

# TEMPLE GUITING PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of Temple Guiting Parish Council Meeting

Held on Wednesday 4th September 2024 at 6.30 pm in the village hall.

**Councillors present:** Kate Mather, Mickey Morrissey, Jayne Ewart-Perks, Samantha Baber-Scovell, Lorna Eays.

**Public:** Six members of the public attended.

**GCC Cllr MacKenzie-Charrington** attended.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Apologies received from Cllrs Gower and Cllr Krier, and CDC Cllr Wilkins in advance.
- 2. Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda (Localism Act 2011):** None.
- 3. Points from the floor: A member of the public asked to address councillors regarding Oathill Quarry.** The Chairman agreed to the discussion a part of agenda item 5.
- 4. Approval of the previous meeting's minutes and signing.** The Council approved the draft minutes and the Chairman agreed to sign the minutes. **Action: Clerk to post to website.**
- 5. Chairman's announcements. The Chairman announced:**
  - The location of the new noticeboard and post box at Ford has been agreed with Royal Mail.
  - Councillors Ewart-Perks and Krier were working on the documents needed to add the path at the Frog on Mill Lane and from Barton bridge to Tinker's Barn to the definitive map by 2031.
  - Highways has added relining the double lines at Ford to the list of scheduled works.
  - Highways has agreed to provide and install a post at Ford strong enough for the new Solar VAS.
  - The report from CDC Cllr Wilkins will be circulated. August saw continued problems with the new waste collection system but these were expected to ease in September.
  - The Clerk will forward GCC Highways regulations regarding trees on private land near a public highway to a resident who asked for details.

The Chairman asked Lucy Binnie from Land and Mineral Planning to speak regarding a future planning application for Oathill Quarry. Ms Binnie told the meeting that Johnston's would be applying for a change to the conditions of restoration which currently apply to Oathill Quarry. A new Environmental Statement would also be provided. This revision was due to Johnson having won the contract to provide walling stone for the A417 'missing link' road, a distance of 8 miles in total. There would be no increase in the number of vehicle movements generated or in the volume of material extracted. The work would run from 2027 to the end of the contract. Both Ms Binnie and Johnson's representative Peter Moden offered to hold a meeting at Oathill to go through the changes with councillors. The Chairman thanked Ms Binnie and Mr Moden for letting the council know. **Action: Councillors to consider a site meeting when they have seen the new application..**

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GCC Councillor Mark MacKenzie-Charrington welcomed the approach by Land and Mineral Planning regarding changes to the restoration plan. In addition to his report the Councillor noted that the road between Little Rissington and Bourton would be closed 24/7 between 16<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> September. The dates of a road closure in Farmcote have been updated to November – January.

Councillor MacKenzie-Charrington announced that he would be able to provide funding of £1500 towards the new VAS. He also noted that GCC's plan to plant 1 million trees by 2030 had already reached 400,000. He asked attendees to let him know of any plots of land which would be suitable for tree planting.

The Chairman and Councillors joined together in thanking Cllr MacKenzie-Charrington for his kind grant towards the cost of the new VAS.

**6. Clerk's report** Councillors noted the contents of the report relating to items 9 ( e ), 10 and 11.

### **7. Training**

Councillors agreed to the training currently organised regarding Biodiversity, village halls, and planning. **Action: Clerk to arrange payment where required.**

### **8. Reports**

\* **20's Plenty - Cllr Baber-Scovell** reported on the webinar she had attended, which contained a number of items which contributed to her view that a 20 mph zone was important in areas where people were using the street. For example, a crash at 30 mph has a similar effect as falling from the 30<sup>th</sup> floor of a building whereas someone involved in a crash with a car travelling at 20 mph was similar to falling from a 1<sup>st</sup> floor window; Noise and traffic incidents were significantly reduced in 20mph zones; driving at a fairly constant 20mph reduced the amount of energy used. Research shows that the majority obeys the reduced speed limit.

A majority of councillors agreed that 20 mph speed limit would be suitable in densely populated areas and near schools and where it was practicable. Cllr Baber-Scovell agreed to report back after the next meeting of the 20's plenty campaign group.

Cllr MacKenzie-Charrington advised the meeting that permission for a 20 mph zone would cost £5 – 10,000 and would take appx 2 years to be given. A compelling case would need to be presented to GCC Highways, including accident data and vehicle usage data (this is available from the VAS equipment). However police would not monitor the area and would only prosecute cases of dangerous driving. **Action: Cllr Baber-Scovell to report vehicle data at the November meeting.**

\* **Neighbourhood Development Planning (NDP)** – Cllr Morrissey noted that many participants were from larger parishes and towns. All use the same process for NDPs but do not necessarily complete all the sections, depending on residents' concerns e.g. Temple Guiting residents may be concerned about housing projects and less interested in developing local businesses. Once approved, NDPs become part of the local plan and planning decisions must 'place great weight' on NDPs. Success depends on local

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consultation. Grants are available to help. However, this is a big undertaking and councillors would need support from residents, especially any familiar with planning.

Cllr MacKenzie-Charrington recommended that TGPC meet up with Bledington PC for further information about their NDP. **Action: Clerk to arrange meeting.**

## 9. Planning

- a. Councillors noted that the application for the New Barn Farm site has still not been decided. **Action: Clerk to monitor CDC planning meetings and inform councillors.**
- b. **Changes to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).** The Chairman advised councillors and residents to take part in the CPRE survey on the proposed changes to the as individuals. The survey can be found [here](#).
- c. **Neighbourhood Development Plan.** Councillors agreed that a Neighbourhood Development Plan could offer benefits for the parish and would represent residents' views to CDC and GCC. Residents' participation is essential if it is to represent local views as well as helping to spread the load of work involved in the project and bringing in new skills such as planning expertise. The first steps for the Working Party would be to survey households and define the area to be covered. **Action: Councillors to recruit at least one other resident each, willing to help with (for example) carrying out the survey of residents' concerns and preferences, or other stages of the Development Plan.**

**10. Highways** - summary of action. Councillors noted that only some of the actions had been completed. **Action: Clerk to continue to remind Highways.**

## 11. Financial position

- a. Councillors noted the balance in the current and saving accounts and the CIL amount.
- b. Councillors approved the reconciliation and the Chairman signed the document.
- c. Councillors approved the following payments:

Chq/Epay	Payee	Description	Value
Epay	M Freeman	Clerk's salary July/August (£178.50 p.mth.)	£357.00
Epay	M Freeman	Arrears due for NALC increase from £12.06 to £13.06 p hr (5 mths x £15)	£75.00
Epay	M Freeman	Land Registry search for Village Hall and rec field	£6.00
Epay	M Freeman	CPRE training	£40.60
Epay	M Freeman	TGPC tax Q1	£7.40
Epay	PATA	Arrears	£6.25

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 19.50.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 6.30 p.m.

Signed .....  
Chairman

6<sup>th</sup> November 2024

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