

**MINUTES OF THE PAINSWICK PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY**  
**19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2025 AT 7.30 PM**

Present: Cllr Andy Cash Chairman  
Cllr Sandra Hunkin  
Cllr Gary Luff  
Cllr Ian Massey  
Cllr Roey Parker

In Attendance: 1 Member of the Press

**1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs James Cross, Ann Daniels, Selina Gibb, Adrain Gyde, Rosie Nash and County Cllr Sue Williams.

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2025**

The Minutes were accepted and signed as a true record.

**4. TO CONSIDER ANY APPLICATIONS TO BE CO-OPTED TO THE PARISH COUNCIL**

There were no applications received.

**5. REPORTS**

**a. County Council, including a briefing on the proposed devolution.**

The report is available by using the link below:

<https://www.painswick-pc.gov.uk/uploads/county-cllr-susan-williams-report-feb-25.pdf?v=1739784807>

**b. District Council.**

The District Cllrs report is available via the link below:

<https://www.painswick-pc.gov.uk/uploads/district-cllr-gary-luff-report-feb-25.pdf?v=1739784191>

Additionally, District Cllr Gary Luff updated the Council on second homes council tax and devolution, and ongoing enforcement action in Slad

**c. Chairman.**

The Chairman reported that the Town Halls long serving cleaner Denise Newman has recently retired and extended, on behalf of the Council its sincere thanks for her devoted service over a period of 25 years plus.

**6. TO RECEIVE THE NOTES FROM THE MEETING WITH THE CROFT SCHOOL COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025.**

The Council received an update from Cllr Sandra Hunkin and received the notes from the meeting.

**7. TO CONSIDER AND AGREE TO ENTERING THE GRCC GLOUCESTERSHIRE VILLAGE OF THE YEAR 2025 AND TO SET UP A WORKING GROUP TO COMPLETE THE ENTRY FORM**

The Council agreed to enter the Village of the Year 2025, subject to the forming of a Working Group to complete the entry, it was agreed that Cllr Adrian Gyde (subject to his agreement) and another volunteer councillor will form the initial working group and invite other groups, churches, charities, businesses to join the working group to prepare the application.

**8. TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSALS PUT FORWARD BY THE GAPTC TO CHANGE THEIR NAME AND LEGAL STRUCTURE**

The Council agreed to Abstain from voting as it felt that insufficient information had been provided to support the name change and legal status change.

**9. ACCOUNTS**

**a. To Approve the Accounts for Payment as per the list circulated prior to the meeting.**

The Council approved the accounts for payment.

**b. To consider and agree to appoint Mr Ian Crowe FFA as the Council Internal Auditor for the Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

The Council agreed to appoint Mr Crowe as its Internal Auditor.

**c. To adopt the Model NALC 2024 Financial Regulation.**

The Council adopted the revised Financial Regulations.

**10. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES**

- a. **Painswick Beacon Conservation Group.** Cllr Ian Massey gave an update on the Cattle and advise that the conservation group membership has grown in the past few months.
- b. **Gyde Trust.** Cllr Gary Luff reported his attendance at a recent meeting.

**11. WARD REPORTS**

- a. **Sheepscombe.** Cllr Sandra Hunkin reported that the white linage agreed by highways for the Village will be put in place in the new financial year. Cllr Hunkin also report upon the positioning of two new yellow grit bins, both of which seem to have been positioned badly, it was agreed that she will take this issue up with Highways. Cllr Roey Parker raised her concerns about a new “no vehicles access” sign that has been erected on a track near to the Pub. Finally, Cllr Parker reported that the Cotswold Wardens have cleared Jacks Green and that the works are extremely impressive, the Council agreed, subject to ward funding being available to make a grant of £100.00 to the Cotswold Wardens.
- b. **Slad.** Cllr Andy Cash reported that a Ward Meeting is to take place on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February. He also reported upon the concerns at Steanbridge and finally, the condition of the Public Right of Way by the Woolpack.

**12. PURSUANT TO SECTION 1(2) OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS ACT 1960), IT IS RESOLVED THAT BECAUSE OF THE CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED THE PRESS AND PUBLIC LEAVE THE MEETING.**

The Council resolved that the press and public leave the meeting at this point.

**13. TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE LAND & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE MADE DURINGS ITS MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025 IN REGARD TO THE LEASE FOR ST MARY’S BUSINESS UNIT 2.**

The Council agreed to the recommendations to offer the lease to Atomic Orange.

**14. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE TENNIS COURT LEASE AGREEMENT.**

The Clerk reported that a 10-year lease agreement, back dated to 2019 has been agreed and signed. The Council wished to thank Cllr Rosie Nash for all her hard work in ensuring that the agreement was satisfactory to both parties.

**15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 7.30 pm in the Painswick Town Hall.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.15 PM**