

CHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD 7 JANUARY 2025 at 6PM AT
CHERINGTON VILLAGE HALL

1 IN ATTENDANCE

Members of the Parish Council: Cllr Mike Mitchell (Chair); Cllrs Kevin MacMahon, Cllr Henry Arden; and Babs Maloney (Clerk);

Also: CDC Ward Councillor Tony Slater.

APOLOGIES: Cllr Peter Workman; Cllr Kate Gegg. Reasons for absence accepted.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the November 2024 Parish Council Meeting held over to next mtg.

4 PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public attended the meeting on this occasion

5 CDC AND GCC REPORTS

CDC Ward Councillor Tony Slater's report was received ahead of the meeting.

- Cricket Club: Still going strong – away games only as no available ground to lease
- Govt plan to merge councils into unitary authorities; May elections may not take place while debate re costs eg pension contributions, admin/ project costs continues.

6 CLERK'S REPORT

- 6.1 GCC Deputy Leader Cllr Fifield has offered to attend a meeting – TBC
- 6.2 **Annual Update of Register of Electors:** usually available December each year delayed until February 2025

7 FINANCE

- 7.1 **Financial Position:** Outgoings last month:
 - Clerk Salary November & December.
Reconciliation: Nov mtg £5,839.69 - £322.66 = £5,157.03 @ 7/01/ 2025
- 7.2 **Agreed outgoings to end of FY - Approved for payment:**
 - Chair – reimbursement £205 for battery plus inverter for Christmas lights plus tree for village green. VAT Invoice to be provided.
 - Donation to Cherington Village Hall: £500 budgeted - approved for payment
 - Hire of Village Hall for PC Meetings - £180.00
 - Website Hosting Annual Fee due 1st March
 - Clerk Salary January to March.
- 7.3 Budget for FY 2025/2026 tabled – Agreed and approved. Agreed no change to General Reserve Policy.
- 7.4 **Precept Setting:** The Parish Council agreed a 10% increase in the precept for 2025/2026 – £4,065. To be submitted to CDC by 30 January 2025

Accounts approved for audit

WM 4.3.25

8 TO REVIEW CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

24/02962/NEI| (alternative ref: S.20/0716/FUL)

Hybrid planning application for the extension to the existing business park;
Aston Down, Cowcombe Lane, Chalford, Gloucestershire
PC reviewed this application last month and resolved to make no comment.

9 VILLAGE ISSUES

- Litter pick: 8 March 2025 9am onwards. Date to be advertised in Villager Magazine. Clerk to action.
- Fund Raiser at Toad Hall – proposals:
Film Night – level of village interest to be gauged. Info on rural cinema terms to be sourced – Clerk to action
- Talk and BBQ at Toad Hall – Henry Arden re ‘The Dig’ – Saxon Burial site.
- Wreath Making workshop held December: £300 made. Very enjoyable.
- Villager Magazine: Cllr Arden to submit article re ‘Princely Burial Site’.

10 NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING

**TUESDAY 4 MARCH 2025 AT 6PM
IN CHERINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

Meeting ended 7pm

Signed..........Date.....4.3.25.....
(Chair of Cherington Parish Council) Minutes 7 January 2025