

CROMHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting – November 2015

Councillors met on Wednesday 11th November 2015 with the following present:-

Mr T Johnson, Mr K White, Mr R Hobbs, Mr D White, Mrs A Gent and Mr S Aston

Also present:- Clerk, 10 Members Public, Ward Member J O'Neill, Rhianon Wakely (SGC) & Matt Lloyd (BT).

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Action</u>
1	<p>APOLOGIES: These were received and accepted from Mr M Line.</p>	
2	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: in any items on agenda: None.</p>	
3	<p>ADOPTION of the MINUTES: of meeting on 14th October 2015. It was proposed by Mr R Hobbs and seconded by Mr S Aston and agreed that the minutes of meeting held 14th October 2015 be signed as a true record.</p>	
4	<p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Rhianon Wakely and Matt Lloyd were welcomed to meeting – after introductions – Matt Lloyd gave a brief overview of the background to 'Broadband Project' and results of where SGC and BT are currently. Phase 1 is now complete and it has been completed on time and under budget. However (as experienced in Cromhall) there are some rural areas that haven't seen the full benefit. Due to money being left over and LA matching this – there will be an extension program (extent of this and how it could benefit Cromhall is unknown at moment). Phase 2 was discussed, local focus being that Tortworth is to be included....RW will be able to let them know when they are able to order superfast from provider. It has been slowed up with the challenge of getting power to the cabinet. There is still money coming through from the government for superfast extension – but it will be unclear until next financial year as to how much and what sort of impact this will have. The floor was opened up and members of public / councillors were able to ask questions. To conclude this session – after nearly an hour – options as at 11/11/15 =</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See how much money is left over from phase 1 and what can be done with it – will this be spent in Cromhall or not • Information on satellite option for residents by end of 2015 • Encourage users not to go wireless in house – but connect direct to modem • Investigate community funded projects via BT or other providers (RW / ML to email further information across) • RW and ML will also look into the cabinet at CowShip Lane and whether capacity issues has been sorted out • As mentioned previously – will have a better idea next financial year <p>The Chairman thanked Matt and Rhianon for their time and asked Members of Public if there were any other issues that they wanted to bring to Councillors attention Public Participation was closed.....</p> <p>There was a query regarding the fence by Green Line Tanks that Wessex Water had put in – if this was going to be a 'more permanent' feature – could PC look at getting a gate installed – as it is pretty dangerous trying to climb over it currently.</p>	<p><i>Clerk to look into</i></p>

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	<p>The Showmans Site was also mentioned – in that now they have chucked a lot of old steel by side of road and it is not only unsightly – but is causing an obstruction to vision when trying to turn out by Chapel.</p> <p><i>As there were no other items public participation was closed....</i></p>	<p><i>Clerk to contact P Enforcement</i></p>
5	<p>MATTERS ARISING: (not covered elsewhere on agenda)</p> <p>The manhole cover issues – Merlin Housing have sorted the one that was on their land out – still awaiting S Glos Council to do the others.</p> <p>Clerk hasn't done an article for 5 Alive yet regarding PROW and keeping dogs on lead – but will.....</p> <p>Mr Johnson has got quote for tree's will go over later.</p>	<p><i>Clerk / TJ to action</i></p>
6	<p>PLANNING APPLICATIONS: The following applications were considered:</p> <p>PT15/3877/F Erection of single storey rear extension to provide additional living accommodation. Gwynys Tortworth Road Cromhall Wotton Under Edge South Gloucestershire GL12 8AE.</p> <p><i>Due to when this had been received – Clerk had been notified that it had been approved prior to meeting. It wasn't a controversial application, so unlikely that there would have been issues.</i></p> <p>PT15/4408/F Erection of two storey side extension to include rear dormer, single storey front, side and rear extension to form additional living accommodation Ingle Glebe Talbots End Cromhall Wotton Under Edge South Gloucestershire GL12 8AJ.</p> <p><i>After due consideration it was resolved that there were no issues with this application.</i></p> <p>PT15/4728/CLE Application for a certificate of lawfulness for the existing stationing of a mobile home and use of land as residential curtilage. Mobile Home Sycamore Farm Stidcot Lane Tytherington Wotton Under Edge South Gloucestershire GL12 8QD.</p> <p><i>After due consideration it was resolved that there were no issues with this application.</i></p>	
7	<p>PLANNING DECISIONS TO NOTE: The following decisions were noted:</p> <p>PT15/3365/F Erection of two storey side and single storey front and rear extension to form additional living accommodation with integral garage. 3 Meadow Road Leyhill Wotton Under Edge South Gloucestershire GL12 8HW. APPROVE WITH CONDITIONS</p> <p>PK15/2110/MW Variation of condition 7 attached to planning permission PT07/0573/F to allow an annual extraction rate of 1.2 million tonnes for a temporary period of two years Wickwar Quarry The Downs Wickwar Wotton Under Edge South Gloucestershire GL12 8LF. APPROVE WITH CONDITIONS</p>	
8	<p>PLANNING OTHER MATTERS:</p> <p>Following reconsultation regarding planning proposals for Royal Oak – the planning officer is anticipating it being put on the circulated schedule – and then it is up to Ward Member John O'Neill to decide whether to call in or not for sites inspection. Outstanding issues are still very much the Clay Oven and impact this will have with regards extraction, etc. and noise / light.</p> <p>Walnut Tree House is subject to another planning enforcement complaint – regarding the work that is being carried out at the front of property.</p> <p>The Showmans site has been written to – informing them that they need to return front of site to grass. John will chase up – as there are other matters here as well as the front of site.</p>	<p><i>John O'Neill to look into</i></p>

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9	<p>TO RECEIVE A PARISH PLAN UPDATE: Clerk gave feedback on the meeting that had been held on 22nd October – this had proved useful and Clerk and Dick Whittington from WERN were in the process of pulling together report and action plan. They were due to meet again in December – with intention of getting draft finished by January’s meeting.</p>	<i>Clerk and DW by Jan 2016</i>
10	<p>TO NOTE CONSULTATIONS FROM SGC: <i>The following consultations were noted – and if comment necessary – this is noted following each consultation below:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post 16 Travel Assistance <i>It was agreed that this was a good idea and that Council should comment accordingly in support.</i> • Draft Waste Strategy <i>Comment not require until New Year on this consultation – plus someone from SGC is happy to come and present to Councillors if need be....therefore defer.</i> • Review of Community Safety and Anti Social Behaviour Team <i>Again this consultation is open until end of year – there is little impact to villages such as Cromhall – BUT councillors will have a look at and decide next month whether to comment.</i> • Modern Records CSP Review <i>It was felt that savings were pretty small and there was some concern over what small parishes would do if they couldn’t access these archives....Clerk to investigate what is stored up there and actual impact.</i> • Positive Activity Funding Consultation <i>Clerk to respond stating that it would be a shame following the withdrawal of Rural Community Youth Work to see further funding cuts.</i> <p>Clerk has also received details regarding the Policies Sites and Places Regulation 18 Consultation and the JSP and JTP consultation. There is to be a briefing at Kingswood at the beginning of December. Clerk to email details to councillors.</p> <p>ACCOUNTS: At end of October 2015 – current balance = £18K approx.</p>	<p><i>Clerk to respond</i></p> <p><i>Clerk to put on future agenda</i></p> <p><i>Clerk to investigate</i></p> <p><i>Clerk to respond</i></p> <p><i>Clerk to email</i></p>
11	Clerks Salary – October 2015 – 40 hours / month @ SCP 21, expenses – mileage – 121 miles.	
12	Payment of £415.25	
13	CRK Garden Manicures £257 + VAT Payment for extra cut September	
14	Donation to 5 Alive £300	
15	Donation to St Peters Hospice £100	
16	Cromhall Media £61.00	
17	HMRC last 6 month £280	
	All of the above payments were proposed by Mr R Hobbs and seconded by Mrs A Gent and approved for payment.	
18	<p>TO CONFIRM BUDGET MEETING: As discussed at last meeting this was set for 2nd December 2015 – and Clerk had asked for the annexe / library part of pub to be made available. 7:30 start.</p>	<i>Clerk / All</i>
19	<p>CORRESPONDENCE: The following items were noted:- Most correspondence of note has been covered off during main meeting: - only other item of note :- Request from parishioner to place skip on ‘The Green’ for a couple of weeks while work being carried out to house garden (no.1 The Green), Future changes to SSCG meetings, Briefing on 1st December 2015 for JSP, JTP and PSP DPD at Kingswood Civic Centre, Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations, future disruption to SGC website and Rough</p>	

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20	<p>Sleepers Annual Survey.</p> <p>REPORTS FROM OTHER MEETINGS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ward Councillor O'Neill – no good news really – the Council Saving Review is ongoing and they are reviewing pretty much everything. Kingswood Civic Centre is likely to be sold. Obviously Falfield are looking at application for 150 houses and park and share scheme....if this comes off it will be the first in SGlos. He mentioned that the Bus Shelter down by Leyhill is on Councils Asset Register – but as they didn't think they owned it – they are looking into ownership. • Village Hall Meeting – nothing to report. • Other Meetings – none attended – nothing to report. 	
21	<p>TOWNWELL PLAY AREA:</p> <p>All okay –tree that was overhanging swing has now been removed and the one that was behind that and overhanging as well – has been trimmed. Councillors don't feel there is a need to remove it at the moment – just see how it goes. Gate still needs to be sorted out and Mr Hobbs needs some more copies of the play area check sheets as down to last couple.</p>	<i>Clerk to speak to Avon Fencing</i>
22	<p>MINOR ITEMS:</p> <p>Mr Johnson ran through the trees / whips / hedges that he has found for both the play area / playing field and Hawkers Knapp. It was agreed that he go ahead with the tree for the play area ASAP as this had been outstanding for a while and that once decided on exactly what needed for Hawkers Knapp to order. He will pay for and be reimbursed. Monies in budgets for both.</p> <p>Clerk to pass on Anita Robertson's details to Mr Johnson so can try and get things moving with regard the gate at Jubilee Lane.</p> <p>As mentioned earlier clerk to try and do some posters and an article for 5 Alive regarding keeping dogs on leads.</p> <p>More information required about the Gas Works, when they will get information out to people incase they want to take up offer of mains gas, if they will come to a meeting.</p> <p>Clerk was passed some photo's regarding inappropriate parking at Townwell. This isn't really a Council matter and residents should inform police on 111 particularly if car is causing an obstruction.</p> <p>Clerk was also given details of Pot Holes. Some of them have been rectified – but not all. Areas of concern still are:- Jubilee Lane, By Milking Parlour, Abbotside, Cromhall Lane by Layby.</p>	<p><i>TJ to action</i></p> <p><i>Clerk to look into</i></p> <p><i>All</i></p> <p><i>Clerk to log</i></p>

As there was no further business meeting was closed at **2145hrs.**

The next Full Parish Council Meeting will be on 13th January 2016 – 7:30pm in Village Hall.

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