

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 3 April 2023

### P Kembery (in the Chair)

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

# <u>166.04/23 – Evacuation procedure – leave via the fire door and assemble in the play area – Noted</u>

### 167.04/23 – Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Watkins, Serjent, Marriott, Dyer and Collins.

Also in attendance I member of the public.

## 168.04/23 - Chairman's announcements

None

### 169.04/23 – Public Participation

The member of the public present had previously requested a dog bin to be installed in Bury View. However, Streetcare advised the position was too difficult in terms of emptying the bin. Further consideration is to be given to see if there is an alternative, more accessible site.

### 170.4/23 – Declaration of Interests under the Localism Act 2011

Cllrs Jones and Labuschagne, South Gloucestershire Councillors. Cllr Kembery in respect of the grant request for Frenchay Flower Show.

# <u>171.04/23</u> - To approve the Minutes of Council Meeting held on 6 March 2023 – **Resolved** to approve.

### To note the Minutes of:

Planning Committee Meetings held on 6 and 20 March - Noted Finance and General Purposes Meeting held on 20 March - Noted

### <u>172.04/23 – To answer questions from Councillors</u>

It was noted South Gloucestershire Council (SGC) are installing electric charging points in Perry Close. This seems an unlikely position for them, however there was a consultation by SGC prior to this being decided.

A question was raised as to whether any progress has been made in changing the Trustees for Tuckett Field Charity. It was advised this has been discussed by the Local Nature Action Plan (LNAP) group, and it is planned to proceed with this after May. It was noted it will be important to have a good spread of Trustees from all areas of the

Parish.

The hospital trust in Frenchay are currently paying for work to be done to the wall by the black gate on Beckspool Road. There is some additional work required to replace the gate and a further piece of wall which is leaning considerably. It was suggested the Parish Council could pay for this to be done but we currently do not own the land. A solution was proposed that the Trust could pay for the work initially and then the Parish Council will reimburse them when we take ownership. Clerk will contact the Trust to see if this would be acceptable to them. If they are in agreement, a formal decision can then be made.

It was noted that in parts the surface of Beacon Lane is very poor. There are many potholes, which get filled in but then reappear, so the road needs to be completely resurfaced. Cllr Labuschagne, as SGC Councillor, will add this to the other roads he is already in contact with SGC about. As it is a strategic main road in the village, it should be fit for purpose. The Chair reminded all councillors if they see any potholes they should be reporting them themselves on the SGC website.

<u>175.04/23 – To receive and consider the Clerk's Report All items on the Clerk's Report were noted.</u>

Clerk has contacted the WI in respect of their request to plant 2 trees, one for the late Queen and one for the King but no further correspondence has been received from them as yet.

WECA has advised they have set up a £2 million fund to help communities design and run their own version of new transport in their area. Information can be found at westofengland-ca.gov.uk. Details have been sent to members.

It was raised that to look at a strategic bus service at parish level alone is not feasible, but could possibly work by collaborating with neighbouring parishes.

The new account at Redwood Bank has been opened with the deposit of £85,920.00. The interest rate has risen from the initial 2.25% to 2.6%.

The Duke of Edinburgh team in Frenchay has very kindly seeded the area by the newly built wall by Frenchay Village Hall with a mixture of grass and wildflower mixes.

There have been some instances of anti-social behaviour and bullying at the Recreation ground recently. The local police beat team have identified the main culprits, who are not from Winterbourne, and they have been given bail conditions which forbid them to come into the area.

### 176.04/23 – To approve the monthly accounts for March

The accounts and bank reconciliation have been circulated to all members. **Resolved** to approve..

## <u>177.03/23 – To consider recommendations from the Finance and General Purposes</u> Committee:

To agree the grants for:

Hambrook Sports Association - £5,168.20

Frenchay Flower Show – £250.00 – Cllr Kembery left the room while this was discussed.

Frampton Cotterell Parish Council - £2,312

St Michael's Rooms - £5,000. This grant was approved in principle before covid. Now work has begun and paperwork has been supplied to reinforce this, it was agreed to release the funds.

**Resolved** to approve all the above grants.

N Labuschagne

To agree a recommended 5% increase in cost for the grass cutting contract. **Resolved** to approve.

To agree the recommended amendments to the byelaws wording. **Resolved** to approve.

It was also noted that the byelaws would not impede the delivery of any goods to the Frenchay Allotment site which is situated on the land the Parish Council will be taking ownership of.

# <u>178.04/23 – To consider proposals from Envolve regarding the water mains work at</u> Frenchay

Envolve are overseeing the water main works which will be carried out in April later this month. Following correspondence with them they have agree to pay £250 a week to use the area. They are keen this money can be used to further projects under the Parish Council LNAP.

Frenchay Councillors will also liaise with the White Lion to update them regarding the planned works and include an update in the local magazine. Clerk to respond to Envolve.

Clerk

165.03/23— 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 8.15pm