Redmarley Parish Council

MINUTES of the ANNUAL MEETING OF REDMARLEY PARISH COUNCIL and the ORDINARY MEETING of Redmarley Parish Council held on Wednesday 22nd May 2024 at 7pm at 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 (All will be referred to by their initials or first name)

In Attendance: Leo Williams (Clerk), County Cllr Gill Moseley (GM), three members of the public (MoP) and three representatives of The Hill Ford Stages Event. The meeting started at 7.04pm.

1. **Election of Chairman**
Cllr Jeff Wheeler was proposed by VG, seconded by MJ and was elected to be Redmarley Parish Council Chairman for 2024-2025.

2. **Election of Vice-Chair**
Cllr Mark Johnson was proposed by MH, seconded by Josh w and was elected to be Redmarley Parish Council Vice-Chair for 2024-2025.

3. **Elections of Members with Designated Areas of Responsibility**
The following members were elected to hold designated rolls with specific areas of responsibility as stated:
Finance Committee – Cllrs Johnson and Holtom
HR/Staffing – Cllr Johnson
Speed Camera Admin – Delegated clerk's function
Highways – Cllr Josh Wheeler.

4. **Standing Orders**
Members resolved to readopt Standing Orders.

5. **Financial Regulations**
The clerk briefed members regarding the newly published Financial Regulations and the advice from GAPTC. He added that he had been through the Regs line by line with another council and would soon be able to share a suggested bespoke version for RPC. It was agreed to retain the current version until the July meeting.

6. **Apologies for Absence**
Received from District Cllrs Philip Burford & Clayton Williams.

7. **Declarations of Interest**
Cllrs Jeff W and Josh W declared a clash of interests between their respective work roles and matters surrounding Item 16.3.

8. **Minutes of previous meeting**
The minutes of the meeting held on 20th March 2024 were accepted and were signed by the chair.

9. **Public Consultation**
There were no questions or representations.

10. **District Councillor Reports**
No reports were available.

11. **County Councillor Report**
Cllr Gill Moseley provided a detailed report during the preceding APM.

12. **Action Tracker**
Members accepted the updated version. Relevant updates are as follows:
1/35 – Co-option, A MoP has expressed an interest for later in 2024.
14/59.1 - AED Power Supply, Lowbands. NG is in the middle of an application process with Western Power, ref no 5135440.
19/96 Hill Ford Stages Event. Ongoing, item 14 refers.
21/107.5 Locally Valued Landscape. The relevant officer from FoDDC has not yet responded to emails or phone calls from the clerk or MJ. It is believed that the Local Plan is contributing to high workloads, and both will persevere.

13. **Planning**

13.1 **Planning Responses**
To discuss planning applications in the Parish and agree to any comments.

(i) P0304/24/FUL Kingslow Barn, Kings Green, Berrow, WR13 6AQ. Erection of an oak framed garage / store. It had already been communicated that there were **no objections**.

(ii) P0290/24/FUL Lakeside, Chartist Lane, Lowbands, Redmarley, GL19 3NL. Erection of a single storey rear extension. It had already been communicated that there were **no objections,** and it was noted that Consent had been **granted** on 21st May 2024.

13.2 **Planning Updates**
To note the following decisions of Forest of Dean District Council.
(i) P1669/23/FUL Barn Cottage May Farm Pendock Road Redmarley GL19 3LG. Erection of two storey extension with associated works. Consent **Granted** on 19th April 2024.
(ii) P1705/23/FUL & P1706/23/LBC The Old Rectory, Playley Green, Redmarley, GL19 3NB. Proposed walled garden and ancillary garden structures. Consent **Granted** on 3rd May 2024.
(iii) P1423/23/FUL Blackford Mill Farm, Pendock Road, Redmarley, GL19 3LG. Creation of vehicular access. Consent **Granted** on 3rd May 2024.

13.3 **Planning Appeals -** None.

13.4 **AGLV Update –** Covered under item 12.

14. **Motorsport Event**
Representatives from the Hill Ford Stages event team attended and spoke at

the invitation of the chairman. Key points, after the letter drop there was communication from 3 x MoPs, all of whom have been visited. There will be a further drop/house visits in mid-June. About 860 addresses have been contacted. One safety issue needs to be resolved, a collapsing drain cover at Murrells End. Redmarley will host the second stage of the day (15th September) of the five stages which will be repeated after a break. Mr Kim Butcher will be the PC's contact and Josh W will lead for RPC.

15. **MUGA Request**

It was **resolved** to extend the permission for the organised use of the MUGA by Sportily for the benefit of local children indefinitely. This will be reviewed if necessary.

16. **Highways Issues**

16.1 **Road Safety and Signage**

No new matters were raised. It was mentioned that a MoP had sorted out some drainage issues at Murrells End at his own expense. The Grit bin at that location has yet to arrive. **Action:** Jeff W will follow up.

16.2 **PRoW Issues**

It was mentioned that over 60 PRoW matters remain unresolved. There is a new PRoW Officer for the area, Will Saunder, and it will take time for him to get to grips with everything. **Action:** Clerk to contact the new PRoW to ask for updates and offer PC support.

16.3 **Use of Private Land**

The landowner from The Old Rectory, Playley Green, was invited to speak by the Vice-Chair who took charge for this item. He explained that increasing numbers of people were exercising dogs all over the field beyond the Recreation Ground where there are no recorded Public Rights of Way. He intends to use the field for livestock which will be problematic if this continues. Mention was made of a historical footpath which does not appear on current maps. After discussion it was **agreed** that the landowner will display signs and notices advising that the relevant gate will be locked by RPC as of 30th June 2024. This decision will be communicated as widely as possible.

16.4 **Quiet Lanes**

Following on from discussions at the March meeting it was resolved to seek Quiet Lane status for one or more roads in Redmarley. The clerk confirmed that GCC Highways had been approached in anticipation without response. After discussion the following **Actions** were agreed: 1. Josh W will establish whom at GCC is responsible for Quiet Lanes; 2. Jeff W will liaise with Slimbridge PC regarding their project.

16.5 **Speed Camera**

MJ mentioned some issues that had impacted upon the project, advising that the camera is functional but not fully operational, capturing numerous speed violations including 47 and 46mph. Signage remains outstanding. The clerk agreed to become system administrator once it becomes live. **Actions:** 1. Jeff

W will acquire suitable signs; 2. The clerk will request the Police Camera Enforcement Unit look into adding the zone as a handheld enforcement site.

17. **Correspondence**

17.1 FoDDC advise that the cabinet has agreed to proceed with the Our Plan (Local Plan) strategy. (Going before the full council next week).

17.2 National Highways warn of M50 closures on 28, 29 & 30th May.

17.3 GAPTC have circulated their summer newsletter.

17.4 Environment Agency have shared their response to Hinkley Point C's Development Consent Order Material Change consultation. All items were **noted.**

18. **Financial Matters**

(a)	**Statement of Accounts as at 17th Ma 2024**		
	Treasurers Account	£	600.00
	Deposit Account	£	23,900.82
(b)	**Grant Applications - Section 137 of Local Government Act 1972**		None
(c)	**Adverse variance to budget (>£10)**		No Report
(d)	**To ratify payment made between meetings**		
	11/04 HMRC	£	125.20
	11/04 REL Williams (Wages Feb, March)	£	500.96
(e)	**BACS Payments for Approval**		
	GAPTC Membership (690 Reg Electors)	£	247.30
	RoSPA Playsafety Ltd (Playpark inspection)	£	117.60
	REL Williams (Wages April, May)	£	500.96
	HMRC Re above	£	125.20
	Brian Morris Contracting Ltd (3 x Invoices for works)	£	297.00
(f)	**Income Received – Since 24th January 2024**		
	09/04 Bank Interest	£	19.08
	19/04 FoDDC Precept 1/2	£	7,000.00
	09/05 Bank Interest	£	18.29

18.1 **Accounts**
Members accepted the updated accounts as presented.

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

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

19. **Next Meeting**
The next Ordinary Meeting will be begin at 7.00pm on Wednesday 31st July 2024 at Redmarley Village Hall. The meeting ended at 8.39pm.

Signed: **Date:**