

HUCCLECOTE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15TH NOVEMBER 2021
IN THE MEETING ROOM AT
PINEHOLT VILLAGE HALL AT 7 PM

Present	Councillor Mrs Bentley (In the Chair) Councillor Bentley Councillor Pugh Councillor Mrs Blackwell Councillor Ms Clutterbuck Councillor Edge
In attendance	Councillor Robert Vines (County) Councillor Paul Smith (Borough)

21/124 ACCEPTED APOLOGIES

- i. Councillor Stevens
- ii. Councillor Mrs Heyden

21/125 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY AND THROUGH THE CHAIRMAN

Thanks were expressed to volunteers from Spirax Sarco who spent a day tree and bulb planting; they also donated a tree for outside the village hall.
The Remembrance Day parade was very well attended and the Chairman laid a wreath and gave a reading on behalf of the Parish Council.

21/126 RESIGNATION OF CLLR SID RAMMOHAN

The vacancy was noted and has been duly advertised.
It was agreed Councillor Bentley take over as flood warden and other members were invited to take on the role of snow warden.

21/127 QUESTIONS FROM PARISHIONERS

There were no questions.

21/128 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 18th October 2021 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

21/129 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

New information boards have been installed on Larkhay Road and at Horsbere Lake; these display the footpaths on Churchdown Hill and the Countryside Code.

An email was sent to the Gloucestershire County Council Cabinet members asking them to adopt a 20mph residential speed limit in Gloucestershire.

21/130 BOROUGH / COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

County – The grant application submitted by Councillor Stevens for funding towards trim trail equipment has been forwarded to Shire Hall for consideration. Councillor Vines had tried to contact Chris Townley about the Traffic Regulation Order but he had received no response; the Chairman will call Mr Townley for an update. **ACTION B/B**

Borough – Councillor Mrs Blackwell reported that the Borough Council is considering its budget for 2022/23, figures from Government had been delayed and these were awaited. A senior planning officer, Mr Paul Skelton, is leaving the Council and will be a sad loss.

Councillor Paul Smith gave a short report of outstanding highways matters on Coopers Edge; remedial work will commence shortly on the Wotton Brook footpath.

21/131 REPORT FROM COOPERS EDGE TRUST

Councillor Dave Bentley gave a short report; details were given on trust activities including the temporary running of the sports facilities. This year they will be organising the Advent Fenster event and there will be a prize for the best decorated window; it was proposed, seconded and resolved to support the event with a £20 donation.

Councillor Ms Clutterbuck joined the meeting.

21/132 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs Blackwell declared that as a member of the Tewkesbury Borough Council planning committee she would not participate in any discussions relating to planning matters. Councillor Pugh declared an interest in item 10a (ii) and will not participate in the discussion.

21/133 PLANNING

a) New Applications

- i. 21/01251/FUL – Zoons Court. Erection of an extension to existing workshop. Plans were circulated to members before the meeting. It was proposed, seconded and resolved not to object to the proposed work.
- ii. 21/00531/FUL – 2 Colerne Drive. Additional information was supplied by the agent and noted. Following discussion, members still felt there was over development on the site.

b) Decisions

- i. 21/00696/FUL – 18 Colerne Drive. Demolition of existing garage and erection of side extension. Permitted

c) Enforcement report

There were no new cases to report.

d) Tewkesbury Borough Plan Main Modifications Consultation

Details were noted, a draft response will be prepared. **ACTION: T/S**

21/134 PINEHOLT VILLAGE HALL

a) Clerk's report

The parish council was asked for its views on what should be included in the Management Plan for the new sports facilities on Coopers Edge. The Borough Council will expect the organisation to engage with the community and to provide activities such as holiday sports clubs, running clubs etc.; there were no further comments to add.

An invitation was received to attend a Road Safety workshop on Wednesday 15th December at Shire Hall; Councillor Mrs Blackwell will attend virtually.

As part of the 'Growing our Community' project members agreed to host two Christmas events inviting retired residents for coffee/tea and cake on Thursday 9th December and Wednesday 15th December between 10 – 12; a flyer will be delivered to households and posters displayed on the noticeboards. **ACTION: CLERK, B/B, J/H**

b) Village Hall electrical repairs

Quotations were received to replace two RCBO's and a faulty external light at the village hall. It was proposed, seconded and resolved to accept the quotation from Byard Electrical Contractors; the total cost will be £200.

21/135 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT

a) Outstanding issues

A letter of complaint was sent to National Highways regarding road noise issues emanating from the M5 Motorway.

Councillor Vines left the meeting.

21/136 PLAY AREA

a) Inspection report

Members undertook the monthly inspection there were no matters to report, the platform on the IXO unit needs tightening up. **ACTION: D/B**

21/137 FINANCE

a) Accounts for Payment

		Net	VAT	Gross
i.	D B Landscaping – External repairs	300.00	0.00	300.00
ii.	Facebook – Advertising	28.63	0.00	28.63
iii.	Fine Turf Services – Grounds maintenance	322.00	0.00	322.00
iv.	ASG – Automatic door service contract	165.00	33.00	198.00
v.	Communicorp – Subscription	75.00	0.00	75.00
vi.	IntoCleaning – Cleaning services	185.55	37.11	222.66
vii.	GeoXphere – Parish online subscription	48.00	0.00	48.00
viii.	B&Q – Spray paint	10.42	2.08	12.50
ix.	Supanet – Broadband	13.80	2.77	16.57
x.	British Gas – Service contract	26.58	5.31	31.89
xi.	SWALEC – Gas supply	68.00	0.00	68.00
xii.	BT - Telephones	218.11	43.61	261.43

xiii.	SWALEC – Electricity supply		99.00	0.00	99.00
xiv.	Water plus – Supply charges		49.92	0.00	49.92

Payment of the accounts was proposed by Councillor Pugh and seconded by Councillor Mrs Bentley.

b) Internal control report Jul – Sept

Councillor Mrs Heyden had undertaken the audit for July – September 2021, there were no matters to report.

c) Future projects and grant applications

The following updates were received:

- i. Trim Trail – an application was submitted to the GCC Build Back Better fund.
- ii. Wild flower planting – the specification was agreed and local companies invited to quote for the work.
- iii. Solar panels and green initiatives – a sustainability strategy will be researched and drafted before proceeding.
- iv. Development of the Mound area – confirmation was awaited from Bovis Homes.

d) Hall hire charges from April 2022

Charges were last reviewed in 2017 and with the increasing energy costs members agreed to increase the rates for regular and casual bookings from April 2022. Hirers will be notified of the new rates and will be informed that there will be an annual review of charges in the future.

e) Provision of youth services for Coopers Edge

Members attended a meeting with the Clerk of Brockworth Parish Council and Chairman of Upton St Leonards to discuss the joint provision of youth services for Coopers Edge. They appreciated the time and effort she had put into drafting the Tender documents and supporting information.

Following discussion there were still some concerns about the joint proposal and therefore it was proposed, seconded and resolved not to commit to the proposal at this time but to maybe join at a future date; all members voted in favour.

f) Forecast report and budget requests 2022/23

Members received a forecast report for 2021/22 and a draft budget report for 2022/23; the budget will be revised and presented at the next meeting.

21/138 MISC

a) Meeting dates 2022

The meeting dates for 2022 were agreed.

Meeting closed at: 20.23