**NORTH NIBLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

# Parish Council Meeting - Minutes

Recorded by:  Mandy Rossiter - Clerk

Date: 6th March 2023

Meeting Commenced: 19:15

Meeting ended: 21:15

Present:

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| **Parish Councillors:** | Dave Palmer (Chairman)  Liesl Smith  Lisa Carr  Les Smitherman  John Hay  Keith Larkin |
| **District Councillors:** | Catherine Braun, Ken Tucker, George James |
| **County Councillor:** | Linda Cohen |
| **Clerk:** | Mandy Rossiter |
| **Other:** | Three Members of Public (MoP) |
| **NOTE:** | The council were unable to live stream this meeting |

**Agenda Items**

1. To receive and accept any apologies for absence

There were none

1. To invite and receive any declarations of interest

There were none

1. To receive and approve the minutes of the council’s February 2023 meeting

(Previous minutes are available to view on the Parish Council website)

Minutes were agreed and signed by chair

1. Meeting for public discussion and questions

Representatives from St. Martin’s Church, Churches together, North Nibley Recreation Field Trust and North Nibley CofE school governors attended the meeting to discuss the plans for a community event to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III as per item 10 of the agenda. There were numerous suggestions for catering and activities, however a steering group is required to make this happen.

1. The Council to receive the following reports:
   1. Written report from district councillors

Cllrs confirmed they had read the report.

Cllr Braun added that following a Green Party publication, she had received a letter from Royal Mail explaining reasons for some of the rural post box removals letter. Following a discussion on the inaccuracy of the reasons given by Royal Main, Cllr Braun agreed to present a case to Royal Mail to reinstall the Waterley Bottom post box.

Councillors thanked the District Councillors for their report and Cllr Braun for her support with the post box.

* 1. Written report from county councillor

The following issues were highlighted from County Councillor Cohen’s report:

Reduction of bus services – Clerk to add petition to On The Edge and provide printed copies to have in key community areas.

Lengthsman work – Cllrs to send wish list of works to Cllr Cohen.

Speed Monitoring – Following a recent accident at Bournstream, speed monitoring is happening urgently. Signs should be in situ soon encouraging speeders to slow down

Chair thanked councillors for their reports

1. To consider and comment on the following planning applications, enforcement notices and appeals:
   1. S.23/0375/HHOLD | Single storey extension. | Rowan Cottage Warren Hill North Nibley Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6EE

The council considered the application and resolved to make no comment

* 1. S.23/0311/AFPA | Erection of fodder store | Streamleaze Farm Canons Court Bradley Green Wotton-Under-Edge Gloucestershire GL12 7PN

The Council considered this application and resolved to request that the Biodiversity Requirement of inspectors report should be obtained before a decision is made.

* 1. S.23/0266/FUL | Erection of single storey building. (Resubmission of S.22/0255/FUL) | The Round House Whiteway Hill Woodmancote Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6AD

The Council considered this application and resolved to request that should the planning officers be minded to approve this application it should be subject to a condition that the building is ancillary to the existing property and not to be used as a separate dwelling.

* 1. S.23/0289/AFPA | Agricultural storage building | Brookside Farm Waterley Bottom North Nibley Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6EF

The Council considered the above application including comments which had been forwarded to Cllr Palmer by a local resident. The council resolved to object to the application on the following grounds:

1. The case has not been made for the need for this additional barn as being essential to the agricultural needs of this small agricultural holding. It would therefore conflict with local plan policy CP15.
2. The siting of a third barn in this location would adversely affect the character and landscape quality of the area situated within the Cotswolds AONB in contravention of local plan policy ES7.
3. There is no environmental report to examine the biodiversity impact of the proposal
4. To note the following decisions on planning applications, enforcement notices and appeals:
   1. S.22/1174/CPE | Certificate of Lawful Development for confirmation of land and garage have been in residential use for more than 10 years. | Galloway Cottage Waterley Bottom North Nibley Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6EF – Application Refused
   2. S.22/2344/LBC | Proposed replacement windows. Revised details received. | Bed And Breakfast Accommodation Forthay Forthay North Nibley Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6EA – Application Approved
   3. S.22/2567/HHOLD | Restoration & renovation and the rebuilding of existing single storey link addition. | Parkers Lodge Stancombe Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6AY – Application Withdrawn

* 1. APP/C1625/W/22/3306127 Land at Millend, North Nibley, Gloucestershire GL11 6EF – Appeal Dismissed
  2. S.22/2690/FUL | Change of use of agricultural land to private equestrian land (Sui Generis), and erection of stables with associated storage. (description amended 06.02.2023) | Waterley Bottom Cottage Waterley Bottom North Nibley Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6EF – Application Permitted
  3. S.22/2568/LBC | Restoration & renovation and the rebuilding of existing single storey link addition. | Parkers Lodge Stancombe Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6AY – Application withdrawn

1. To note receipt of Clerk’s written report on ongoing matters from previous meetings and agree any further actions

Cllrs confirmed they had viewed the report and noted actions which had been completed

1. To note receipt of Clerk’s written report on any matters arising from correspondence received/sent which are not covered by agenda items

Cllrs confirmed they had viewed the report, there were no further comments

1. To discuss plans for the King’s Coronation village event and agree actions

It was agreed that any event organised should take place on the 7th May from 1pm until 5pm. As per public discussion at item 4, Clerk to advertise for support and involvement in On the Edge, Facebook and Noticeboards. Final arrangements can be discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting in April

1. To reassign projects and responsibilities following resignation of Cllr Andrews

Clerk to share list of responsibilities and current progress on projects with the council via email for redistribution amongst members

1. To consider using a payroll administrator and agree next steps

The council agreed to delegate authority to instruct an administrator to clerk, subject to a review of quotes via email.

1. To consider signage to deter HGVs from using the smaller roads/lanes within the parish

Clerk reported an incident where an articulated lorry had got stuck in Binley Lane and caused damage to trees and verges. It was agreed that Clerk should approach Highways to request signage to be put in place as a deterrent to HGVs. Clerk to also ask Highways to clear dangerous trees. It was suggested that the Clerk reports the lorry to VOSA.

1. Parish council finances
2. To review and agree payments on the attached payment schedule (appendix 1)

All agreed

1. To note receipt of any payments in (appendix 1)

None to report

1. To receive and approve written cemetery report from Burial Clerk and agree any actions/requests

The council reviewed the report and agreed the following:

Request for Oak Cross – Agreed

Request for Headstone – Agreed

Request to remove bronze plaque – Agreed with the following terms:

The plaque must be removed by professional stonemason, at the cost of the applicant and any damage should be rectified at no cost to the parish council. Burial clerk to fee for the administration work in line with standard fees to erect a new plaque (between £15 - £25)

The council thanked Jean for her report

1. To receive verbal reports from parish councillors (including risk assessments)

Cllr Hay - Churchyard Clearance very successful thanks to everyone involved. Clerk will post a report in On The Edge.

Cllr Smith – Attending Village Hall AGM meeting this week will report next month

1. To agree date of next Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Council Meeting

It was agreed that the APM would be held on the 17th April and the Annual Meeting of the Council will be held before the May general meeting on 15th May.

1. To note that the next General Meeting of the council will be on the 3rd April 2023

Noted

1. To discuss staff matter in confidence (This item will be closed to public and press)

A conversation took place relating to Clerks terms of employment. Clerk to make necessary enquiries and report back to council.

Signed:  Mandy Rossiter, Clerk                        Date: 8th March 2023