



Gorsley & Kilcot Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
Held Monday 3rd March 2025 at 7.30pm in Christ Church Gorsley

Present:

Councillors: Nigel Warwick (Chair) (NW), Graham Price (GP), Mike Howley (MH) & Nigel Poole (NP)

Officers: Charlee Roberts (Clerk & RFO)

Others: Gill Moseley (County Councillor), John Barker

94 Apologies for absence

Apologies received and accepted from Malcom Riggs.

95 Declarations of Interest

None.

96 Co-option of Councillor

The Council received an applicant for co-option, John Barker. The Council unanimously agreed to co-opt. John Barker signed acceptance of office form, clerk provided declaration of interests form to be completed and returned at the next meeting.

97 Minutes of previous meetings

The Council reviewed minutes of the meeting held on **Monday 6th January 2025** and agreed them as a true record. Minutes signed by Chair.

98 Reports

County Councillor Gill Moseley attended and provided a report covering upcoming elections, devolution including the district council being gone by 2028 and the extension of the Robin bookable bus service.

CLr Moseley had no update yet on being able to use the recycling facilities in Ross-on-Wye.

99 Financial Matters

The Council discussed opening a savings account it was agreed that the Clerk will look into the saving account options with Lloyds. It was agreed that once opened the Council will hold all money except 6 months of general expenditure in the savings account.

99.1 To approve payments already made by standing order or bacs:

3.1.25	– ICO	– 2025 Subscription	- £35
24.1.25	– C Roberts	– Currys Laptop Purchase	- £509
25.1.25	– C Roberts	– Clerk Salary	- £274.80
2.2.25	– Epson	– Readyprint Subscription	- £2.99
4.2.25	– IONOS	– Web Hosting	- £8.40
25.2.25	– C Roberts	– Clerk Salary	- £275

99.2 To approve list of payments to be made.

3.3.25	– C Roberts	– Homeworking Allowance Jan&Feb 25	- £52
3.3.25	– C Roberts	– Printer Paper	- £5.99
3.3.25	– GAPTC	– Subscription 25-26	- £90.78

3.3.35 – C Roberts – Microsoft 365 - £84.99

99.3 GAPTC Subscription 25/26 – Council agreed to continue subscription to GAPTC and payment will be made by bank transfer.

100 **Noticeboards**

Council discussed the noticeboards and agreed that replacements can be a large expense, therefore we will look to salvage the one that requires attention and look to purchase a single door noticeboard for the churchyard.

NW & MR to look to salvage large noticeboard and to check prices for a single door noticeboard.

101 **Highways / PROW Matters**

The Council noted their continued concern over the state of roads in the Parish.

102 **Planning Decisions**

Council noted that planning application P1318/24/FUL has been granted permission.

103 **Planning Applications**

The Council reviewed and discussed application P0130/25/FUL. Council agreed upon concerns to be addressed in the Councils comment.

NW to draft and circulate final comment for Councillor agreement.

Clerk to submit comment to FoDDC planning before the deadline.

104 **Planning Enforcement**

Clerk notified Council of updates provided by enforcement, notably that all current enforcement matters need to be reassigned. Council noted that the chalet on Ford Farm appears to be being lived in on a permanent basis against planning conditions.

NW to chase up with enforcement about outstanding matters and provide them with additional information.

105 **Tree Works Kilcot Green**

NW walked the grounds with 2 companies for the suggested works, both will provide quotes however it has been noted by both that to only remove trees in the report would not fully resolve the issue, a better long term solution would be to remove a strip of trees of up to 10m up the hill due to ash dieback. It may be possible to use Biomass to remove the wood and recoup some of the cost of the works.

Clerk to look into Woodland management companies, and check for any available grants for ash dieback works.

106 **Hills Ford Stages 2025**

Council noted receipt of the information about the Rally this year and noted their support for the event.

107 **GKPC 25th Anniversary**

Celebration of the anniversary will be had in conjunction with the Annual Parish Meeting which will be held on Monday 7th April 2025. Invitations will be sent out via email and post.

NW & GP to arrange the refreshments for the event.

108 **Clerks Report**

None.

109 **Meeting Dates**

The annual meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 12th May 2025 at 7.30pm.

The annual Parish meeting will be held on Monday 7th April 2025 at 7.30pm.

Signed Date