

Minutes of Temple Guiting Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 4th October 2017 at 7.30pm

Councillors present: Val Littlewood (Vice Chairman – in the Chair), Rex Bovill, Val Brown, Stephen Gower, Kate Mather

1. **Apologies:** Michael Krier (Chairman), Philip Beaver
2. **Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda (Localism Act 2011):** None. Three members of the public were in attendance.
3. **Points from the floor:** Points from the floor were permitted at agenda item 8.
4. **Approval of the previous meeting's minutes:** Council approved the minutes of the meetings held on 2nd August as a true record of the meeting and these were duly signed by the Vice Chairman.
5. **Clerk's report.** The Clerk's report was noted. **Action: Clerk to upload Clerk's Reports to the website along with minutes.**
6. **Planning:**
The following applications were noted:
 - a) 17/03383/TCONR Tree works along the road leading North East of Temple Guiting, owned by Corpus Christi. Surveyed for safety issues . Permitted.
 - b) 17/03189/FUL Ford Bank Cottage, Front extensions and alterations including double garage and new vehicular access. Permitted..
 - c) 17/03372/LBC Two new rooflights at Wells Head. Permitted 4 October.
 - d) 17/03085, 3086, 3087 TCONR Reducing trees at request of Western Power Distribution at 18 sites in Temple Guiting. Permitted.
7. **Finances**
 - a) Councillors noted current balances.
 - b) Expected payments v balances and budgets were reviewed.
 - c) Cheque signing and validation. The following payments were approved and cheques signed:

Cheq no.	Payee	Description	Value
370	M Freeman	Clerk's salary August/ September 2017	209.81
371	GAPTC	Half of Clerk's CiLCA training	110.00
372	St Mary's	Donation and graveyard maintenance	500.00
373	BT	Phoneboxes x 2	2.00
Total			821.81

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Action: Clerk to add budget to next agenda (Dec 6th) and circulate information two weeks in advance of meeting.

8. Speeding, verge damage and Lengthsman scheme

Councillors reported widespread damage to verges and road surfaces especially following recent diversions to allow roadworks to Buckle street. Council voted unanimously that the process and results of the diversion had been unsatisfactory and that action must be taken to resolve the issue. Cllrs Gower and Littlewood to attend meeting October 5th with Highways and report back to Council at next meeting. Action: Clerk to include in next agenda.

Council resolved to measure speed of vehicles at several times of day using methods recommended by Highways. Action: Council to identify locations of static radar and forward to Highways. Clerk to involve Rob Graves. Further action to be planned in light of speeding analysis.

Parking at the junction in front of the school was noted as a continuing issue. Action: Clerk to ask PTA to include a reminder re: Highway Code and parking as well as speeding in their newsletter. Clerk to request Highways to repaint road markings at the school junction..

Council requested further information on responsibility and means of repair for damaged verges from Highways. Action: Clerk to arrange possible site visit and information meeting with Highways.

Action re Lengthsman scheme (scheme for use of 2 men and materials for minor maintenance for one week): Councillors agreed to review the local area and identify possible works to the clerk by 18th October for forwarding to Cllr Nigel Moor and Highways. Works not to be related to recent diversion.

9. Phone Boxes

Cheque and forms signed. Action: Clerk to check Council's insurance is adequate and to add boxes to the asset register. Working parties were formed to maintain and repair the phone boxes, comprising: Kineton - John Woods, Stephen Gower, Gerald O'Mahoney; Temple Guiting – Kate Mather, Val Littlewood, Ian Littlewood.

10. Litter

Council resolved to have the litter bin removed to discourage excessive rubbish dumping and inadequate cleaning, on a trial basis. If the trial does not improve the situation, other alternatives will be investigated. Action: Clerk to arrange removal and a notice saying why the bin had been removed.

11. Countryside Alliance local business awards

Council agreed to encourage local residents to nominate local establishments for awards under this scheme, especially local pubs and cafes. Action: Clerk to include in newsletter.

Dates of next Council meetings: The next meeting of Temple Guiting Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 6th December 2017** in Temple Guiting Village Hall. Meetings will be held at 7:30 on the remaining following dates in the financial year 2017/2018: 7th February 2018 and 4th April 2018. The Annual Parish Council Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting will be held in May 2018 as required by s. 12 Local Government Act 1972. The date will be May 2nd.

As there was no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:30.

Signed

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