



**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 14TH MARCH 2023**

Present: **Cllr Lipscombe-Kettel** **Cllr Foxall** **Cllr Roberts**
 Cllr Thornhill **Cllr Stroud** **Cllr Sanford**
 Cllr Harrison **Cllr Boulton** **Cllr Shankland**

In attendance: Roz Morton (Clerks), District Cllr Trotter, County Cllr Morris (part), I MOP.

- 204 22/23 To receive and accept apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllr Lafford, Cllr O’Connell and Cllr Doherty and were accepted.
- 205 22/23 Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda**
Cllr Roberts declared a personal interest in item 224.
- 206 22/23 To approve the Minutes of the Full council meeting held on the 14th February 2023**
It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 14th February 2023 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings. Proposed Cllr Foxall, seconded Cllr Thornhill – 8 in favour, 2 abstentions.
- 207 22/23 Clerks’/Chairman’s report –**
The Clerk reported that a request for nominations for the annual citizen awards has been publicised.
- 208 22/23 To agree to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation – there is a 10-minute time limit) if members of the public are present. N/A**
- 209 22/23 To agree to reconvene the meeting following Public Participation, if applicable. N/A**
- 210 22/23 Chairman’s Announcements**
Cllr Boulton announced the death of Cllr Ray Theodoulou and passed the floor to Cllr Steve Trotter who gave a short tribute. The late Cllr Theodoulou was commended to the Council as a great supporter of the community. He will be sadly missed.
- 211 22/23 To consider correspondence received (for information only emailed).** Noted without comment.
- It was **RESOLVED** to take items 214 and 228 In Camera, proposed Cllr Boulton, seconded Cllr Foxall, All in Favour.
- 212 22/23 To receive report from District Councillor/County Councillors (e-mailed)**
County Cllr Morris reported on the following:
- A useful meeting with FTC on the Transport plan and he highlighted the need for the projects to be prioritised.
 - A suggestion to convene a multi-agency meeting with GCC, CDC, FTC, LEP to discuss the regeneration of the Market Place and available funding streams.
 - A commitment from Cllr Morris to cover the cost of the Steam Rally road closure.

- An ambition to create a “Cluster Quarry Group” to look at ways to get funding from quarries to help maintain the roads near their sites.
- Cllr Roberts reminded Cllr Morris of promise Glos Highways made at the RIAT briefing in 2022. to fix the potholes on C124.

District Cllr Trotter reported the latest update on the multi-use path. A report was circulated. He is talking to CDC regarding putting in a bid for CIL monies to fund part of the southern route of the multi-use path. A list of landowners for the northern route has been drawn up and meetings will be arranged.

District Cllr Andrews circulated a report prior to the meeting which will be filed with these Minutes.

Cllr Morris left the meeting.

213 22/23 To receive other reports: -

Project Working Groups: -

- **Skate Park Project** – see item 228
- **Community Building** – Nothing of note to report.
- **Transport Plan** – an updated plan will be made available, Cllr Shankland reported on the meeting with Glos Highways & Cllr Morris. To note – a meeting with the TRO team to move this project forward will be arranged by Dan Tiffney in due course.

ACTION: Clerk to add bollards on Park Street, parking issue at Gas Lane, erosion of verge on Cirencester Road to the Transport Plan.

- **Fairford to Lechlade Path** – see above report from Cllr Trotter. Cllr Thornhill circulated a meeting note.
- **Town Team** – Cllr Foxall reported that the team had met a couple of times and have started to formulate some ideas for actions. A more defined plan will be created in due course.

214 22/23 To consider and agree Heads of Terms for the Burial Ground and for the Coln House School Playing Field – item taken In camera.

FINANCE

215 22/23 To receive a report from the Chair of the Finance Committee.

No report was available.

216 22/23 To approve retrospectively payments for February 2023

It was RESOLVED to approve the payments, proposed Cllr Foxall, seconded Cllr Boulton, all in favour.

217 22/23 To consider and agree Reconciliation Report end February 2023

It was RESOLVED to approve the reconciliation report, proposed Cllr Foxall, seconded Cllr Lipscombe-Kettel, all in favour.

218 22/23 To receive Income & Expenditure figures end February 2023.

Received without comment.

219 22/23 To consider and agree EMR’s for 2023/24 as recommended by Finance Committee.

It was RESOLVED to approve the EMS as recommended, proposed Cllr Foxall, seconded Cllr Sanford, all in favour.

PLANNING

220 22/23 To receive the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 21st February 2023 and 7th March (unapproved).

21st Feb Minutes were received without comment. There was no Planning meeting on 7th March.

221 22/23 To receive report from Chair of Planning.

Cllr Harrison circulated a report which covered the following points:

- A large number of non-householder applications are still held up awaiting agreement of the Mitigation Scheme for the SAC at North Meadow, Cricklade
- There have been few new applications – mainly tree works, which Marcus has dealt with excellently.
- We have objected to the proposed development of 100 houses and a care home at the Wern, in support of Lechlade Town Council, as detailed in the Minutes.
- We have responded to National Consultation on Levelling Up and NPPF changes, which are supportive of Neighbourhood Planning.
- This is also relevant to our response to CDC consultation on Local Plan Non-Strategic Site Allocations Methodology – Due to be submitted by this Thursday.
- The uncertainty about which versions of the Planning Scheme of Delegation apply and the effect of this on the CDC Planning Protocol remains unresolved. It was clear at the Parish Councils' Forum with Joe Harris last week that the Development Management process is not working satisfactorily as far as Parish Councils are concerned. If there are not enough Publica staff with adequate expertise and local knowledge, more use needs to be made of the knowledge of Parish and Town Councils, supplemented by appropriate training where necessary, to avoid more decisions which cause harm to local communities. It is a statutory requirement that the views of Parish and Town Councils must be taken into account.

WORKS & EVENTS

222 22/23 To receive the Minutes of the Works & Events Committee meeting held on the 28th February 2023 (unapproved).

Received without comment.

223 22/23 To receive a report from the Chair of the Works & Events Committee.

No report was available.

224 22/23 To note agreement from W & E Committee to allocate a grant of £1000 to the Steam Rally from the 2022/23 Tourism budget.

Noted without comment.

ACTION: Clerk to contact Steam rally to let them know and get bank details.

225 22/23 To consider and agree rota for helping with set up and clear up on Sunday 7th May & Monday 8th May.

Cllrs Thornhill, Stroud, Foxall & Lipscombe-Kettel agreed to help on the day.

226 22/23 To note correspondence regarding Electric Vehicle Charge points (e-mailed 9/3/2023). Noted.

ACTION: Clerk to ascertain the rate of charge available at the points.

OTHER MATTERS

227 22/23 To consider and agree whether to re-apply to register land behind the bus shelter on Milton Street.

It was RESOLVED to apply to register the land. Proposed Cllr Thornhill, seconded Cllr Foxall, all in favour.

ACTION: Clerk to make the application via Land Registry.

228 22/23 To consider and agree to change current leasing arrangements of parts of the Walnut Tree Field (playground & skate ramp) to entirety of the field excluding the area leased to the Tennis club. - item taken In Camera.

- 229 22/23 To consider and agree date of Annual Town Meeting.**
It was agreed to ascertain when the RIAT briefing is, to ensure the dates do not conflict and then agree the date by email.

ACTION: Clerk to check dates and room availability and circulate options.

- 230 22/23 Anything the Chair considers urgent.**
The beech hedge on the boundary of the new burial ground must be planted before the end of March. Two quotes were received. The Council RESOLVED to award to work to Willow Garden Services. Proposed Cllr Foxall, seconded Cllr Stroud, all in favour.

ACTION: Clerk to contact WGS to agree a start date.

ACTION: Clerk to notify ECT of dates and agree access to the park.

- 231 22/23 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 11th April 2023**

In camera

- 214 22/23 To consider and agree Heads of Terms for the Burial Ground and for the Coln House School Playing Field –**

- 228 22/23 To consider and agree to change current leasing arrangements of parts of the Walnut Tree Field (playground & skate ramp) to entirety of the field excluding the area leased to the Tennis club.**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm.

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