

CROMHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 10TH AUGUST 2016 7.30pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL, TALBOTS END CROMHALL

PRESENT: Cllrs K White (KW), D White (DW), Roland Hobbs (RH), Steve Aston (SA) and M Line (ML)

In attendance: Mrs D Dunning (Clerk)

NO. 1. APOLOGIES:

These were received and accepted from Cllr A Gent (AG) and Ward Councillor John O'Neill (JO'N)

NO. 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: in any items on agenda:

There were no declarations of interest

NO. 3. ADOPTION of the MINUTES:

Minutes of the meeting on 13th July 2016 were accepted as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

NO. 4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

No members present

NO. 5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

None

No. 6. AGENDA ITEMS

6a. To consider next steps in response to the request for parking at The Green.

Land is not registered. It is understood that The Green was not fenced until the 1950's and fencing may not follow the boundary. Council agreed next step was to contact Tortworth Estate.

Action: Clerk to write to Tortworth Estate.

6b. To approve updated Village Plan layout and content

Meeting approved new layout and extended content. This document should be viewed as a high level survey. Councillors to inform clerk of any errors by Monday 15th August. Clerk to get new quote from Manor Printing and subject to approval by councillors arrange the printing of this document.

Action: Councillors to check document for errors and inform clerk.

Clerk to action printing as agreed above.

6c. Fairground site update.

John O'Neill had advised by email that the new enforcement officer was visiting the site.

6d. Update on wall by Royal Oak.

Whilst land registry documents do not clarify ownership, it is believed that when the original land was purchased some years ago by the pub it included the wall, which the current owners of the Royal Oak are happy to assume ownership.

Action: clerk to contact John O'Neill for advice.

6e. To re- consider gates at entrance to village

Council believes the original information was obtained via email, Councillor Line to check his emails for any information.

Action: Cllr Line to send any information to clerk.

6f. Omitted from agenda

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6g To review content of monthly article in 5 Alive

Meeting agreed this is a good communication method and the length of the monthly article will depend on news.

6h To approve co-option to council

Council approved co-option of Daren Jeffery.

Action: clerk to write to Daren Jeffery

NO. 7. CORRESPONDENCE

7a To consider South Gloucestershire Special Expenses Scheme 2016 Consultation with Parish/Town Councils and respond to questionnaire

Noted

7b. To consider response to South Gloucestershire Council, along with Bristol and Bath & North East Somerset consultation on the creation of a new West of England Mayoral Combined Authority (MCA).

Concerns were raised over mayoral power, potential loss of involvement in local planning and whether South Gloucestershire council could become a less influential partner.

Action. Cllr K White to respond to consultation

7c. To consider the proposed South Gloucestershire Local Plan, Proposed Submission: Policies, Sites and Places Plan - Regulation 19 Consultation submission before the PSP Plan is submitted for independent examination by a government appointed Planning Inspector.

Noted

7d. To consider South Gloucestershire Council's review of Public Health & Well-Being Services.

Noted

7e. Request to use playing fields for wedding car parking

Council agreed in principle to use of field providing parking is at own risk, is managed and any damage is repaired. Cllr Aston has key and will be the liaison point. Council approved production of a 'use of fields conditions' agreement which will be issued with requests.

Action: Cllr K White to circulate draft agreement for approval. Clerk to respond to email and send Cllr Aston's contact details.

NO. 8 REPORTS

8a To RECEIVE Report from District Councillor

None

8b Report from the Clerk

Actions from last meeting:

Working with John O'Neill regarding land ownership at the Green as agreed last meeting 7d

Submitted planning comments as agreed at last meeting 5c

Written to Cromhall Media regarding website 6b

Re-written village plan survey document 6f

Submitted object to closure of Tunberries as agree last meeting 7f

Written to contractor regarding grass cutting at Townwell play area 8c

Written to school to confirm 50% payment for grass cutting of playing fields as agreed last meeting 9b

Raised email concerns from residents about speeding

Council confirmed they continue to work with John O'Neill and SGC to address speeding issues. The results of an investigation scheme to reduce the speed on the western approach to Cromhall (from Charfield direction) from 50mph to 40mph are awaited. The parish council has asked for more speed limit signage but

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unfortunately SGC Highways department has stated that 30mph repeater signage is not required where there is a system of street lighting in place but simply terminal signs to indicate the start and end or change to a speed limit. Speeding assessments in Cromhall have ensured a continued Police enforcement camera presence, indeed the speed camera was in the village last week. In addition, there is a parish council representative on the Community Engagement Forum for Charfield, Cromhall, Tortworth, Falfield, Rangeworthy, Wickwar, Cotswold Edge north and west of A46 where speeding matters are regularly discussed.

Action: clerk to respond to residents

8c To RECEIVE report on Townwell play area

Grass cutting has improved although Cllr Hobbs has had to remind contractor to clear grass cuttings. The 'No ball games' sign has been broken. Council agreed to investigate the cost of new signage. Litter and adults smoking in the play area have been reported.

Action: clerk to get prices for No ball games/no smoking signs

NO. 9. FINANCE

9a To AGREE and sign cheques The following cheques were agreed and signed.

Bank reconciliation									
Balance in bank at 29/6/16									£19,425.81
				IN	OUT	TOTAL			
			Income June	£100		£100.00			
			chqs cleared July		£902.68	£902.68			
			Charges NatWest		£6.50	£6.50			
				£100	£909.18				
balance in bank as at 31/7/16									£18,616.63
Cheques for signing on 10th August 2016									
				Net	Travel	Expenses	VAT	Total	
CRK Garden Manicures	1320	Grass cutting no 1652 July	£262.86	£0.00	£0.00	£52.57		£315.43	Highways Act 1980 s96
HMRC	1323	Tax for July	£76.60	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00		£76.60	LGA 1972 s112(2)
Daphne Dunning	1322	Salary July & expenses	£306.44	£20.52	£98.40	£18.33		£443.69	LGA 1972 s112(2)
ST Andrew's CEVC Primary School	1324	Grant for After School club	£500.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00		£500.00	LGA 1972 S137

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Loxley	1325	Lease for playing field from Tortworth Estate and land registry fees	£221.00	£0.00	£0.00	£35.00	£256.00		LG(MP)A 1976 S19(3)	
							£1,591.72			
		Balance in account after above expenses						£17,024.91		

No 10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Speeding and gates at entrance to village, visibility at Longcross, grass contract & bank signatories

Date of next meeting: The next Full Parish Council Meeting will be on 14th September 2016 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Talbots End, Cromhall.

The Council meeting closed at **2100hrs.**

Daphne Dunning

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CHAIRMAN:-

14th September 2016