

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF REDMARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Redmarley Parish Council held on Wednesday 20th March 2024 at 7pm in Redmarley Village Hall

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Jeff Wheeler (Chair), Cllr Mark Johnson Cllr Mike Holtom, Cllr Josh Wheeler, Cllr Neil Goodall and Cllr Vicky Goodall (arrived at 7.59pm due to work commitments).

In Attendance: Leo Williams (Clerk), District Cllr Clayton Williams (CW) and up to nine members of the public (MoP). The meeting started at 7.01pm.

100. Apologies for Absence

Received from County Cllr Gill Moseley and District Cllr Philip Burford.

101. **Declarations of Interest**

None.

102. Minutes of previous meeting(s)

The minutes of the meeting held on 24th January 2024 were accepted and were signed by the chair.

103. Public Consultation

MoPs raised the following matters: (i) Recent flooding causing problems for road users near the Glynchbrook bridge off the A417.

(ii) Signs for the playpark and the border round the memorial appear to have been forgotten. **Action:** The chairman will investigate.

104. **District Councillor Reports**

104.1 Not available.

104.2 CW advised that he continues to push for changes to the A417 near Maisemore and has pressed Mark Harper MP for his view on the recent Black Box development proposals. He added that resurfacing had taken place on Ashleworth to Hartpury road.

105. County Councillor Report

Not Available.

106. Action Tracker

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Members accepted the updated version. Relevant updates are as follows: **14/59.1.** AED Power Supply, Lowbands. Solar solutions appear to be costly but a cheap and simple alternative was suggested and will be explored.

16/59.4 War Memorial Cleaning. The clerk advised that quotes were in and seemed expensive, one particularly so. On the recommendation of another

clerk he has requested an additional quote from elsewhere. Once received he will submit the grant application.

19/96 Hill Ford Stages Event. Under consideration. Item 108 refers.

107. Planning

107.1 Planning Responses

To discuss planning applications in the Parish and agree to any comments.

P1669/23/FUL Barn Cottage May Farm Pendock Road Redmarley GL19 3LG. Erection of two storey extension with associated works. There were no objections.

107.2 Planning Updates

To note the following decisions of Forest of Dean District Council.

- (i) P1114/23. Rock Farm, Redmarley, GL19 3NA. Creation of a gated entranceway to field. Consent **Granted** on 12th March 2024.
- (ii) P0001/24/FUL Orchard House, Drury, Lane, Redmarley, GL19 3JX. Replacement of existing porch Consent **Granted** on 19th February 2024.
- (iii) P0147/24/TCA7 Little Green Redmarley Gloucestershire GL19 3LQ Large Ash situated on front boundary, reduce large low side stem over road by approximately 50% by thinning and shortening. Further large branch over road extending towards garage building opposite, reduce by approximately one third by thinning. Large limb in upper canopy overhanging garden, cavity at base of limb, reduce by 50% to reduce leverage and risk of collapse. Remove major dead wood from throughout crown; check upper canopy and remove any further broken or fractured branches. Consent **Granted** on 29th February 2024.
- **(iv)** P1651/23/AG Blackford Mill Farm, Pendock Road, Redmarley, GL19 3LG. Prior notification for the erection of an agricultural building for farm machinery and fertiliser storage. Decided, **Approved** on 1st February 2024.
- (v) P1640/23/FUL The Rock Farm, Bromsberrow Road, Redmarley, GL19 3NA. Change of use of outbuilding to holiday let. Consent **Granted** on 6th February 2024.
- (vi) P0294/23/FUL Scotch Thistle, The Lottery Redmarley GL19 3HU. Proposed dormer extension to rear elevation with associated works. Consent **Granted** on 30th January 2024.
- (vii) P1700/23/TPO Land east of Drury Lane, Redmarley (also known as Leasow). Undertake the following work to a mature Horse Chestnut tree covered by W3 of DFTPO 210 (marked as T1 on sketchplan). Remove dead wood and damaged limbs and undertake a minor sensitive canopy this no greater than 15% to sound wood. Consent **Granted** on 25th January 2024.
- (viii) P1634/23/FUL Hazeldine Cottage, Bromsberrow Road, Redmarley, GL19 3JU. Erection of a detached office and store in the garden and associated works. Consent **Granted** on 31st January 2024.

(ix) P1481/23/FUL Orchard House, Drury Lane, Redmarley, GL19 3JX. Erection of a low level wall and entrance gates with associated works. Consent **Granted** on 24th January 2024.

107.3 **Planning Appeals**

None.

107.4 Black Box Planning

It was agreed that the council would not be engaging with the so called Glynchbrook proposal, as stated in an open latter that had been widely shared. Action: Clerk will contact Black Box Planning and FoDDC Planning to reiterate this position.

107.5 AGLV Update

Cllr. Johnson provided an update: Areas of Great Landscape Value have been replaced by Locally Valued Landscapes. LVL's may set policy in the Local Plan for that area. Cllr. Johnson's report refers. **Action:** To formally request a meeting with FoDDC Forward Planning Officer, Lisa-Marie Robson.

107.6 Planning FoDDC Departmental Scrutiny

It was already accepted that Cllr Josh Wheeler's report in respect of the FoDDC's Planning could be finally agreed by email. The recent Black Box Planning publication necessitates an additional comment which he will circulate prior to submission.

108. Motorsport Event

Representatives from the Hill Ford Stages event team attended and spoke at the invitation of the chairman and attempted to address a number of concerns that had been raised by the council. Cllr Johnson insisted that all meaningful dialogue regarding areas of concern had to be in written form to ensure there was an evidence trail. It was **agreed** that the organisers will explain how concerns will be address in writing and all RPC responses will be timely and written form with Cllr Josh Wheeler taking the lead.

109. **MUGA Request**

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After due consideration it was **resolved** to permit the organised use of the MUGA by Sportily for the benefit of local children. This permission will be effective for two months from this date and will be subject to a review at the May meeting.

110. Highways Issues

110.1 Road Safety and Signage

- (i) The missing Flood sign, mentioned previously, is on order and is expected to arrive in April.
- (ii) The missing signs in Lowbands have been reinstated.
- (iii) Cllr. Johnson shared a report regarding Traffic Safety Measures and Quiet Lanes. The clerk advised that the project could be formally adopted at the May meeting but preparatory steps can start now, including a letter to GCC Highways to seek engagement. Cllr. Neil Goodall volunteered to lead the project, assisted by Cllr Johnson.

110.2 PRoW Issues

The GRE42 issues remain unresolved. Action: Clerk to contact GCC PRoW.

110.3 Use of Private Land

Discussion to take place in May 2024.

111. Correspondence

- 111.1 Very detailed information has been received from two separate parishioners regarding flooding issues near Glynchbrook bridge and consequential damage to verges. This has been reported to GCC Highways. **Noted.**
- 111.2 An email has been received mentioning deer shooting, motorcycle scrambling and clay pigeon shooting. The chairman has responded and advised that the scrambling organisers are permitted to hold up to 26 events a year. **Noted.**
- 111.3 Work has now commenced to review the statutory Management Plan for the Malvern Hills National Landscape (AONB). **Noted.**
- 111.4 Dates of motocross events in the parish have been supplied. They are: March 23 & 24, April 7, 14, 20 & 21, September 1, 15 & 22 and November 2 & 3. **Noted.**
- 111.5 GRCC have circulated information regarding Community Space Grants, deadline for applications is 15th April 2024. **Noted.**
- 111.6 GAPTC's newsletter included a call for resolutions for their AGM, to be held at Highnam on 20th July 2024 and the opportunity to nominate members or officers to attend a Royal Garden Party. **Noted.**

112. Financial Matters

(a)	Statement of Accounts as at 15 th March 2024		
	Treasurers Account	£	519.40
	Deposit Account	£	18,933.10
(b)	Grant Applications - Section 137 of Local		None
	Government Act 1972		
(c)	Adverse variance to budget (>£10)		No Report
(d)	To ratify payment made between meetings		
	HMRC	£	141.60
(e)	BACS Payments for Approval		
	Redmarley Village Hall (Jan, March)	£	50.00
	REL Williams (Wages Dec, Jan + Backpay)	£	566.06
	RoSPA Playsafety Ltd (Playpark inspection)	£	TBA
	REL Williams (Wages Feb, March)	£	TBA
	HMRC Re above	£	TBA
(f)	Income Received – Since 24 th January 2024		
	09/02 Bank Interest	£	20.86
	11/03 Bank Interest	£	20.88

112.1 Accounts

Members accepted the updated accounts as presented.

112.2 Invoices for Payment

Members **approved** the payments presented at the meeting which will be paid by BACS transfer.

112.3 Receipts

Income received by the Parish Council was **noted.**

112.4 **AGAR**

It was **agreed** that RPC was exempt from the need for external audit. Page 3 of the AGAR was signed by the chairman and clerk.

112..5 **Audit**

It was **agreed** that GAPTC be appointed to act as the Independent Internal Auditor for the 2023/24 period.

113. **Grass Cutting**

The clerk presented tenders from Glebe Contracting and Tim Sharpe, both of whom held their prices from 2023. He recommended acceptance ahead of a full tendering process in autumn 2024. It was **resolved** to accept both tenders.

114 Parish Insurance

The clerk provided details of a renewal notice from Zurich and a quote from Clear Councils Insurance (formerly BHIB). He explained that Came & Co. had also been invited to quote but had not done so. After discussion it was **agreed** to enter into a three-year agreement with Clear Councils Insurance with effect from 1st April 2024.

115. **Next Meetings**

Confirmed as Wednesday 22nd May 2024 at Redmarley Village Hall. The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will start at 7.00pm with the Ordinary Meeting following directly afterwards.

The Annual Parish Meeting will start at 6.30pm on the same evening.

The meeting ended at 8.41pm.

Signed:	Date: