



Winterbourne

PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 9 January 2023

T Bowles (in the Chair)

T C Bowles	(P)	P Kembery	(A)
J Brain	(A)	T Jones	(A)
R Climmer	(P)	D Marriott	(P)
A Collins	(P)	H Whatley	(P)
J Amos	(A)	C Watkins	(P)
S Jenkins	(P)	M Newport	(P)
M Goodman	(P)	N Labuschagne	(A)
P Dyer	(P)	B Serjent	(A)

122.01/23 – Evacuation procedure – leave via the fire door and assemble in the play area – Noted

123.01/23 – Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Kembery, Serjent, Brain, Amos, Jones and Labuschagne.

124.01/23 – Chairman’s announcements

Best wishes were sent to Cllr Kembery who has recently had an operation, and also to Cllrs Serjent and Brain who are unwell.

125.01/23 – Public Participation

No members of public were present.

126.01/23 – Declaration of Interests under the Localism Act 2011

None.

127.01/23 - To approve the Minutes of Council Meeting held on 5 December 2022 –

Resolved to approve.

To note the Minutes of:

Planning Committee Meetings held on 5 and 19 December - Noted

Finance and General Purposes Meeting held on 19 December - Noted

128.01/23 – To answer questions from Councillors

The ongoing issue of the worn white and yellow lines in Frenchay was raised. Clerk has contacted South Gloucestershire Council regarding this and also the start date for the installation of the speed tables which was scheduled to commence on 3rd January.

The very poor state of the road surface on Damson’s Bridge was noted, and also the drain which is constantly blocked. Clerk to contact Streetcare.

It was noted Streetcare has cleared all the overgrown vegetation along Sunnyside Lane in Hambrook.

Part of a wall has collapsed on the Bristol Road going towards the Hambrook lights and is blocking the pavement. Clerk to contact Streetcare.

Also the collapsed wall on Pearce’s Hill, which occurred 2 years ago has still not been repaired. Clerk to remind Streetcare.

The repairs to the wall by Frenchay Village Hall have not yet been completed due to the

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recent adverse weather conditions.

129.01/23 – To receive and consider the Clerk’s Report
All items on the Clerk’s Report were noted.

Gordon Blight and Bob Drew were presented with their thankyou gifts for their voluntary work in the Parish, in particular the flags, just before Christmas by Cllrs Bowles and Marriott. There were both delighted with their pictures and thanked the Council very much.

Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPS). A briefing note received from South Gloucestershire Council has been forwarded to all Councillors explaining new procedures for recycling and disposal of soft furnishings to ensure compliance with current regulations.

Draft documents have been received from our solicitor for the transfer of the land at Frenchay. Correspondence is ongoing between them and the Trust’s solicitor to ensure the transfer documents are to everyone’s satisfaction.

130.01/23 – To approve the monthly accounts for December, the accounts from April to December and the bank reconciliation

Resolved to approve. All members in favour.

131.01/23 – To consider recommendations from the Finance and General Purposes Committee:

To agree the grants for:

Hambrook Sports Association - £5,432.29

Further information is still required from the applicant, so this is to be deferred to the next F&GP meeting.

Fromside Gymnastics - £1,000

Resolved to approve.

To consider the Budget and precept for 2023-2024

It was noted the figure for the Insurance budget has risen considerably and this is due to the recent revaluation of the buildings where the values were increased.

The Earmarked Reserves were considered and agreed.

Proposed by Cllr Dyer, seconded by Cllr Jenkins. All members in favour.

Resolved to agree the budget and total precept rise of 2%.

132/01.23 – To consider the reinvestment of funds held in the Bath Building Society

Resolved to leave the funds in the Bath Building Society Instant account for the time being at an interest rate of 1.10%. Further consideration will then be given as to the best place for the investment together with the matured funds from Hodge Bank.

The Clerk and Cllrs Kembery and Brain will investigate further and this will be reconsidered in the next F&GP meeting.

133.01/23 – Any other item considered urgent by the Chairman *(Members are reminded that an urgent item is one which requires a formal decision by Council which cannot possibly wait until the next meeting).*

None

Meeting Concluded 8.35pm

P Kembery
J Brain
Clerk