

# Minutes of Temple Guiting Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 7.30pm

**Councillors present:** Michael Krier, Val Littlewood, Stephen Gower, Val Brown, Philip Beaver.

**Public:** Two members of the public were in attendance.

**Guest:** Councillor Nigel Moor, FRTPI, FRSA, Gloucestershire County Council, Cotswold District, Stow on the Wold.

1. **Apologies:** Apologies received from Councillors Kate Mather, Rex Bovill
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 meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018 as a true record of the meeting. These were duly signed by the Chairman.
5. **Clerk's report.** The Clerk's report was noted.
6. **Assets.** Councillors noted that the hedges around the allotments needed to be trimmed. This will be carried out by Jimmy Arkell as part of his regular help. The noticeboard at Kinton was in disrepair but will be replaced with a noticeboard in the renovated telephone box.
7. **Planning:** The following applications were considered:  
18/02880/COMPLY Hitchins Farm, samples for ag worker's dwelling. Permitted  
18/02790/FUL Colmans: Demolition of timber bungalow and erection of replacement dwelling. Neutral comments already posted

## 7. **Updates from Cllr Nigel Moor:** **Local Minerals Plan**

Cllr Nigel Moor explained that the Local Minerals Plan would go to the Government for review in October and for public examination in February 2019. He agreed with the points raised in the comments submitted by TGPC (attached) to Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) regarding the plan, adding that any regulations were worthless without enforcement. He also explained that officers may want to overcome local objections before the public examination. Cllr Moor will arrange a meeting with the relevant officers (Robin Drake and Linda Townsend) at the beginning of November, for Temple Guiting Councillors to discuss their concerns with GCC. The meeting will take place at Shire Hall, Cirencester.

## **Quarrying in Temple Guiting parish**

The meeting discussed the two quarry planning applications currently causing concern: [18/0010/CWMAJM](#) Oathill Quarry - Revision of restoration end date and trebling of permitted annual output. Awaiting decision; and [17/0099/CWMAJW](#) Cotswolds Hills Quarry, removal of restrictions on HGV movements and on amount of infill materials. Refused. Appeal has been lodged.

Cllr Moor reported that, other than Temple Guiting Parish Council, no other organisations or individuals had objected to the Oathill application. (Note: 15 objections were received for the Cotswold Hill Quarry application). Possible objections could have been posted by

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Cotswolds Conservation Board (CCB), Cotswolds District Council (CDC), GCC (as a policy objection), Highways, Winchcombe, Cutsdean and Stanway Councils. Cllr Moor will ask the CCB to review its response to the Oathill planning application.

Cllr Beaver emphasised the need for better vehicle washing systems and commented that planning conditions regarding vehicle washing did not seem to be being enforced. Cllr Littlewood was concerned that, if permission was given for larger amounts of extraction, the number of HGV movements would increase leaving more dirt and debris on the roads.

Cllr Gower questioned whether GCC had adequate resources to monitor and enforce infringements of planning conditions and noted that the impact of these applications was being considered in isolation rather than in the context of the other quarries in the locality.

Cllr Moor added that the Development Officer must receive sufficient grounds on which to base an objection to an application, or permission will be granted. Cotswold Hill Quarry has been refused permission to remove the limits on volume of materials and vehicle movements on and off site but has appealed. Cllr Moor recommended Councillors read the comments from Highways regarding these applications. **Action: Clerk to contact other local parish councils to ask for comment on the Minerals Plan and the Oathill application.**

### Highways update from Councillor Nigel Moor

Cllr Moor reported that 45 resurfacing schemes worth £7 million are planned for this year under his authority. Some of these will disrupt local travel. The first of these locally will be on the Fosseyway in Stow, which will be closed 24/7 between 17<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September while a new foul sewer is also installed. Diversions will be in place, including an East – West diversion via Buckle Street. Further details of this and other planned works are available on the Glos Roadworks website: <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-rights-of-way/roads/roadworks>. **Action: Clerk to send details to Temple Guiting School and include in Parish newsletter asap.**

### 9. Update on proposals for ringfenced 'green' funds

Cllr Gower reported on three proposals currently being reviewed, although further ideas will also be welcomed:

\* Education provided by Severn Wye Energy Agency, aimed at improving awareness of energy efficiency measures. CDC covers the cost of these. TGPC could invite other local parishes to take part as 7 – 8 attendees would be required.

\* Acquiring/hiring a thermal imaging scanner (or phone app) which would show areas of maximum heat loss on a building. The service would be provided where requested in the parish, possibly at a cost to the building owner. Winter is the best time for these scans.

\* Sustainability training in reducing energy use and food waste. This course is in the process of being developed locally. Information about resources for improvements would be part of the training.

The possibility of improving the energy efficiency of the village hall was mentioned but the short lease was an obstacle.

**Action: Cllr Gower will update the council again when further information is available.**

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## 10. Phone boxes

The refurbishment of the phone box in Kineton is almost complete, thanks to the efforts of Cllr Gower, Mr G O'Mahoney, Mr M Porcaro and Mr&Mrs Woods. The phone box in Temple Guiting is now ready for painting, thanks to the efforts of Philip Beaver, Peter Shelley and Mr & Mrs Littlewood). Budget (£200 for both boxes) has been exceeded due to the need for extra works. Further works required in Kineton so that a new noticeboard can to be fitted inside the phone box. A replacement light is also required.

## 11. Finances

(a), (b), (c) Current balances, bank reconciliation and budget v actual figures were all noted.

(d) The clerk declined the option of a pension paid by the Council and the Council agreed that none would be provided.

(e) The contents of the internal auditor's report and subsequent actions were noted.

(f) Cheque signing and validation. The following payments were approved and cheques signed:

Cheq no.	Payee	Description	Value
397	M Freeman	Clerk's salary July/August 2018	209.20
398	Praedium Property	Rental of village hall 1/7-31/12 December 2018	50.00
399	X2Connect	Parts for phone box restoration	242.57

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Wednesday 7th November**.

As there was no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:21.

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