

Upper Rissington Parish Council

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CONFIRMED Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on Monday 7th January 2013 at Upper Rissington Village Hall

Present: Cllr Harrison, Cllr Flint, Cllr Timms, Cllr Arnell, Cllr Barber, Cllr Laird and Helen Parry (Clerk/RFO)

In Attendance: Councillor Venetia Crosby-Dawson and 12 members of the public.

Action

1. **Apologies:** Nil.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** There were no interests declared.
3. **Minutes:** The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd December 2012 were confirmed.
4. **Matters Arising:**
 - 1) The removal of the unauthorised shed at 22 Sopwith Road was ongoing with the CDC planning officer.
 - 2) Winter Preparation: Unadopted Roads would be cleared by the developers after the business park had been cleared. Grit Bins levels had been notified to the clerk who was to monitoring the weather to assess top up requirements.
 - 3) Aikido: The clerk had informed the Aikido Club of the reduced rates for hire of the village hall, who in turn, passed on their thanks to the council.
 - 4) Replacement Trees: The clerk had sent an e-mail to the CDC Tree Officer requesting a meeting; however, there had been no reply as yet.
5. **Public session:** No comments made.
6. **District/County Councillors Reports:** Cllr Crosby-Dawson had no specific update, but would add to the discussion at Items 7 & 8.
7. **Planning:**
 - (1) To discuss the following planning applications:
 - 12/05220/FUL:** Installation of a 20m high lightweight lattice mast with 6 No. Equipment cabinets and ancillary equipment. No Objection, however the council wished to inform the Planning Officer that a new School was to be built within 0.3miles of the proposed application.
 - 12/03896/REM:** Additional 10 parking spaces for the new Community Centre. No Objection. This would be able to be discussed more fully in the development of the design of the building.
 - 12/03810/REM:** Erection of 368 Dwellings, Revised Landscape and Biodiversity Strategy. One of the Attenuation Ponds had been removed from the application and a path/cycle way would remain open from the end of Dodd Drive to the back of the Officers Mess. There were still concerns over the safety of the remaining Attenuation Pond.
 - (2) The council noted the following planning decisions:
 - 12/05244/DD:** 7 Smith Barry Crescent, Upper Rissington –Fell Rowan Tree – **No Objection.**
 - 12/04478/FUL:** 26 Sopwith Road, Upper Rissington – Erection of Detached Garage – **Application Permitted.**
8. **CDC Planning Committee Meeting – 9th Jan 2013.** It was agreed that the Chairman would represent the Parish Council at the meeting and voice the concerns felt over the planning application for 368 Dwellings. Cllr Crosby-Dawson advised the meeting that Highways were now recommending approval of the application. There were still concerns over the lack of information about the new Village Square as it was felt that this would

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have an impact on the road layout in the future. The Parish Council Statement that was to be made to the Planning Committee is attached to the minutes for information.

9. **Update from Bovis/Linden:** No update had been received.
10. **Lines of Communication with Bovis/Linden During Construction:** It was considered to be a little early to discuss in detail what would be need when construction started. However, the council agreed that nominated volunteers would be needed to act as liaison with the developers.
11. **Training Course for New Councillors:** The council agreed that Cllr Barber could attend the training course and that funds were to be transferred from the Contingency Fund to cover the cost. Clerk
12. **Village Hall Rental:** The council agreed that CUR:ve would not pay for hire of the Village Hall for the Sunday Cafe from February 2013. This was to be reviewed periodically. Clerk
13. **Jubilee Garden:** The plan and display case had been completed and was ready to be erected. There was concern over one resident parking on the grass area to the side of the parking area by the Jubilee Garden and it was agreed that the clerk would write to the individual to ask him to not park on the grass. Clerk
14. **Steering Group:** No Update.
15. **Social Committee:** Nothing to update on.
16. **Finance:**
 - (1) **Grant to Cotswold Volunteers:** The clerk was to ask for clarification on whether any residents used the service provided by this group and it would be discussed at the next meeting. Clerk
 - (2) **Precept:** The council agreed to freeze the precept at the current level for the 4th year. It was agreed to budget for an increase in the cleaners and clerks hours (cleaner 1hr, clerk 3hrs a week) for FY 2013/14 to be used when necessary. Any increase in wages would come from General Reserves. The clerk was to inform CDC of the agreed Precept request for Upper Rissington. Clerk
 - (3) **Reserves from Grass Cutting Contract:** The Council agreed to place any funds remaining from the 2012 Grass Cutting Budget into General Reserves.
 - (4) Following a summary of the finances the Parish Council signed the cheques presented by the RFO (copy available).
17. **Progress Reports:**
 - 1) **Reports from Councillors:**
 - a) Cllr Flint advised that some labelling of street lights had been carried out by the developer on the unadopted roads, as they continue to repair these lights; she would continue to monitor the progress of the repairs.
 - 2) **Reports from the Clerk:** Highways had erected a Dead-End Road Sign on Sopwith Road.
18. **Correspondence for Information:** The clerk passed round an End of Year Report from Young Gloucestershire for information.
19. **Items for future agenda:** The following items are to be on the agenda of the next Parish Council meeting:
 - 1) Grant Application from Cotswold Volunteers.
 - 2) Opening up of footpaths to and from the village.
 - 3) Signage on the A424 to “The Rissingtons”.
 - 4) Update on the removal of the old Brown USAF road signs where new signs have been

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erected.

- 5) To discuss a possible location for a Youth Shelter and/or a small skateboard area in the village.
18. **Date of next meeting:** To confirm that the next meeting will be held on Monday 4th February 2013 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

D. H. Horwin

Chair's Signature:

Date: 4th February 2013