

# BIBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024

4 members of the public were present. Angus Hay from Bibury Trout Farm was present and informed the Council that Charles Baillie-Hamilton, the owner of the field on the left at The Pike, would be approachable for the field being used for coach parking and this is being progressed by Bibury Trout Farm. He also drew attention to efforts in the Upper Coln volunteers regarding river pollution to which the Trout Farm are willing to help. Harvey Sherwood and Gilbert Chalk are part of this venture.

**100/24 Apologies:** The Clerk and Michelle Holt.

**101/24 Declaration of Interest:** None.

**102/24 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2004:** Approved.

**103/24 To receive reports from County & District Councillors:** Lisa Spivey was unable to attend but Cllr Fowles was present, his report is available on the Parish Council website but he raised the issue of a resident of Quarry Bungalows who, on exiting to the main road and turning right has very poor sightlines which cause cars to drive into the middle of the road before they can view traffic, this is a danger and she asks if there is a solution. The problem is caused by parked cars in the lay-by to the right of a car exiting Quarry Bungalows.

**104/24 To receive the Highways Report, including an update on the Overtourism/Parking Meeting from Cllr Craig Chapman:** The Chairman, Cllr Chapman, gave a detailed report on the meeting regarding Overtourism/Parking and, although it was said that “Bibury is not a suitable destination for coaches” it was decided that more evidence is required and it is hoped that a further meeting including Don Morris, David Owen & Jason Humm will take place.

**Speed Camera Signage:** It is anticipated that these will be erected 18<sup>th</sup> November.

**Overhanging Hedges:** There are still some overhanging hedges in the village which restrict pedestrian’s use of the pavement. One is on the right going uphill from the Trout Farm and one overhanging the wall on the left going uphill from The Street.

**105/24 To receive an update on the Local Green Spaces application:** We do need to complete the “Toolkit” and should reference other applications of which we are aware. From January 2025 and for a 12 week period applications should be submitted.

**106/24 Emergency Plan:**

- a. **To agree a Lead Co-ordinator, Deputy & Members for the Initial Response Team:** Lead was to be Cllr Craig Chapman with Philip Challinor as Deputy and Michelle Holt supporting. It was also pointed out that the Trout Farm with their spring for water and facilities would be happy to be part of the emergency plan resources. A schedule of resources should be drawn up. In an emergency the Government accepts liability for voluntary help.
- b. **To approve spending for essential items:** A sum of £250 was agreed.
- c. **To approve the Draft Plan:** Approved.

**107/24 To receive the Clerk's Report:** This was received.

**108/24 Finance:**

- a. **To agree payments in accordance with the budget:** Agreed.
- b. **To consider & approve a grant request for £40 for the Christmas Lunches:**  
This was agreed and was for the Baptist Church.
- c. **To consider purchasing a new bench for Ablington from CIL Funds:** Agreed at a cost of £855.

**109/24 Planning:**

- a. **To consider any new Planning, Licences application or Enforcement issues:**
  - I. **Swan Hotel Tree Work:** Agreed.
  - II. **10 & 11 The Street:** Objections to the Planters on the narrow pavement but otherwise approved.
  - III. **Field House, Ablington:** Tree work on apple – Agreed.
  - IV. **Rosemary Cottage Door:** Agreed.
  - V. **Barn House, Hawker's Hill:** Agreed.
  - VI. **Ablington Manor:** Agreed.
  - VII. **Create 2 Parking Places in The Square, Bibury:** No comment although some felt the loss of the small green space in an otherwise built-up area was a loss.

**110/24 Councillor Submissions:** Cllr Skarda notified the Parish Council that 6 month's notice on the lease of the Village Hall has been received by Bibury United Charities following the death of the caretaker, Mrs Chivers.

**111/24 Date of Next Meeting:** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024