



# Winterbourne

## PARISH COUNCIL

### FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

20 March 2023

T Bowles (in the Chair)

T Bowles	(P)	B Serjent	(A)
J Brain	(P)	D Marriott	(A)
R Climmer	(P)	P Kembery	(A)
C Watkins	(A)	N Labuschagne	(P)

Evacuation procedure – Leave via the fire door and assemble outside in the play area – Noted

Also in attendance – Cllr Collins who was nominated as a substitute by Cllr Kembery and Cllr Jones.

98.03/23 – Apologies for absence – Cllrs Serjent, Watkins, Marriott and Kembery.

99.03/23 - Declaration of Interest Under the Localism Act 2011:  
Cllrs Jones and Labuschagne, South Gloucestershire Councillors.

100.03/23 – Minutes of the Meeting held on the 20 February 2023  
The minutes were approved.

101.03/23 – The Clerk's Report

Clerk has contacted SGC regarding the pipes running under the road from the pond on Hicks Common Road. They have raised a job request for the outlet pipes from the pond to be surveyed and if required jetted clear. SGC hope this will be done by the summer.

Regarding the area of land to be levelled and reseeded by the rebuilt wall at Tuckett Field, Cllr Collins has advised there is enough donated grass and wild flower seed mixes from a previous DofE project to do this strip of land as a residents and DofE voluntary task.

Cllr Jones is investigating the road markings sprayed on the junction of Flaxpits Lane and Green Dragon Road and will chase South Gloucestershire Council for a response.

The contactor who is going to carry out the work from the tree surveys will cut back the tree overhanging the cricket nets on Hambrook Common.

102.03/23 – Grant Requests

Frenchay Flower Show - £250

**Resolved** to recommend to Council.

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### Hambrook Sports Association - £5368.20

**Resolved** to recommend to Council a grant of £5168.20.

A claim was made of £5,368.20, but following discussion it was felt the amount of £2,850 for grass cutting was too high in relation to the costs claimed by Winterbourne Sports Association. Accordingly, the requested amount was reduced by £200.

### Frampton Cotterell Parish Council - £2,312

FCPC pay for a youth service provision and a proportion of the children attending come from Winterbourne Parish. The amount requested relates to the number of children from this parish who attend. It was noted if future requests are to be received, it would be helpful to be advised in advance so adequate provision can be made. Clerk will highlight this to FCPC.

**Resolved** to recommend to full Council.

Clerk

### 103.03/23 – To consider the commemoration of the Coronation in May

**Resolved** to purchase 3 benches, to be sited at the Recreation Ground by the new play equipment, the Dingle and in Tuckett Field at Frenchay.

Clerk

### 104.03/23 – To consider the annual percentage increase for the grass cutting contract in May.

Resolved to agree a 5% increase.

### 105.03/23 – To consider if any amendments are needed for the proposed new byelaws

Additional wording was suggested for items 14 and 35 of the byelaws to enforce the wording around overnight parking.

**Resolved** to accept new wording highlighted in bold

Item 14. No person shall without the consent of the Council leave or cause or permit to be left any motor vehicle in the ground between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. **Winterbourne Parish Council reserve the right to enforce any breaches of this condition.**

Item 35. Any person offending against any of these byelaws shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

**Byelaws are enforced by the local authority through the magistrate's court.**

### 106.03/23 – To consider a request from a metal detectorist to detect in Winterbourne Parish

**Resolved** to grant permission to detect in the Dingle subject to approval of relevant documentation.

Clerk

### 107.03/23 - Reports from Members

#### Frenchay

The Trust in Frenchay have been monitoring the wall by the old black gate on Beckspool Road for movement. There has been significant movement and they are now arranging for it to be rebuilt. The contractor doing this will also check on the issues with the gate where the surround and hinges need to be removed.

According on the outcome, this can be flagged up to the Trust.

There is new management for the Frenchay Flower Show and a 3 year plan is in place to get everything in order so it can be handed over to a wider committee after this time.



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The Council is still in discussion with the solicitors regarding the handover of the land at Frenchay and it is hoped this could be completed during May.

Winterbourne to include the Recreation Field, Duck Pond and Allotments

Nothing to report.

The Dingle, Winterbourne Down and Hambrook

The installation of the trim trail on Whiteshill Common is more or less complete.

There is some uncertainty about the safety matting as it doesn't blend well into the Common. Suggestions are to be made to the contractor to see if it can be recessed into the soil.

The Greenfield Centre

The blinds in the Council Room are broken in several places. Clerk will obtain a quote for some new ones.

It was suggested an investigation could be made into whether it would be worthwhile for the Greenfield Centre to have a battery pack to be charged from the solar panels to provide electricity in the evenings. Clerk will investigate costs.

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108.03/23 – Any other items considered urgent by the Chairman. (Members are reminded that an urgent item is one which requires a formal decision by the Committee, that cannot possibly wait until the next meeting).

None

Meeting concluded: 8.40pm