

**Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting**

**Held in the Village Hall on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 6 p.m.**

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**Councillors present:** Cllrs Ann Classen, Julian Grimshaw, Andrea Jordison, George Papadakis (Chair)

**In attendance:** Clerk Jane Carter, 3 members of the public, Cllr Mark Mackenzie-Charrington, Cllr Len Wilcox

**240318/1 Chairman's Opening Remarks:** Cllr Papadakis declared the meeting open.

**240318/2 Declarations of Interest:** None

**240318/3 Apologies for absence:** Cllr Paul Sinclair, S. Randles (Footpaths) S. Thomas (Trees/Flooding)

**240318/4 Public Session:** No comments

**240318/5 To receive an update and report from County Councillor, Mark Mackenzie-Charrington.** A report had been circulated. The Robin bus service was being better promoted. Machines had been purchased to carry out pothole repairs and were working effectively. Road resurfacing was a priority throughout the county.

**To receive update and report from Cotswold District Councillor Len Wilcox:** A report had been circulated. Cotswold District Council tax would be increasing by 5%.

**240318/6 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 :** Council approved the minutes, and these were signed by the Chairman.

**240318/7 Matters arising:**

- I. **Cotswolds Brewery licence application:** it was noted that this had been withdrawn. The clerk confirmed that any future applications would come directly to the council and that this one had been sent to Bourton on the Water Parish Council in error.
- II. **Annual insurance:** this was due for renewal and the schedule had been circulated. There were no changes. This was approved for payment once the final policy had been received
- III. **Gigaclear Broadband:** Gigaclear had notified the clerk they would be carrying out works in the village and Upper Slaughter later this year. A plan of works would be submitted to the council for information. This would be circulated once available.

**240318/8 Planning Applications:**

**To note:-**

24/00401/FUL | Conversion of barn to form dwelling (revised scheme) | Land Parcel At Wyck Road Lower Slaughter 417541 East 222458 West Wyck Road Lower Slaughter Gloucestershire- NO COMMENT

**240318/9 To consider and approve current financial status of PC accounts.**

- I. **The financial report had been circulated** (as attached) and was approved.
- II. **To note payments sanctioned since last meeting.** Noted
- III. **To consider and authorise payments due.** Payment to SLCC was approved
- IV. **Appointment of auditor:** it was agreed to appoint Steve Roberts as the internal auditor. The clerk would contact him.
- V. **Lloyds Bank Mandate:** existing signatories Cllrs Papadakis and Classen would be added to the online banking authority.

**240318/10 Reports from the Wardens:**

- I. **Neighbourhood Watch:-** Elaine McCormack reported there had been an issue with drones flying across the village. Villagers had been made aware that written permission was required for people to do this.
- II. **River:-** Quotes for the Weir project were now required. Stuart Thomas had agreed to write a scope which would be circulated to potential contractors. The estimated cost of the work had previously been £40K. The scope would be prepared and circulated with a view to a decision in May. Cllr Papakdais had been in contact with Thames Water regarding sewage issues within the village. Work had been hindered by the weather, but Thames Water were aware.
- III. **Rights of Way Report :** The PRWO had submitted a short report which was noted.
- IV. **Trees** The new trees had been planted
- V. **Highways :** nothing to report
- VI. **Flood and Snow:** nothing to report

**240318/11 Correspondence received:** The Clerk had received an email from the Chairman of Bourton Cricket Club asking the council to consider using the car park for visitor parking in the summer. This had been considered previously and it was agreed that as the approach to the car park was down a residential road, this would create too much traffic and nuisance for residents. Clerk would email and thanks them for the offer but decline.  
The contractor who cleans the bus shelter was stepping own. The clerk would seek a new contractor. It was felt twice a year cleaning would be sufficient and this would be monitored

**240318/12 Date of Next Meeting:** Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> 2024 opening with the Parish Meeting at 7 p.m. followed by the annual meeting

**Meeting ended:** 18.38 p.m.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Lower Slaughter Parish Council

## Finance Report for Meeting of 18th March 2024

### Current Financial Position (9.4)

29th February 2024

<b>Reserves Account</b>	£	50,004.00		
Reserved for Weir/River Repairs	£	20,000.00		
Reserved for TRO management	£	10,000.00		
Reserved for PROW Improvements	£	10,000.00		
Reserved for Village Projects	£	8,020.76		
Available Reserves	£	<b>1,983.24</b>	£	<b>1,983.24</b>
<b>Treasurer's Account</b>			£	<b>6,754.55</b>
			<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 8,737.79</b>

### Receipts since last meeting on

January 22nd, 2024

### Payments made since last meeting on

January 22nd 2024

Castle Water		£	8.27
Hugo Fox		£	11.99
Clerk Salary (4 months)		£	1,219.00
HMRC		£	306.60
Hugo Fox Feb		£	11.99
Stockwell Davies		£	2,694.00
SLCC Membership		£	45.80
		£	<b>4,297.65</b>

### Payments to be Noted/Approved by Council

#### Payments Sanctioned since last Meeting

Castle Water - water rates (Jan)	£	8.27
Castle Water - water rates (Feb)	£	8.27
Hugo Fox Website Jan	£	11.99
Hugo Fox Website Feb	£	11.99
Clerk Salary	£	1,219.00
HMRC	£	306.60
Stockwell Davies	£	2,694.00

#### Payments to be APPROVED

SLCC Membership	£	45.80
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#### Additional Signature for Approval of Payments:

Initials:    Date:

Signature:

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