

## GUITING POWER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting July 16<sup>th</sup> 2025 held in The Cochrane Room

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

Attending: Clerk Jane Carter, Cllr Tom Bradley

MINUTE	AGENDA ITEMS	ACTION
250716/1	<b>Apologies for absence:</b> Cllrs Fiona Formby, Simon Gardner	
250716/2	<b>To Receive Declarations of Interest from Councillors :</b> none	
250716/3	<b>The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held May 22nd, 2025,</b> were approved and signed by the Chair.	
250716/4	<b>To receive comments and concerns from the public:</b> No matters raised	
250716/5	<p><b>To receive report from County Councillor Tom Bradley:</b> Cllr Bradley updated the meeting on the devolution process. There had been no agreement on proposed options. Speed limits review was one of the main target for the council. It was confirmed that Guiting Power had asked to be part of the proposed consultation. Cllr Knee had submitted the forms.</p> <p><b>To receive report from District Councillor Len Wilkins:</b> Cllr Wilkins had circulated a report and this was noted.</p>	
250716/6	<p><b>Matters Arising: -</b>  <b>Highways and Village Maintenance</b>            Cllrs Knee updated the meeting on the results from the speed survey. These would be circulated. White liming and 'Slow' markings and village gates at the main entrances to the village had been proposed as traffic calming measures. GCC would be holding a consultation on 20mph speed limits and a review of major roads. The council had confirmed it wishes to be part of the consultation.</p> <p><b>Playground Inspections:</b> These had taken place and there were no issues to report. It was noted that a further five-year lease had been signed with the Guiting Power trust and the peppercorn rent of £1 a year paid. Cllr Ayton-Hill agreed to review the previous playground inspections and note what repairs or general replacements were required. This would be reviewed by councillors. Grants may be available from GCC. The clerk would investigate what safety signs were required</p> <p><b>Defibrillator:</b> a £50 donation had been received for the old defibrillator which had been installed on the Estate Farm. The new power supply for the new defib was not yet in place. Cllr Friend agreed to speak to the Guiting Power Trust regarding arrangements for the connection.</p> <p><b>Donation to Royal British Legion:</b> it was agreed to purchase a remembrance wreath to the value of £50. Cllr Smith would take delivery.</p> <p><b>GGC Ash dieback Scheme:</b> this was noted. The clerk would forward applications forms to the Farm</p> <p><b>Crime Prevention:</b> it was agreed that the parish council would start a Neighbourhood Watch Group. The local crime prevention team would be contacted to hold a open meeting at the village hall in the autumn to advise residents on crime prevention. This would be publicised via social media and a leaflet drop.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Cllr Ayton-Hill</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Cllr Friend</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Cllr Smith</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p>
250716/7	<b>Planning applications:</b> none received. The transfer of the Hollow Bottom Public House licence was noted.	

250716/8	<b>Finance:</b> <b>I.</b> To approve current statement of accounts and bank reconciliation (as circulated)- APPROVED <b>II.</b> To approve payments and note receipts (as circulated)- APPROVED <b>III.</b> To review and adopt national Model Financial Regulations 2025: these had been circulated and were adopted <b>IV.</b> To review and adopt council Standing Orders: these had been circulated and were adopted <b>V.</b> Council risk register: this had been circulated and were approved <b>VI.</b> Assets register and assets inspection 2025: the assets register would be updated with the goal posts and new defibrillator. Cllr Smith agreed to carry out the inspection and update the register records.	Cllr Smith
250716/9	<b>Matters For Information:</b> The Xmas Tree event date was confirmed as December 6 <sup>th</sup> .	
250716/10	The next meeting was confirmed as Wednesday September 17th 2025 in the Cochrane Room at 7 p.m.	

Approved By \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_