

# Minutes of Temple Guiting Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7.30pm

**Councillors present:** Michael Krier, Val Littlewood, Rex Bovill, Val Brown, Kate Mather, Philip Beaver.

1. **Apologies:** Received from Cllr Gower in advance.
2. **Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda (Localism Act 2011):** None.
3. **Points from the floor:** None.
4. **Approval of the previous meeting's minutes:** Council approved the minutes of the meetings held on 7<sup>th</sup> February and 15<sup>th</sup> March as a true record of these meetings and they were signed by the Chairman. **Action: Clerk to post to website.**
5. **Clerk's report.** The Clerk's report was noted.

Cllrs Krier and Brown reported on their meeting with Bidwells (agents of Corpus Christi). Bidwells confirmed that Corpus Christi plans to sell all land in Temple Guiting still in their ownership. As part of this, Bidwells would like to hand over a plot of beech, which needs maintenance, to the Parish Council. Exact details of land held are being checked.

Clerk also informed the meeting of two items proposed for the next meeting: 'There, not there' WW1 commemoration plans; and Health & Safety improvements at the allotments.

**Action: Clerk to circulate Health & Safety inspection report among councillors. Clerk to post report of Bidwell's meeting and Clerk's report to the website.**

## 6. Planning

17/0099/CWMAJW Cotswold Hill Quarry. Clerk informed the meeting that Cllr Nigel Moor has also posted objections supporting ours on the planning portal. Correspondence received from Senior Planning Officer Nick Bainton indicates opportunities for further liaison (improved, more transparent monitoring, cumulative Environmental Impact Assessments, wheel washing). **Action: Clerk to maintain contact.**

## 7. Finances

Cllrs noted current balances and approved clerk's wages payment. Council also voted to approve the budget for 2018/19. Chair noted one new item of expenditure in the budget – road safety. **Action: Clerk to issue cheque and to post budget to the website. Clerk also to check reasons for the 4.7% increase in council tax, as precept only increased by 2%. Clerk to amend budget to show funds 'Carried forward' to the new financial year in two sections (1) the amount ringfenced for green projects (received as VAT refund on a previous green energy project). (2) General council funds.**

## 8. Highways

The Chair confirmed that note of the meeting with Highways had been circulated among councillors. Council decided to invite Nigel Moor to the Annual Meeting to present plans for highways and mineral quarrying in the area. Clerk informed Council that an extra £500,000 had been allocated to Gloucestershire's 'Operation Road Rescue' to mend pot holes caused by recent severe weather. **Action: Clerk to invite Cllr Moor to May 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting again.**

Signed

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## 9. Speedwatch update

The Chair informed the meeting that additional resources were being provided under the Community Speedwatch programme. Newly recruited officers will undertake enforcement activities in partnership with the local Community Speedwatch Group and report back to the group. **Action: Clerk to liaise with local Community Speedwatch group to request support from the Enforcement unit.**

## 10. Snow clearance

Council agreed to thank the local snow wardens for the long hours they worked clearing the roads in the recent severe weather. **Action: Chair to offer recognition to J & J Arkell.**

As there was no further business, the Chairman closed the public meeting at 20:10.

**Dates of next Council meetings:** The next meetings of Temple Guiting Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018** in Temple Guiting Village Hall and will comprise the Annual Parish Council Meeting at 7.00 p.m. and the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30 p.m.