

GUITING POWER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting May 22nd 2025 Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Simon Gardner (Chair), Fiona Formby, Richard Knee, Neil Smith, Sam Ayton-Hill, Charlie Friend

Attending: Clerk Jane Carter, Cllr Len Wilkins

MINUTE	AGENDA ITEMS	ACTION
250522/1	Election of Chair 2025-26: Simon Gardner was proposed, and the vote was unanimous. The acceptance of office was signed	
250522/2	Election of Vice- Chair: Richard Knee was elected vice-chair by a majority vote. The acceptance of office was signed	
250522/3	Apologies for absence: County Councillor Tom Bradley; Cllr Simon Wallis.	
250522/4	To Receive Declarations of Interest from Councillors : none	
250522/5	The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held March 19th, 2025, were approved and signed by the Chair.	
250522/6	To receive comments and concerns from the public: No matters raised	
250522/7	To receive report from County Councillor Tom Bradley: a short report had been received and was noted. To receive report from District Councillor Len Wilkins: Cllr Wilkins had circulated a report and this was noted. He updated the meeting on devolution and CDC financial situation.	
250522/8	Matters Arising: - Highways and Village Maintenance Cllrs Knee and Formby had held a site meeting with highways and Road safety officers from Gloucestershire County Council. They had formally requested a 20mph speed limit be considered and other traffic calming measures. It had been agreed that speeding surveys would be carried out at key points in the village to understand the volume and speed of traffic. It was agreed that a grant for improvements to the entrance signs and village gates would be investigated. The Village Green bin: the bin was often overflowing after a weekend. The clerk would again seek to get the bin swapped for a larger one or to increase the amount of collections Playground Inspections: The annual report had been received and there were no issues. Minor repairs were needed to some items of equipment. It was agreed the chair/clerk would approach the trust to see if they would help with repairs. The clerk would also see if other grants were available	Cllrs Knee/Formby Clerk Clerk
250522/9	Planning applications: none received	
250522/10	Finance: I. To approve current statement of accounts and bank reconciliation (as circulated)- APPROVED II. To approve payments and note receipts (as circulated)- APPROVED III. To confirm that the parish council wish to certify themselves as exempt from a limited assurance review under Section 9 of the Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015 and to sign and return the Certificate of Exemption-CONFIRMED IV. To receive and note the Annual Internal Audit Report- NOTED	

	<p>V. To receive and approve the Annual Governance Statement Section 1 of the Annual Return for 2024-25-APPROVED</p> <p>VI. To approve the end of year accounts for 2024-25 and to approve Section 2 of the Annual Return for 2024-25-APPROVED</p> <p>VII. To review and approve the annual insurance renewal- APPROVED</p> <p>VIII. To note the addition of Councillors Keep and Formby to the bank mandate- NOTED</p>	
250522/11	Matters For Information: Cllr Wallis' formal resignation from the council was noted. The chair proposed a vote of thanks for his hard work and support during his four years on the council.	
250522/12	The next meeting was confirmed as Wednesday July 16th 2025 in the Cochrane Room at 7 p.m.	

Approved By _____

Date _____