

GREAT RISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MARCH 2ND, 2021 VIA ZOOM- APPROVED

Present: Councillors Jane Carter (Chairman) (JC), Mike Saunders (Vice Chairman) (MS), Jenny Stewart (JS), Lynne Marsh (LM), Andrew Keep (AK)

Acting Clerk: Jane Carter

Attendees: County Councillor Nigel Moor, District Councillor Andrew MacLean, 5 members of the public

1.	Apologies: All present.
2.	Declarations of interest- Chairman Jane Carter declared an interest in item 7.3
3.	The minutes of the meeting held November 3 rd , 2020 were approved
4.	Report by District Councillor Andrew Maclean- Cllr Maclean highlighted the Cotswold CDC Crowdfunding platform launching shortly and could be used to support community projects. Covid-19 grants were still available from CDC and details were on the website. CDC had agreed a 5% increase in their annual budget. Affordable housing and greener transport were two areas of increased investment
5.	Report by County Councillor Nigel Moor Cllr Moor reported that Gloucestershire had announced a budget of £458 million. He felt it was a very balanced budget with increased funding for adult care/vulnerable children. The GCC had been shortlisted for a new Rural Mobility Fund to begin service in the North Cotswolds to complement existing transport service. The Ah Dieback scheme had closed and was very successful with more than 8,000 trees and 2400 hedging plants supplied to Parish Councils. The scheme would be open again in the autumn. A small Surface Water grant had been secured for Great Rissington of £3000 to begin investigation on the drains and surface water issues in the village
6.	Public Comments and concerns – A resident thanked the Parish Council for work to the Wellingtonia which she felt was a great improvement. She also highlighted the continuing issue of litter in the village and asked if volunteers would come forward to being regular litter picking on the stretch of road between Great Rissington and the Upper Rissington development, the majority of which fell in the Great Rissington Parish boundary. Cllr MacLean will speak to Upper Rissington Parish Council to see if they would help and find volunteers. It will also be publicised in the bulletin. A resident reported that she had collected two bags of village rubbish and this was collected by Cotswolds District Council.
7.	Matters arising <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Cllr Carter gave an update on works to potholes, springs, and drains but said that little progress had been made. Cllr Moor was invited to speak and said that the Surface Water grant could mean investigation beginning very quickly. It was agreed that the spring at the top of the village would take priority. Clerk to contact Highways to begin the investigations. ACTION2. The Wellingtonia work had been completed and councillor felt it was a great improvement- NOTED3. There was a discussion regarding the application by Great Rissington Sports and Recreation Trust for a grant to support the maintenance of Heaven Field. The council had previously voted not to continue with grant donations unless they directly benefited the village. It was agreed that Heaven Field was a significant area of land within the village and should be properly maintained. A donation of £200 was proposed and agreed. The clerk to inform the Trust ACTION. Cllr Saunders would produce a list of criteria for future donations to be considered by the council at the next meeting. ACTION

	<div>4. It was confirmed that the council is responsible for the maintenance of both defibrillators. The pads have been replaced in both recently. Cllr Marsh to inspect the club defibrillator and add to the regular monthly inspection. ACTION</div> <div>5. There was a discussion regarding a proposal to join forces with another council to apply for a 20-mph speed limit in the village. Cllr Moor said it was expensive and probably in excess of the £10,000. This would require a precept increase. Cllr Saunders felt it would not help and it was almost impossible to enforce. Cllr Stewart said that delivery vans were an issue coming into the village both from Bourton and Upper Rissington. It was agreed that the clerk investigate potential options around a speed survey and temporary speed monitoring to see if this would have any affect. ACTION</div>																				
8.	<div>Finance-</div> <div>1. To receive and approve the bank statement as at 21/1/21 £3258.76- APPROVED.</div> <div>2. To receive and approve the ‘Accounts’ spreadsheet reconciled balance as at 21/2/21 at £3258.76</div> <div>3. The following payments were approved:-</div> <table><tr><th>Cost Centre</th><th>Item</th><th>Payee</th><th>Amount</th><th>VAT</th></tr><tr><td>Maintenance</td><td>Wellingtonia Pruning</td><td>Silver Tree</td><td>300</td><td>Yes</td></tr><tr><td>Defibrillator</td><td>Replacement of club defib pads</td><td>Community Heartbeat</td><td>43</td><td>No</td></tr><tr><td>Donation</td><td>Heaven Field Maintenance</td><td>GRSCF</td><td>200</td><td>No</td></tr></table>	Cost Centre	Item	Payee	Amount	VAT	Maintenance	Wellingtonia Pruning	Silver Tree	300	Yes	Defibrillator	Replacement of club defib pads	Community Heartbeat	43	No	Donation	Heaven Field Maintenance	GRSCF	200	No
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9.	<div>To consider and note the following Planning Applications:</div> <div>Works to trees in conservation areas for T1, T2, T3 Ash Fell, T4 group of Ash within Copse. (10 stems) Copse consists of approx 60% Ash 40% Sycamore. Ash to be felled within copse are leggy 50ft growth. Under/re-planting Hazel and Field Maple at West Hill Great Rissington Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 2LP- NO COMMENT</div> <div>Works to trees in conservation areas for Ash tree - reduce by one third and lift canopy by 2 to 3 metres Yew trees x 2 -reduce by one third at 2 Westview Great Rissington Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 2LH- NO COMMENT</div> <div>Listed Building Consent for Structural repairs to roof and front elevation, insertion of roof lights to the rear of the property at Endicott Great Rissington Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 2LH- NO COMMENT</div>																				
10.	<div>For Information Only:- Cllr Carter reported that the residents who had cut the top village green for a number of years would be standing down this year. A vote of thanks was proposed. The clerk would contact Bibury for a quote for the work. Cllr Marsh would find out if repairs to the bench had been completed.</div>																				

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11.	Closure of business and meeting The meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.
12.	Confirmed -It was agreed to move the date of the next Parish Council meeting to Tuesday May 11 th to allow a physical meeting to take place following relaxing of the regulations on May 7 th . This would also be the annual meeting.

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