

Cowley (& Birdlip) Parish Council

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MINUTES

Minutes of the Parish Council on **Wednesday 15th June 2022 7.30pm Deer Park Guide HQ Cowley.**

Present: Cllrs. Julian Lavington, Eileen McKay, Peter Ritchie, Linda Dawson District Cllr Judd and one member of the public.

1. **Apologies** Cllr Knox, Cllr Collings and Cllr Pearce
2. **Minutes of the last meeting** Minutes of meetings held on 18th May 2022 were agreed and signed
3. **Declarations of Interest** Cllr Dawson
4. **Matters Arising not included as an agenda item.** Clerk advised she had attended a virtual meeting of the Barrow Wake Parking and Access working group. Clerk advised she had received detailed summary of the Jubilee celebrations in both Cowley and Birdlip Villages.
5. **Bus Shelters & defibrillators:** To note that the 3 bus shelters, defibrillators & kiosks have been inspected since the last meeting. Noted. Clerk advised that the Birdlip defibrillator had been mobilised but had not been activated.
6. **Community Governance Review Update** Chairman advised that the letters had been sent to all residents advising of the Parish Council Split and boundary change. Cllr Ritchie asked why one resident could stop the boundary review extension, Cllr Judd explained there had to be a consensus of all residents in the area effected. Chairman has contacted GAPTC for advice and support. Clerk will prepare a list of actions needed to facilitate the split. Sarah Dalby is currently talking to the Legal team at CDC.
7. **Planning:**

Ref. No: 22/01731/FUL Conversion of stables building to single dwellinghouse at Bakers Farm Cowley Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 9NJ **SUPPORTED** (Two support one abstain).

8. **GAPTC Independent Internal Audit** – receive update – Cllr McKay
9. **Agree and sign AGA statements for 2021/22** Agreed and signed
10. **Finance**
 - I) **Issue cheque for Birdlip Jubilee celebrations** £499.47
 - II) **To agree the Clerk's pay and expenses and issue cheques** £33.60 & £204.20
 - III) **To authorise payment and issue cheque:** GAPTC Internal Audit £175.00
 - IV) **Issue replacement cheque for donation to Cowley PCC** £150.00
11. **To take any questions from the public.** None
12. **Items for the next agenda - Add and remove Councillor bank signatories**
13. **Date of meeting Wednesday 17th August 2022 St Marys Birdlip**

The meeting closed at 8.09pm

Signed..... Date.....

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations 2022

Cowley

Cowley Village held a Jubilee Picnic and Barn Dance in celebration of Queen Elizabeth II's 70 years on the throne on Sunday 5th June 2022 from 2.00pm - 7.30pm held at the Dutch Barn. Picnic tables and chairs were available and the barn was decorated with bunting, union jacks and a life size cardboard model of the queen. There was live music from The Sherwoods who travelled from Birmingham and in between sets, recorded dance music. The music covered all seven decades and was truly amazing. 110 villagers, friends and relatives were in attendance donning red, white, blue and crowns with the age group ranging from a newborn to pensioners all enjoying the bank holiday celebrations. A good time was had by all dancing, singing and enjoying the ambience of this special day.

Birdlip

Thursday 2nd June saw many residents decorate their homes with bunting, flags and balloons.

Friday 3rd June, Jubilee Tree on Partridge Corner, many residents attended to watch the tree being planted.

Sunday 5th June with the expectation of rain the Jubilee Street Party was held in the marquee at Clavell and Hind Brewery. Flags and bunting decorated the marquee and car park. Starting at 2pm Residents provided picnics, sharing plates and cakes. Commemorative mugs were presented to young villagers.

Cllr Lavington made an opening speech which thanked the villagers of Birdlip for all they do for the community. This was followed at 3pm Sub Lieutenant Al Kennedy leading partygoers in a toast to her Majesty followed by singing of the National Anthem.

Many competitions took place throughout the day for both senior and junior residents including best dressed house (won by E. McKay) best jubilee cake (won by B Kennedy) and best dressed (won by M James) A quiz was hosted by D and J Partridge.

A fabulous day was had by all with music covering the entirety of her Majesty's reign seeing residents dance and sing until rain halted proceedings at 7.40pm