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Minutes of General Meeting

Held at St Oswald's Church on Thursday 26th August 2021, 19:00

Councillors present: Cllrs Kealy (Vice Chairman), Griffiths, McKinna and Hawley.

In attendance: 7 attendees.

- 210826/1 Vice Chairman's Opening Remarks:** Cllr Kealy welcomed everyone to the meeting. He confirmed that face to face meetings were now legally allowed after the Coronavirus restrictions had been lifted and the PC were looking forward to future meetings being held in the newly renovated Reading Room.
- 210826/2 Apologies:** Received from Chair, Cllr Chalklin and also Cllrs Paul Hodgkinson and Robin Hughes.
- 210826/3 Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Kealy declared an interest in the Reading Room item as he is a Trustee representing the PC. It was confirmed that Cllr Kealy would not need to leave the Church for the update.
- 210826/4 Minutes of Previous Meetings:** Draft minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 3rd June 2021 were approved and signed by the Vice-Chair, Cllr Kealy.
- 210826/5 Planning Applications:**
5.1 21/02078/AGRO 8 School Lane, Shipton Oliffe, Cheltenham GL54 4JB.
Erection of tractor shed. Attendees were given the opportunity to comment on this application which was still awaiting a decision by CDC. Several residents indicated that they would be submitting objections and that they had grave concerns about the proposal. *SPC confirmed that they had considered this application and have no objections. NB: Clerk to review village Welcome Pack with commentary about planning and CDC. Clerk to enquire about protocol regarding notice placement.*
5.2 21/01784/FUL Cheveley House Manor Farm Shipton Oliffe Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 4HY. Change use of adjoining rough grazing land to include it within the garden of Cheveley House. *Awaiting decision by CDC. For information only, SPC have considered and have no comments.*
5.3 21/01104/FUL 1, North Farm Cottages, Shipton Oliffe, Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL54 4JF. Erection of two storey and single storey rear extensions *Awaiting decision by CDC. For information only, SPC have considered and have no comments.*
- 210826/6 Reading Room Update:** A report on the Renovation Project was received from Chair of the Trustees and Project Manager. Council was advised that the project was nearing completion but had been affected by material shortages and manpower due to the Pandemic. Snape, the Contractors think they will finish by 7th September 2021. SL indicated that it was more likely to be 2-3 weeks after this date
- 210826/7 Reading Room Budget Update:** SPC were pleased to hear that all the approved variations were within budget. They were advised that part of the contingency monies was now being used and that the Project Manager would be conducting another site visit to assess workmanship. All agreed that the RR would become a fantastic asset for the community and everyone looked forward to the formal opening and social party. SPC agreed to support this project with further PM financial support if required
- 210826/8 Updates on Highways and Snow/Winter Planning:** It was requested that Highways maintain and cut the verge by the bus stop. Cllr Kealey confirmed that Winter planning was in place and Harvey will grit the main road. He also advised that some potholes had been filled in the main road, but that Highways are still failing to action PC requests about the poor junction at the traffic lights.
- 210826/9 Update on Shipfest Activities:** Still on hold due to RR project delays and Covid.
- 210826/10 Correspondence Received:** The Clerk advised that an anonymous letter has been received about Brookford Cottage. Cllrs had been issued with a copy of this letter prior to the meeting. SPC continue to support the owner of Brookford Cottage in his efforts to restore the property to a habitable home in keeping with similar properties in the Village.
- 210826/11 Date of next meeting: TBC**

Meeting closed at 19:40

Signed: *Harry Chalklin (Chair)*

Date: 28th January 2021