

AMPNEY CRUCIS PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON
THURSDAY, 12th JANUARY 2023**

Present: Cllrs Doug Crook, Jan Mills, Lis Courtown, Nick Wright, Jacky Leadbeater, Ross Leadbeater.

Presiding: Cllr Crook

Clerk: Roz Morton

In attendance: 8 members of the public

No:	Item:
08022/23	To note apologies for absence – Cllr David Fowles, County Cllr Lisa Spivey
081 22/23	To note declarations of interest & gifts or hospitality given or rec'd. Cllr Crook received a complimentary dinner at the Crown at Ampney Brook to the value of £40 in total. He donated £50 to Myeloma UK in lieu of the gift.
082 22/23	To approve minutes of the meeting held on 10 th November 2022. Resolution 37/22-23. It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 10 th November 2022 were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed Cllr Mills, seconded Cllr Courtown, all in favour.
	<p>Item 86 – application 22/04296 was considered by the Council</p> <p>22/04296/FUL Erection of 2 no. dwellings, detached garage, detached annexe/garage, landscaping and other associated works Land South Of Dudley Farm Ampney Crucis Gloucestershire GL7 5SG – Deadline 19th January</p> <p>Discussion took place. Cllr Crook outlined the Council’s position following a site meeting. The Parish Council is resolved to OBJECT to the application on the following grounds:</p> <p>The proposed development is outside the recognised settlement boundary of the village, is in the wider agricultural landscape and would change the shape of the village and therefore contrary to policy DS3. The Council also considers the proposal to be inappropriate as it would have an adverse impact on the landscape, conservation area and visual amenity. The Council also has concerns regarding highways access and visibility.</p> <p>Resolution 38/22-23. It was RESOLVED to OBJECT to this application, proposed Cllr R Leadbeater, seconded Cllr Mills, all in favour.</p> <p>Members of the public also expressed their objections and agreed that the Council could use information from their submissions to support the Council’s position.</p> <p>The applicant was present but made no comment other to introduce herself.</p> <p>ACTION: Cllr Crook to draft a submission and circulate for agreement.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to contact the case officer and request that Glos Highways undertake a site visit and that the application is considered at the Planning Committee.</p>
	All members of the public left the meeting.
083 22/23	Matters arising from the meeting held on 10th November 2022

83.1	<p>Update on Village Hall WIFI</p> <p>The Village Hall Committee has agreed to pay the installation cost quoted of £166.67. The Council has agreed to pay the ongoing monthly costs. Cllr Wright suggested that Gigaclear make a site visit to ensure that there are no additional installation costs due to the location of the hall.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to contact Gigaclear to request a site visit and keep the Village Hall Committee updated.</p>
83.2	<p>Update on CCTV quotes</p> <p>Only two quotes have been received despite repeated chasing of Rapido.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to attempt to obtain additional quotes.</p>
	<p>Discussion took place regarding adding information the website signposting residents to local planning applications.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to add to the website and advertise in the Newsletter.</p>
084 22/23	To receive reports from County and District Councillor – N/A
085 22/23	To receive questions from the Public N/A
086 22/23	Planning matters
86.1	<p>To receive planning decisions: Noted.</p> <p>22/01159/FUL Installation of 12no. lighting bollards, installation of 3no. LPG tanks, erection of timber fence enclosure for bins and LPG tanks, erection of 18no. posts for removable sails, and relocation of 3no. pods (retrospective) Crown Of Crucis London Road Ampney Crucis Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5RS – PERMIT</p> <p>21/04584/FUL Erection of 1 no. detached dwelling with attached carport Land South Of Back Lane Ampney Crucis Gloucestershire – APPLICATION WITHDRAWN</p> <p>22/03843/TCONR T1 (Whitebeam) - Previously shaded to north and has significant crown bias. Reduce top height by c.2m and reduce southern lateral spread by c.2m to balance crown The Rectory Ampney Crucis Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5RY – NO OBJECTION</p> <p>22/02482/FUL Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a replacement dwelling Pippins Ampney Crucis Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5RY - APPLICATION WITHDRAWN</p> <p>21/04798/CLEUD Certificate of Lawful Existing Use or Development under Section 191 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to establish whether use of land as residential garden (change of use from agricultural to residential use) Coruisk Ampney Crucis Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5SG - PERMIT</p>
86.2	<p>To consider and agree response to the following planning applications:</p> <p>22/04296/FUL Erection of 2 no. dwellings, detached garage, detached annexe/garage, landscaping and other associated works Land South Of Dudley Farm Ampney Crucis Gloucestershire GL7 5SG – Deadline 19th January – see above.</p> <p>22/04220/FUL Demolition of single storey side extension, erection of replacement single storey side extension, erection of single storey glazed link, demolition of garage and erection of replacement garage, insertion of two rooflights, replacement doors and windows, repointing walls, relocation of driveway, relocation of oil tank Well Cottage</p>

	Hilcot End Ampney Crucis Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5HG – Deadline 12th January
	ACTION: Clerk to add the following comment: The Parish Council requests that the verge that is removed to create the new entrance is reinstated in the old driveway area.
	22/04159/FUL Demolition of conservatory and rear lobby and erection of rear extension Cider Orchard Ampney Crucis Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5RY - Deadline 27th December
	ACTION: Cllr Crook to ascertain if there is a significant change in footprint from the existing dwelling.
86.3	To consider and agree response to tree work applications: 22/04470/TCONR T1 Ash Remove to ground level T2 Maple Re-pollard by 4-5 m back to old pollard points and remove rotten limb T3 Maple Reduce back to previous points by 3m Pippins Ampney Crucis Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5RY
	ACTION: Clerk to submit the following OBJECTION: The Parish Council OBJECTS to this application due to the poor quality of the information supplied. The sketch and the image supplied do not adequately show the location of the trees or allow any context for the surrounding area. The Council would also like to request that if any work is carried out at this location, the conifers that border the public footpath should be felled as they have reduced the width of the footpath making it virtually impassable.
087 22/23	To receive update regarding Highways issues
87.1	To receive an update on the bus shelter project. Information regarding the land ownership at The Pleydells has not yet been received. Once the Council has obtained permission in principle to install the shelters, the residents will be consulted to ascertain if they agree that the shelters should be installed. Consultation will be via the Newsletter and Psst.
	ACTION: Cllr Wright to get updated figures for the purchase and installation of shelters. ACTION: Clerk to chase up landownership information.
87.2	Update on highways trees at the top of School Lane & A417 verge and to consider and agree any action to be taken by ACPC. Cllr Crook agreed to discuss this work with Mr Terry Underwood. The issue of overhanging foliage blocking footpaths was discussed. It was agreed that a notice should be put in the Newsletter requesting that all residents ensure that they cut back any overhanging foliage to keep footpaths and pavements clear.
	ACTION: Clerk to add to the Newsletter.
088 22/23	Financial matters
88.1	To consider and agree to approve payments in the normal course of business (see attached list). The list of payments was amended to include the December payment to Phoenix for Office 365. Resolution 39/22-23. It was RESOLVED to approve the list of payments as amended. Proposed Cllr Crook, seconded Cllr Courtown, all in favour.

88.2	To consider and agree to approve statement of accounts and expenditure for the period up to 1 st January 2023 Resolution 40/22-23. It was RESOLVED to approve the Statement of Accounts. Proposed Cllr Wright, seconded Cllr Crook, all in favour.
88.3	To receive reconciliation statements for November and December 2022 The reconciliation statements were received without comment.
88.4	To consider and agree to enter into a 24-month contract with Gigaclear to install WIFI at the village hall. Cllr Wright requested that Gigaclear undertake a site visit to obtain an accurate installation cost. Resolution 40/22-23. It was RESOLVED to enter into a 24-month contract with Gigaclear and pay the on-going monthly costs. Proposed Cllr Wright, seconded Cllr Crook, all in favour. ACTION: Clerk to contact Gigaclear to arrange a site visit.
88.5	To consider and agree to engage a contractor to install CCTV to cover the main road past the Village Hall. This item was deferred until sufficient quotes have been received. ACTION: Clerk to obtain additional quotes and add to March Agenda.
88.6	To consider and agree to enter a 4-year contract with SWAST for the village defibrillators. The current units are around 5 years old, and the Council discussed whether it would be prudent to enter into a new agreement to continue to lease old equipment, or whether it would be better to start a new contract with an alternative company with new units. The Council agreed that it was vital to retain at least two units in the village. Cllr Wright has some information on potential lease providers which he will circulate. ACTION: Cllr Wright to circulate information ACTION: Clerk to ascertain how Fairford manages their defibrillators. ACTION: Council to make a formal decision at the March meeting.
88.7	To consider and agree final budget for 2023/24 Resolution 41/22-23. It was RESOLVED to agree the budget as presented. Proposed Cllr Crook, seconded Cllr R Leadbeater, all in favour.
88.8	To consider and agree Precept request for 2023/24 Resolution 42/22-23. It was RESOLVED to request a precept of £26,122. Proposed Cllr Crook, seconded Cllr Mills, all in favour. ACTION: Clerk to send precept request to CDC.
88.9	To consider and agree to appoint in internal auditor through GAPTC Resolution 43/22-23. It was RESOLVED to appoint an internal auditor through GAPTC. Proposed Cllr Crook, seconded Cllr R Leadbeater, all in favour. ACTION: Clerk to contact GAPTC
88.10	To consider and agree to open a long-term deposit account with CCLA and transfer funds –

	<p>amount to be agreed. Information on the CCLA fund was circulated. Councillors did not think that it offered the best value.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to investigate alternative providers including Starling, Lloyds and Chase and report back to Council.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to add to March Agenda.</p>
89 22/23	Burial ground & War Memorial
89.1	<p>Update on installation of water butts. After a site visit it was decided that the water butts will be located on one side of the Lych Gate. Additional connectors and fittings will be required. Cllr Leadbeater offered to provide slabs for the water butts to be installed on.</p> <p>ACTION: Cllrs to form a working party to undertake this work.</p>
90 22/23	Village Matters
90.1	<p>To receive update on playground matters The Playground inspection report has been received and circulated to Council. Cllr Mills reported that the springer end required is on order, the swings need replacing with an inclusive basket swing and costs are being obtained. Cllr Crook reported that he has springs to be installed on the gate.</p>
90.2	<p>To receive an update on the parish newsletter. Emails have been sent to all the relevant parishes, John Swanton, WI, Gardening Club, Village hall, Primary School, other village groups etc requesting articles. The response has been positive. Other articles to include: Cllr Courtown suggested that her note from the PCSO meeting is published in the Newsletter. Notes on commenting on planning applications Notice regarding overhanging foliage</p> <p>ACTION: Councillors to email Clerk with articles by 25th January.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to circulate a draft for comment early February.</p>
90.3	<p>To receive an update on the Cricket Club Trust and agree any actions. No paperwork has been forthcoming with regards to the Trust. Tony Williams is reported to be a Trustee.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to contact the Lords Taverners to ascertain what information they hold on the Cricket Club Trust.</p> <p>ACTION: Cllr Crook to chase Nick Tanner for the information in the meantime.</p> <p>ACTION: Cllr R Leadbeater to talk to Mr Gearing</p>
90.4	<p>To consider getting QR codes printed to place on litter bins directing residents to CDC website to report an overflowing bin. A QR code can be created to allow smart phone users to quickly access the “report it”</p>

	<p>function on the CDC website. It was agreed that it is a good idea and that vinyl stickers should be created.</p> <p>The Council would like a new Dog Bin to be installed at a particular location.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to obtain quotes for getting stickers printed.</p> <p>ACTION: Cllr Crook to send a google map image of the new dog bin location to the Clerk to send on request to CDC.</p>
91 22/23	To receive correspondence
91.1	Regular news updates from GCC & CDC Received without comment.
92 22/23	<p>Any other business: to discuss minor matters, not included elsewhere on the agenda, or matters received after the publication of the agenda. Not an opportunity for debate and decision making.</p> <p>Cllr Mills to meet with Houston Morris to discuss the wall proposed on School Lane on 24th Jan at 11.00am. Other Councillors to attend if available.</p>
93 22/23	<p>Date and time of next meeting</p> <p>Thursday 9th March 7.15pm</p>

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10.00pm