

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2025 IN THE VILLAGE SHOP.

Present: Councillor: M Percy, P Wait, S Percy and Lynn Thornton (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllr J Hobson.

REF

218/25

Open Forum

Nothing to report.

219/25

Apologies for absence

Cllr John Hobson.

220/25

Declarations of Interest by Councillors

None.

221/25

Reports from County and District Councillors.

Cllr Percy and County Cllr Dean provided a report before the meeting. In addition Cllr Percy confirmed The Ham will be closed but there is pedestrian access.

222/25

CRAG update

The monthly report was circulated before the meeting, the committee have sourced some grant funding, presently they are 10/12K short, the fencing is quite expensive so there is a discussion on whether the fencing is needed. CRAG are looking to place the order by Christmas.

There are lots of events planned leading up to Christmas.

The gravel path and mounds are a big topic for residents, the contractors are coming back to see if more gravel is needed in the problem areas. The mounds are also on CRAGS radar to resolve.

Cllr Percy mentioned grills being installed to try and catch some of the excess gravel before entering the shop/hall.

223/25

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15th October were approved and signed as a true and correct record by those present at the meetings.

224/25

Planning

The council has received notification of the following planning applications:

None.

The council has received notification regarding the following planning applications:

None.

225/25 Accounts – PCIncomes received and payments for authorisation

Cotswold Homes	5000.00	Donation to community project
SDC	9685.00	2 nd Precept
Margaret Paver Trust	2500.00	Donation to CRAG
Cambridge Solar Farm	1815.85	Solar Farm annual payment

Payments for Authorisation

L Thornton	530.40	Wages – October 2025
Hathaway Landscapes	447.90	Grass cutting contract
CRAG	5000.00	Donation to playarea
CRAG	2500.00	Donation from Margaret Paver Trust
AE Eve	25.00	Poppy Wreath

b) 1st Draft – the spreadsheet has been distributed and the councillors have been asked to consider future spending.

226/25 Clerks Report

- The clerk circulated the application from PROW regarding changing the bridleway to a Byway at Knapp Lane, the clerk has received communications from a couple of residents already who are very concerned about this proposal. Cllr Percy will look into this in more detail as there is not an option to object.
- The decision on whether to enter into the village of the year was discussed, as the council is so small at the moment it was decided there is not enough capacity to take on this proposal at the moment. Cllr Percy will mention it to CRAG to see if they are interested in entering.

Cllr Percy

227/25 Tennis Court

Nothing to report.

228/25 Village Shop

Cllr Wait confirmed there is nothing to report at the moment, there is a committee meeting next week.

229/25 Village Hall Update

Nothing to report.

230/25 Leases

Cllr Percy met with Tony and Serge to discuss the lease and ownership of the land the hall sits on. Cllr Percy has gone through to documents again and proposed reregistering the land the hall sit on and the 120 feet from the hedge out into the field. This could have implications for the shop/Crag and the council.

Cllr Percy will measure the distance to confirm exactly where 120 feet goes to, a further meeting will then be arranged.

The shop lease will be put on hold until the village hall registration has been resolved.

231/25 Neighbourhood Watch Update

Cllr Percy confirmed there are a few new members, the group currently has 12 members. An application has been submitted to fund new groups in setting up. Cllr Percy has some material to launch the group and this will be supported by the PCSO for the area.

232/25 Footpaths, ditches and Stiles

The clerk has been in contact with Mick Thorpe from the Cotswold wardens to discuss the footpaths and lack of repair. Mick suggested the council funding some of the repairs, it is very difficult to get landowners to carry out the repairs to stiles etc. Cllr Percy proposed approaching County Cllr Dean to fund the repairs. There is a handy man Uley PC use to carry out repairs, he may be interested in some additional work.

Further to Sarah from PROW requesting information on a landowner, Cllr Percy has passed the details onto Sarah.

233/25 Allotment Update

The clerk has chased up the outstanding rents.

The clerk has also emailed the farmer regarding installing electric fence when the rams are in the allotment field.

234/25 Village Maintenance

GCC have only mowed a very narrow piece of land from The Elms to Westend, the crew installed lights to carry out the work but did not go back to the hedge line so it has had very little impact.

235/25 Highways Repair & Maintenance

The clerk has the two remaining gateways at her house, Gary Wilson did not approve the two locations proposed for these gates, the clerk asked the councillors to consider alternative locations.

Cllr Wait mentioned the triangle at the bottom of Peak Lane, this use to be a large grassed area but overtime it has been driven over and is not non-existent.

Cllr Percy confirmed the speed monitoring will cost £360, this would be for two locations in the village. Councillors voted to move this forward.

236/25 Playarea Update

Nothing to report.

237/25 Biodiversity Policy

The adopted policy has been forwarded to CRAG as an action. Clerk to remove from the next agenda.

Clerk

238/25 Risk Assessment

Nothing to report, remove from ongoing agendas.

Clerk

- 239/25 Emergency Plan
Defer to the next meeting.
- 240/25 Solar Farm, Peters Street
The council is keen to progress this, Cllr Dean is scheduled to attend the December meeting to provide further information to consideration.
- 241/25 Matters for forward consideration
Emergency Plan
Solar Farm
- 242/25 Items for press release and publication
Minutes
Neighbourhood wardens
Councillors and the councils position.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm.