

Cowley (& Birdlip) Parish Council

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MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 29th June 2016 at Birdlip Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs. Julian Lavington (Chair), Diane Ballinger, Stuart Bradley, Dr. Stuart Drysdale, David Metcalf, Liz Workman

1. **Apologies** had been received from Dr Nick Reed.
2. **Declarations of Interest** – Stuart Bradley confirmed that he lives close to the site of planning application 16/02434/FUL, Nothill, Cowley
3. **Minutes** of the meeting held on 25th May 2016 were agreed and signed.
Matters Arising – the Highways Agency had stated that the amount of litter at the Air Balloon roundabout did not meet the threshold for clearing up. The situation would be monitored.
4. **Fastershire/Gigaclear in Birdlip** – there had been some issues in Birdlip with loss of phone and broadband connection as a result of works being carried out. The situation seems to have been resolved but if problems remain residents are reminded that the Parish Council can take up issues with Gigaclear if necessary.
5. **Dog fouling in Birdlip** – Cllr Lavington would liaise with The Royal George to find out if the dog waste bin (that was agreed 18 months ago) was ever put in.
6. **Planning** – LATE ITEM 16/02434/FUL - Retrospective change of use from agricultural building to dwelling at The Studio Nothill Cowley – it was agreed that the following comments be submitted: This application was received by the Parish Council just before the monthly meeting so had not been included on the agenda. Cowley Parish Council requests that a decision is not made on this application until 11th August (the day after the next scheduled Parish Council meeting). The Parish Council understands that there is strong local interest in this application and that it could set a worrying precedent. If CDC is not able to wait for the Parish Council comments, please could note be taken of direct and specific comments from local residents?
7. **Bus Shelters & defibrillators:**
 - a) **Birdlip Kiosk** – the kiosk was now painted and glass replaced. It was agreed that the Clerk would liaise with The Royal George about removal of the defib. Cllr Bradley would liaise with the electrician who installed the defib in the kiosk at Cowley. A limit for the electrical work would be set at £125.
 - b) The 3 bus shelters, defibrillators & and kiosks have been inspected since the last meeting
8. **Payment were authorised and cheques issued** for Parish Council expenses
£42.55, Website development and first year maintenance £380, Painting of Birdlip Kiosk £380

9. **The Clerk's pay was agreed and a cheque signed**
10. **Questions from the public** – the Clerk was asked to contact Highways about foliage obscuring the 30mph signs at the entrance of Birdlip when approaching from the A417.
11. **The next meeting** would be held on Wednesday 10th August/14 September 2016

Signed: *Helen L. Jones* (Clerk to the Council)

The meeting closed at 8.00pm