

Parish Council Notes – Council Meeting 6th October 2021

Large grant for Bourton Rovers Football Club: The Club Chairman attended the meeting to outline details of their grant application for £7,336 which was around 70% of the project costs to demolish the old concrete garage and provide a new metal structure to replace. With nearly 200 youth members as well as three senior teams and veterans the Parish Council voted to approve the grant for payment next year. District Councillor Nick Maunder advised that Cotswold District Council have grant funding available through the Crowdfunding Cotswold scheme and the Club will investigate this as an alternative source of funding.

Cotswold District Council are running an on-line 2022/23 budget consultation until Friday 19th November and residents are invited to contribute here <https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/about-the-council/having-your-say/budget-consultation/>.

Bollards at Rissington Road – the District Council has installed a line of wooden bollards on the grass verge opposite the Rissington Road car park. This work was funded by the Cotswold District Council Tourist Contribution from car parking and was agreed following a survey of residents on how the funding should be used.

Village Warden – The new warden, Steve Cotton, started on Monday 11th October with funding from CDC's Tourist Contribution. The post will be managed by CDC and Steve's role will be to liaise with residents, businesses and visitors and monitor and report matters which will contribute to the smooth-running of the village.

The Rissington Road car park – the District Council will be undertaking a refurbishment over the winter which will result in closure for around three months. Included in the scheme will be installation of electric car charging points.

Air Quality Surveillance on traffic pollutants was carried out by the District Council and the village was shown to be within statutory limits so no further investigations are planned.

Cotswolds National Landscape (previously Cotswold AONB) have provided funding to work with the District and Parish Council to plan two walks around Bourton, one of which will be fully accessible. The aim is to encourage residents and visitors out of the centre of the village.

Accessibility Audit – An audit of the village is scheduled to start on 22nd October, also to be funded from the Cotswold District Council Tourist Contribution. The aim is to highlight any areas within the centre of the village, residential areas and Greystones that require improved accessibility.

New Play Equipment – The installations at Melville and The Naight will now start one week later, on Monday 18th October. Additional items for both sites were approved, including surfacing under the zip wire and fencing around the new equipment on both sites. The additional costs are to be funded from new grant funding and general reserves.

Platinum Jubilee weekend in June 2022 – a committee of volunteers has started planning for the village celebrations. Please contact the Clerk if you would like to join the group to assist with event planning or to help over the weekend.

Christmas Tree – This will be erected in the river on Saturday 20th November at 9am. Please contact the Clerk if you are able to offer any assistance.

Next Meeting Date: The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Wednesday 4th November at 7pm in the Windrush Room at The George Moore Community Centre.

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