mr James was a very active member of the Sheepscombe community.

The Council unanimously agreed to the Co-option of Mr James to the Council.

**6. COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION**

The Council agreed to the following Committee representation:

**Finance & General Purposes Committee:**

Chairman: Cllr Martin Slinger  
 Members: Cllrs Ann Daniels, Rob Lewis  
 Ex-officio: Cllr Terry Parker

**Footpath Committee**

Chairman: Cllr Terry Parker  
 Members: Cllrs, Cash, Daniels, James  
 Ex-officio: Cllr Martin Slinger  
 Co-option: Mr Douglas Robinson

**Planning Committee**

Chairman: Cllr David Hudson  
 Vice Chairman: Cllr Jason Bullingham  
 Members: All other Council Members

**Plantation Committee**

Chairman: Cllr Ann Daniels  
 Members: Cllrs Bullingham, Burges Watson, Hudson  
 Ex-officio: Cllrs Terry Parker & Martin Slinger

**Traffic Committee**

Chairman: Cllr Ann Burges Watson  
 Members: Cllrs Lewis, Hudson, Pathak-Sen, Woof  
 Ex-officio: Cllrs Terry Parker & Martin Slinger  
 Co-option: Mr Ben Nicholls

**Land & Buildings Committee**

Chairman: Cllr Martin Slinger  
 Members: Cllrs Cash, Daniels, Hudson, Pathak-Sen, Woof  
 Ex-officio: Cllr Terry Parker  
 Co-option: Caroline Bodington

## 7. NOMINATION TO OTHER BODIES

The Council agreed to the following nominations:

**Gyde Charity:** Cllr Jason Bullingham

**Gyde Almshouses:** Cllr Ann Daniels, Mr M Watts

**Recreation Ground Sports Pavilion Committee:** Cllrs Terry Parker & Martin Slinger

**Painswick Education Foundation:** Cllr Ann Daniels

**Sheepscombe Village Hall Committee:** Cllr Andy Cash

**Elliot Nature Reserve Management Committee:** Cllr Jackie Woof

**Broadham Rugby & Sports Club:** Cllr Martin Slinger

**Painswick Beacon Conservation Group:** Cllrs Ann Burges Watson & Terry Parker

**Hambutts Field Trust:** Cllr Martin Slinger

**Edge Village Hall Management Committee:** Cllr Martin Slinger

**Safer Community Panel/Key Individual Network:** Cllrs Ann Daniels, Cllr Ian James & Cllr Rob Lewis

**Fairtrade:** Cllr David Hudson

**Youth Liaison:** Cllrs Ela Pathak-Sen, Terry Parker & Martin Slinger

**Chamber of Trade – Painswick Matters:** Cllr Jason Bullingham

**Richmond Liaison Group –** Cllr Ann Burges Watson

## 8. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> APRIL 2010

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2010.

The Council agreed to amend the typographical error of Paragraph 10 to read “Gloucestershire”.

Subject to the amendment the minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

## 9. MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA

### a. Minute 4b. Allotments

Cllr Caroline White updated the Council advising that the Consultation Period closed on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm and that 176 feedback forms had been received and also other forms of correspondence. The Council had now appointed a Land Agent from Gloucestershire County Council, the monies for this have been included in the Allotment Budget.

Cllr Caroline White also reported that a further public meeting is to be held on the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010, at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall, to present to the Public the Working Group’s preference for an allotment site. This will then be followed by a further 10 day consultation period leading to a final recommendation to Council during its July meeting.

The Chairman then read out correspondence from Mr Chittenden calling for the process to be restarted due to procedural problems. The Chairman also stated that correspondence had been received from 25 Gyde Road Residents opposing the use of the Gyde Triangle.

The Chairman also asked those members of the Public Present if they wished to have their correspondence read out, they all declined.

Finally, the Council extended its sincere thanks to all of the Working Group Members who have dedicated vast amounts of their own time in ensuring that the allotment selection process is being carried out in a very professional and fair manner.

**b. Minute 4d. Leasing of Former Lloyds Bank Building**

The Chairman reported upon correspondence received from Anne Smith in which it advises that there are now enough volunteers to run a Tourist Information Community Project for 6 days a week.

The chairman advised that a Survey report had now been received, which will be discussed by the Working Group on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2010.

The Council agreed to write a formal letter of thanks to Anne Smith congratulating her on her efforts regarding the Tourist Information Centre/Community Project.

**c. Minute 4e. Gas Works: Road Closure**

Cllr Martin Slinger reported upon a recent meeting with various key official members involved with the Road Closure, it was reported that the Road (A46) will close through Painswick on the 1<sup>st</sup> June for 4 weeks, although it is hoped that the works can be completed sooner.

The clerk reported that revised bus timetables were being produced by Gloucestershire County Council and were due to be distributed shortly.

Cllr Rob Lewis expressed his concerns that the recent meeting was chaired by the Parish Council, although it was arranged by the Traders and as such should have been chaired by them. He raised numerous points of concern including lack of consultation, buses and traffic management.

The council agreed to set up a further meeting with Gloucestershire County Council officers to discuss these concerns.

**CLERK**

**10. TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM ST MARY'S CHURCH RELATING TO GRASS CUTTING AND YEW TREE CLIPPING**

The Chairman having circulated to all members detailed a letter from St Mary's church asking the Council to consider various options to give financial support towards the upkeep of the churchyard. The Council, given the complexities of the request agreed to pass the correspondence to the Finance and General Purpose Committee for further consideration.

**CLERK**

**11. TO CONSIDER A FURTHER REQUEST FOR FUNDING TO SUPPORT A PAINSWICK SUMMER ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL.**

The chairman having circulated to all members detailed a request for additional funding towards the cost of Street Side banners from the Painswick Summer Arts and Crafts festival committee.

The chairman of the Finance and General Purpose Committee stated that the Council could not afford to support any additional costs towards this project, given that it has already given a commitment of £950.00, accordingly the Council agreed unanimously not to support the additional request for funding. **CLERK**

**12. RFO REPORTS**

- a. To agree payments in accordance with the budget as listed in the attached report. Subject to the removal of the duplicated payment for Mrs Newman the accounts were approved for payment.
- b. To adopt the accounts for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010.

It was proposed by Cllr Jason Bullingham and seconded by Cllr Rob Lewis that the accounts presented by adopted by the Council, this was unanimously agreed.

- c. To complete the Annual Governance Statement.

The Responsible Financial Officer detailed the statement with was fully endorsed by the Council and signed by the RFO and Chairman.

**13. WARD REPORTS**

- a. Speeding/Noisy Motor Cycle Gloucester Street. Cllr Ann Burges Watson expressed concern at the continued presence of a speeding, noisy motorcycle using Gloucester Street. The Council agreed to refer the matter to the KINS meeting. **JOB**

- b. Potholes – Kingsmill Lane

Cllr Ela Pathak-Sen stated that she has reported potholes along Kingsmill Lane and the Highways are to investigate.

- c. Flowers Town Hall – Cllr Ela Pathak-Sen asked if the school children could plant some additional flowers in front of the Town Hall in order to enter the Horticultural Shows Competition. It was agreed that Cllr Ela Pathak-Sen will speak with Cllr Ann Daniels on this matter. **EPS/AD**

- d. R Hynds Farm. Cllr Jason Bullinham reported that part of Mr Hynds wall has been knocked over by Highways Contrators when they erected the new Village Signage. It was agreed to report this matter to Highways. **CLERK**
- e. Village Sign by Broadham – Cllr David Hudson asked it the sign by Broadham could be cleared of foliage. The Council agreed. **GH**
- f. Vibrant Village of the Year 2010 – The chairman reported that the Council had completed the entry form, and extended his thanks to the Pharmacy and also The Painswick Centre for helping to complete a section each.

**14. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEMBERS ON OTHER BODIES**

- a. Watercourse Maintenance. Cllr Martin Slinger reported the details of his recent attendance at a Stroud District Council Seminar.

**15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 16 June 2010 at 7.30 p.m.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.40 P.M.**