

PAINSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
ON WEDNESDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2018 AT 7.30 P.M. – IN
PAINSWICK TOWN HALL**

Present: Cllr Martin Slinger (Chairman)
Cllr Ann Daniels
Cllr Dawn Dart
Cllr Ian James
Cllr Mike Fletcher
Cllr Abigail Smith
Cllr Stephen Tye

In attendance: 2 Members of the Press
County Councillor Keith Rippington

1. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Council accepted apologies for absence from Cllrs James Cross, Edd Crownshaw, Rob Lewis, Rosie Nash, Roey Parker and District Cllr Nigel Cooper.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

There were none.

**3. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 17th OCTOBER 2018.**

Item 8. The Council agreed to insert the words “was simple” in line 5 after registration and delete “was not costly and did not involve much work”. Subject to these amendments the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed accordingly.

4. MATTERS OF URGENCY

There were none.

5. TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

Cllr Keith Rippington updated the Council on the setting of County Councils budget and the need to increase the budget for Children and Adult services. He also updated the Council on the Yellow Lines opposite the Stamages Lane Car Park, the delayed road repair works in Sheepscombe and the Pitchcombe Junction public meeting.

6. TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

District Cllr Nigel Cooper having tendered his apologies circulated a report to the Members prior to the meeting.

7. TO CONSIDER COMMENTS TO BE MADE IN RESPECT OF STROUD DISTRICT COUNCILS' PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE SDC OFF STREET PARKING PLACES.

The Council fully endorsed all the proposed changes and acknowledged its thanks to District Councillor Nigel Cooper and the District Council Leader Diona Cornell for their support in proposing the abolition of parking charges in Painswick.

8. TO RECEIVE AND DISCUSS DETAILS ON FIREWORKS LEGISLATIONS.

In the absence of Cllr Rob Lewis; this item was deferred.

9. TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2018.

Cllr Abigail Smith, Chairman of the Traffic Committee gave an overview of the meeting and an update received from the Highways Stakeholder which included new signage for Golf Course Road and the Vatch in Slad, planned works on the B4073, gully clearance in the parish and an update on the VAS. Finally, Cllr Smith thanked the Community Speed Watch Team for their efforts and the Parish Handyman and the Apprentice for undertaking sign clearance.

10. TO CONSIDER THE CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP OF THE GLOUCESTER ASSOCIATION OF TOWN, PARISH COUNCILS (GAPTC)

The Council having received advice from GAPTC that a reduction of 5% for a qualified Clerk and 10% for being a qualified council will be applied to the GAPTC element unanimously agreed to continue with its membership.

11. RESPONSIBLE FINANCE OFFICER REPORTS

a. To agree payments in accordance with the budget as listed in the attached report.

The Council approved the accounts for payment.

b. To receive a report from the Internal Checker.

The Council noted that the internal checks were completed in November 2018 by Cllr James Cross, with no observation raised.

12. WARD REPORTS

a. Tibbiwell Lane – Gullies. Cllr Dawn Dart asked if the gullies in Tibbiwell Lane can be cleared. Cllr Abigail Smith reported that the gullies are on the work schedule for this financial year.

b. Litter Bin in Edge. The Chairman reported that after an article in the Stroud News and Journal the bus shelter bin is going to be repaired.

c. Poppy Appeal. The Chairman thanked the Clerk and the Community for raising over £3K in Painswick during the recent poppy appeal.

13. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

- a. **Painswick Beacon Conservation Group.** Cllr Abigail Smith reported the details of a recent meeting that she has attended.

CONFIDENTIAL AGENDA

Pursuant to 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting Act 1960), it is resolved that because to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the Public and Press leave the meeting.

The press and public withdrew from the meeting.

14. To consider and agree options in regards future use of the Cemetery Chapel.

The Council agreed in principle to setting up a licence agreement to allow the use of the Chapel.

15. To consider a request for a grant from the St Mary's PCC towards the Churchyard Maintenance.

The Council agreed to make a grant of £1500.00 towards the Churchyard upkeep.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2018 at 7.30PM, IN PAINSWICK TOWN HALL.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.02 PM