

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
held at The Old Court House, 63 Long Street, Tetbury, GL8 8AA on the 27th
March 2023

Present:

Town Councillors: Peter Coleman (Mayor), Ann Pearce (Deputy Mayor) Zowie Baker, Stephen Hirst, Nikki Ind, Kevin Painter, Judith Taylor, Colin Pearce, Tony Walsh, Ian Watson, Steve Scott, and R Smith

Officers: V Bolwell (EO (Executive Officer)) R Baker (Receptionist)

Public: 6

TC01. 03/23 To receive and accept any apologies for absence:

Apologies from Cllr M Wood and Cllr L Farnham received and accepted.

TC02. 03/23 To receive declarations of interest in connection with agenda items as shown and not already stated on Register of Interests:

Cllr K Painter – Comic Con

TC03. 02/23 Public Consultation:

Member of the public noted the website is out of date. When will the minutes from previous meeting be available?

Disappointed with the conduct of a current councillor. Fourteen weeks after the June 2022 elections a member of the council joined the Liberal Democrats. This has made the resident feel deceived.

There is still an ongoing issue with the lighting at Cutwell. When will someone do something. Please can a member of the council keep the resident updated with any progress.

At a previous meeting, a member of the public raised a concern that a grit bin has been removed from an area in Cutwell. Please could this be raised with Gloucestershire County Council asap.

A member of the public was disappointed to arrive at the Town council offices for a Highways Working Group meeting that had been cancelled but with no information or notice on the door. Please note Cllr L Farnham, Cllr J Taylor, and Cllr N Ind were extremely helpful after an email was sent to full council and would like to thank them for their efforts.

A previous councillor awaits a response to a letter sent to CEO T Niblett on 2nd March 2023 regarding monies awarded to Cllr K Painter. The previous councillor alleged that she had been informed by a member of the council the reason for awarding funds to Cllr Painter. She approached the council regarding the matter as she believes she had been affected in the same way.

TC04. 03/23 To approve minutes the Full Council meeting held on Monday 27th February 2023:

It was proposed by Councillor T Walsh seconded by Councillor R Smith to approve the minutes of Monday 27th February 2023.

Voting record	For 9	Against 0	Abstain 3	Absent 2
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TC05. 03/23 To note action points:

Noted

TC06. 03/23 To discuss and approve the Remit of the Car Parking Working Group:

It was proposed by Councillor S Hirst seconded by Councillor I Watson to approve the remit of the Car Parking Working Group.

Voting record	For 8	Against 2	Abstain 2	Absent 2
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TC07. 03/23 To discuss and approve Burial Policy:

It was proposed by Councillor N Ind seconded Councillor J Taylor to approve Burial Policy

Voting record	For 9	Against 2	Abstain 1	Absent 2
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Cllr C Pearce would like information regarding the definition of 50 years. This needs to be better explained to the residents of Tetbury.

TC08. 03/23 To discuss and approve Open Spaces Policy:

It was proposed by Councillor C Pearce seconded by Councillor K Painter to approve the Open Spaces Policy.

Voting record	For 11	Against 0	Abstain 1	Absent 2
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TC09. 03/23 To discuss and approve 2023-2024 Committee and Working Group Meeting Dates:

After on adjustment It was proposed by Councillor N Ind seconded by Councillor A Pearce to approve 2023-2024 Committee and Working Meeting Dates

Voting record	For 12	Against 0	Abstain 0	Absent 2
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Councillor K Painter left the room. 1946

TC10. 03/23 To approve Heritage and Regeneration Ringfence of £1000 for Tetbury Comic Con:

As the request is over £500 a grant application will need to be completed and submitted to Finance and Scrutiny.

Councillor K Painter returned to the room. 1955

TC11. 03/23 To receive an update regarding current Tetbury TROs:

Can we contact Highways Working Group for an update.
Please can we add this to Heritage and Regeneration agenda.

TC12. 03/23 To discuss and approve transition to paperless meetings in time for the first meetings cycle after the elections in early May:

It was proposed by Councillor N Ind seconded by Councillor I Watson to transition to paperless meetings after the elections, this would include training for all and support for any individuals with accessibility needs.

Voting record	For 11	Against 0	Abstain 1	Absent 2
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TC13. 03/23 To discuss the Climate Action Plan.

Move to next meeting.

TC14. 03/23 To discuss annual meetings of the Town:

Could Committees please ensure reports are sent to the EO by the 17th of April.

It was proposed by Councillor P Coleman seconded by Councillor S Hirst for the mayor to lead the organisation of the Annual Town Meeting.

Voting record	For 12	Against 0	Abstain 0	Absent 2
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It was noted that this date clashed with Cotswold District (CDC) annual meeting. Council EO to contact CDC to see if a representative can attend or the date changed.

TC15. 03/23 To note Mayors and CEO report:

Noted

TC16. 03/23 To note Police Report:

Can we please include the previous month's report for the next meeting for comparable data.

TC17. 03/23 To note minutes from Committees and Working Groups:

Heritage and Regeneration – Can we remove the Comic Con update off the agenda as it is not a council run event.

Heritage and Regeneration – Councillor R Smith thanked the committee regarding the memorial Rose that is being planted at the Goods Shed.

TC18. 03/23 To consider correspondence received to date:

ITV -Filming in Tetbury 24th April 2023

Coronation – Information regarding the events throughout Tetbury to be published.

TC19. 03/23 To receive County Councillor Reports:

Noted.

TC20. 03/23 To receive District Councillors Reports:

Noted.

TC21. 03/23 To receive Members Reports

Cllr A Pearce – Disappointed to receive email from CEO regarding the Pride Awards.

TC22. 03/23 Items for inclusion on the April Agenda

Climate Action Plan

Town Meeting

Burial Ground Information

£200,000 funding

Highway Ways Working Group

Accessibility

Councillor C Pearce Open Spaces Report re: hours worked etc.

TC23. 03/23 To note the dates and time of the next Full Council meeting Monday 24th April 2023 at 7pm:

Noted

TC24. 03/23 Exclusion of the Public and Press to allow discussion of confidential business: It was proposed by Cllr N Ind, seconded Cllr A Pearce that under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the Public and Press be excluded from the Meeting for the following items of business on the grounds they involved the likely disclosure of confidential information (as defined in paragraphs (1) and (2) of Part I of Schedule 12A to Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 [Information relating to an individual and Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person]), and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information concerned.

Meeting ended 2030