MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF REDMARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Redmarley Parish Council held on Wednesday 29th November 2023 at 7pm in Redmarley Village Hall

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Jeff Wheeler, Cllr Neil Goodall, Cllr Vicky Goodall and Cllr Josh Wheeler.

In Attendance: Leo Williams (Clerk), County Cllr Gill Moseley (GM), District Cllr Clayton Williams (CW), Ruth Ward (FoDDC Community Safety), and three members of the public (MoP). The meeting started at 7.01pm.

68. Apologies for Absence

Received from Cllr Mark Johnson, Cllr Mike Holtom and District Cllr Philip Burford.

69. **Declarations of Interest**

None.

70. Minutes of previous meeting(s)

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th October 2023 were accepted and were signed by the chair. The clerk pointed out an error on page one which will be corrected.

71. Public Consultation

MoPs raised the following matters: (i) The Lowbands grit bin was discussed. The latest is that a terracotta coloured half barrel type has arrived but is not suitable. The search for a solution will continue.

- (ii) The ongoing issue with damaged and demolished road signs was raised. Action: Clerk will seek out Streetview images to assist Highways teams.
- (iii) Gigaclear have written to residents advising their area has been "descoped" but would come under the new "Project Gigabit."

The clerk reminded one MoP that the proposed Air Ambulance crew visit had not been forgotten but would be better left until the spring.

Ruth Ward, Community Safety Officer at FoDDC, spoke about potential funding for projects to help with crime reduction or to tackle anti-social behaviour through the Home Office Safer Streets 5 Scheme. Applications are invited.

72. District Councillor Report

(i) PB had provided a brief written report mentioning that Nigel Brinn was now in post as FoDDC Chief Executive and that many functions appeared likely to return to local control from Publica.

CW focussed on local matters, (i) A parishioner in a Two Rivers home in Hyde Park was having problems with a smoking solid fuel boiler and appeared to have received poor advice from TRH. CW will follow up.

- (ii) The very poor condition of several roads was discussed, especially Durbridge Lane.
- (iii) People have been seen regularly walking with dos off the footpaths near The Rectory. It was suggested that the owner erects a sign.
- (iv) The missing 30mph sign was mentioned. This has already been reported.

73. County Councillor Report

GM explained there was not much new information to share. Broadband had already been discussed. Progress was being made on electric vehicle charging points in Newent, GM was trying to ensure some rapid charging units were included.

74. Action Tracker

Members accepted the updated Tracker and the following items were mentioned further: 3. Mapping, to be discussed at item 81; 5. Grit bin, ongoing; 8. Cinema screen, item 76.2; 9. Deeds, meeting to be arranged for next week. No relevant entry on Land registry; 14. AED power supply, Clerk will check with Community Heartbeat Trust; 16. War Memorial, ongoing.

75. Planning

75.1 **Planning Responses**

- (i) P1423/23/FUL Blackford Mill Farm, Pendock Road, Redmarley, GL19 3LG. Creation of vehicular access. There were **no objections** but it was requested that a **condition** of "Only for Agricultural Use" be applied.
- (ii) P1509/23/FUL The Old Rectory, Playley Green, Redmarley, GL19 3NB. Erection of replacement iron gate and proposed new gate.
- (iii) P1510/23/LBC The Old Rectory, Playley Green, Redmarley, GL19 3NB. Listed building consent for the erection of replacement iron gate and proposed new gate. There were **no objections** to items (ii) and (iii).
- (iv) P1557/23/TCA Lilac Cottage, The Causeway, Redmarley GL19 3JS. Reduce Bay Tree to a height of approx. 4 metres in line with gutter level of adjacent property (Blackwells Cottage). The tree is impinging on the neighbouring property and also interfering with a telegraph pole and associated wires. **No objections.**

75.2 Planning Updates

The following decisions of Forest of Dean District Council were noted:

- (i) P1336/23/TCA The Old Cottage, Redmarley, GL19 3SL. Fell one variegated Norway Maple as the tree is declining in condition and imposing upon the balance and shape of an adjacent mature copper beech tree. **Granted** permission on 31st October 2023.
- (ii) P1260/23/TCA 3 Little Green, Redmarley, GL19 3LQ. Remove one cypress tree which is dying back and currently supported by straps. Replacement planting with either apple or plum tree. **Granted** permission on 18th October 2023.
- (iii) P1106/23/FUL Harts Farm, Chapel Lane, Redmarley, GL19 3JF. Variation of Condition 03 (occupancy) P1009/10/FUL to allow for flexible use of annexe and holiday let. **Refused** on 27th October 2023.
- (iv) P1719/23/FUL Lakeside, Chartist Lane, Lowbands, Redmarley, GL19 3NL. Erection of a single storey rear extension. **Refused** on 23rd October 2023.
- (v) P1060/23/FUL Down Cottage, The Heath, Ledbury Road, Redmarley, GL19 3ND. Erection of a single storey rear extension. **Granted** permission on 13th November 2023.
- (vi) P1007/23/FUL Heath Farm, Ledbury Road, Redmarley, GL19 3ND. Erection of a two storey side extension with single storey rear extension. Application **Withdrawn** on 15th November 2023.

- (vii) P0781/23/FUL Rosedean, Parsons Lane, Redmarley, GL19 3SJ. Erection of a two storey extension with associated works. **Granted** permission on 9th November 2023.
- (viii) P0388/23/LBC The Dingle, Chapel Lane, Redmarley, GL19 3JF. Listed building consent for the erection of a single storey side extension with associated works. Demolition of existing conservatory. **Granted** permission on 13th November 2023.
- (ix) P0387/23/LBC The Dingle, Chapel Lane, Redmarley, GL19 3JF. Erection of a single storey side extension with associated works. Demolition of existing conservatory. **Granted** permission on 13th November 2023.

75.3 **Planning Appeals**

APP/P1615/C/23/3328609 Harts Farm, Chapel Lane, Redmarley, Gloucester, GL19 3JF. Appeal against an enforcement notice. The Enforcement Notice was issued for the following reasons: Without planning permission, the material change of use of the annex as a separate residential dwelling. **Noted.**

75.4 **Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV) Update**No update.

76. Parish Council Assets

- 76.1 **Defibrillator -** The matter of the power supply for the Lowbands defibrillator remains unresolved. **Action:** Clerk will contact Community Heartbeat Trust.
- 76.2 **Cinema screen** After discussion it was agreed to sell the screen. **Actions:** The chairman will ask if the screen can be stored by the Tennis Club; The clerk will investigate potential selling sites or methods.

77. Parish Council Website

The clerk briefed the meeting on the progress made so far and the efforts of Cllr. Johnson. He added that Maisemore PC's site should be live in December so he could report on it's performance and functionality in January.

78. Highways Issues

78.1 Road Safety and Signage

- (i) The road from Saxfield Farm to Chapel Lane has been patched up but is breaking up already. Reported on Fix My Street by Cllr. Josh Wheeler who advised that some jobs are being closed very quickly.
- (ii) The missing A417 flood sign has not been replaced, Cllr. Josh Wheeler is chasing this up.

78.2 **PRoW Issues**

Updates

- (i) 11427888 GRA35 Bridleway Drift Road Two large water filled holes across whole width of bridleway. No update not investigated yet.
- (ii) 11428382 GRA29 Rear of Chapel Farm Agricultural machinery across line of footpath. No update not investigated yet.
- (iii) 11428383 GRA26 North of Hazeldene Woods Horse tape across line of footpath with no way round. No update not investigated yet.
- (iv) 11439541 GRA50 Rose & Crown to Parsons Lane. Overgrown vegetation blocking footpath. Update 3 November Landowner has agreed to clear footpath.

New Matters

(i) 114xxxxx GRA45 Near the back of Redmarley Cricket Club pavilion. Wooden gate

- no longer working as the wooden post supporting it has rotted off. Case number 22035141.
- (ii) References to follow. Various matter in the Lowbands area including a blocked footpath near Down House Lane. Enquiries being made.

79. Correspondence

- 79.1 FoDDC advise that the draft Local Plan will go out to public consultation in Spring next year.
- 79.2 FoDDC advise that following a review of Publica operations they will be taking greater control of council services in then future.
- 79.3 CPRE extend an invitation to their Christmas carol concert at Holy Trinity Church, Minchinhampton on Tuesday 5th December at 6pm.
- 79.4 A parishioner has provided detailed information regarding blockages to local footpaths, as discussed under item 78.2.
- 79.5 An email from Reverend Mepham providing clarification on the possible need to expand the graveyard has been circulated to members.
- 79.6 Malvern Hills National Landscape Partnership invited RPC members to their Malvern Hills AONB webinar on Teams at 7pm on Tuesday 28th November 2023.
- 79.7 Severn Wye Energy Agency emailed regarding their Pay Warmth Forward scheme.
- 79.8 Gloucestershire Health & Care NHS Foundation Trust invite members to a site visit at the new community hospital in Cinderford at one four sessions on two dates in December. All matters were **noted.**

80. Financial Matters

(a)	Statement of Accounts as at 24 th November 2023		
	Treasurers Account	£	822.80
	Deposit Account	£	21,490.94
(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		
	20/11 GAPTC (Inv. 67 re Internal Audit)	£	180.00
(e)	BACS Payments for Approval		
	T. Sharpe, 9 Invoices (Grass cutting etc from 25th	£	305.00
	September to 27 th November 2023)		
	REL Williams (Clerk's wages, July to November)	£	844.84
	HMRC re above	£	211.00
	Glebe Contractors (Playing field mowing and hedge	£	1,590.00
	cutting)		
	Miss C Roberts (Fasthost domain renewal)	£	14.39
(f)	Income Received – Since 11th October 2023		
	09/11 Bank Interest	£	23.98

80.1 Accounts

Members accepted the updated accounts as presented.

80.2 Invoices for Payment

Members **approved** payments presented at the meeting which will be paid by BACS transfer and ratified the payment made between meetings.

80.3 Receipts

Income received by the Parish Council was noted.

80.4 Bank Reconciliation

No anomalies have been identified.

80.5 Financial Regulations

It was **resolved** that Financial Regulations should be adopted with amendments to Regulation 6 (Payments) to take account of the move from cheques to BACS transfers.

80.6 **Budget**

The draft budget was **accepted** in all regards.

80.7 Precept

It was agreed to delay the setting of the precept until the January meeting. The clerk pointed out that the notification deadline was before the planned date of the next meeting.

81. **Mapping**

It was resolved to authorise the council to enter a Public Sector Geospatial Agreement (PSGA) with Ordnance Survey to access better mapping when needed. **Actions:** Clerk will produce letter of authority for Cllr. Josh Wheeler who will then progress this.

82. **Next Ordinary Meeting**

Owing to item 80.7, **Changed** to 7.00pm on Wednesday 24th January 2024 at Redmarley Village Hall.

The meeting ended at 8.39pm.

Signed:	Date: