

Upper Rissington Parish Council

Minutes of Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting

held on Monday 10 December 2018, 7:30 pm at Upper Rissington Village Hall

Councillors present: Matthew Barley, Bob Hazard, and Amos Peek (Chairman)

In attendance: Pauline Rigby (Clerk) and 8 members of the public

1. **Apologies:** Councillor Dawn Laird was absent. Ward Councillor Mark MacKenzie-Charrington and County Councillor Nigel Moor sent their apologies.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest or applications for dispensation.
3. **Public session:** The following questions and comments were received:
 - At the public meeting on 28 September 2017, the community voted unanimously that they would like the development completed in accordance with the original 2013 plans.
 - The public open spaces should have been completed before occupation of the last 2 houses.
 - Houses have been built too close to the LPG tanks, which are only just below the limit for the COMAH [Control of Major Accident Hazards] Regulations.
 - The recommendation is to approve the application, but heavily conditioned. Our concern is that Cotswold District Council doesn't enforce the conditions.
 - The peer review of the contamination remediation work takes place afterwards; what happens if the developer has already left the site?
4. **Planning:** Councillors considered the Parish Council's representation to the planning committee meeting on 12 December, in respect of application 17/04151/FUL for the public open spaces. It was **resolved** to suspend standing orders to allow the public to contribute.

After a lively discussion it was **resolved** to include the following points:

- The developer is in breach of the S106 agreement, as all the homes are now occupied, and Cotswold District Council has not taken enforcement action.
- Contamination issues remain a concern; 11,000 cubic metres of contaminated material has been identified, but only evidence for 250 tonnes being removed to landfill.
- The community would like to see the public open spaces completed in accordance with the approved 2013 plans, as agreed at the public meeting on 28 September 2017.
- Footpaths and play provision have been downgraded. Hoggin paths around the site are already proving unsuitable, especially on heavily used routes.
- Under the terms of the S106 agreement, the public open spaces are due to be offered to the Parish Council, which needs assurances that the contamination issues will be resolved.

The Clerk was asked to type up and finalise the response in consultation with the Chairman.

The meeting was suspended while the Chairman had an informal conversation, then resumed.

In a recent communication, the case officer had asked whether the Council would prefer to see a multi-use games area (MUGA) or skate park on South Field. Councillors consider that a MUGA would be more inclusive and more popular with residents, and **resolved** to add this point to the representation to the planning committee.

5. **Date and Time of Next Meeting(s):** Wednesday 19 December 2018, 7:30pm.

The meeting closed at 8:45 pm.

Signature of Chairman upon approval of the Minutes 16 January 2019

Copies to:

County Councillor Nigel Moor

District Councillor Mark Mackenzie-Charrington