

**MINUTES OF BROOKTHORPE-WITH-WHADDON  
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT BROOKTHORPE VILLAGE HALL ON  
TUESDAY 4 MARCH 2025 AT 7.30PM**

**Present:** Cllr John Hendry (Chair)  
Cllr Paul Gaze (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr Eric Hibbert  
Cllr Rhodri Stokes-Rhys

**In attendance:** Roy Balgobin (Locum Clerk) Reporting  
Cllr Demelza Turner-Wilkes (District Councillor)  
Turley Planning Consultants  
5 Members of the Public

**PARISHONER QUESTIONS:**

A Member of the public asked about the progress regarding the Parish Council merging with another Parish Council. The Locum Clerk, through the Chairman advised that this request should be considered during the Annual Parish Meeting.

A Member of the Parish wished to extend his sincere thanks to the litter pick team which recently undertook an excellent litter pick throughout the parish.

It was reported that the hedge 'over the road' has now been cut, he also reported upon a loose drain cover on the Highway, outside 12 Hillmead. The Locum Clerk agreed to report this matter to Highways.

It was reported that the 'Belong School' have now vacated the premises in Whaddon.

Concern was raised regarding inappropriate parking along Church Lane by a local business, it was agreed that Cllr Hibbert will speak with the business owners.

**Cllr Rhodri Stokes-Rhys joined the meeting at this point.**

**PRESENTATION from Turley Planning Consultants.**

The Council received a presentation from Turley Planning Consultants in respect of a proposed outline planning application for up to 250 properties along Nass Lane, details of Highways improvements and access were presented. Members of the Public and the Council raised concerns that the already over capacitated highways infrastructure would not be able to take any more vehicles but would await the outline application before making further comments.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted from County Councillor Susan Williams.

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA:**

Cllr Eric Hibbert declared an Interest in Agenda Item 7 – EBR 25 / 26.

**3. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4 FEBRUARY 2025:**

The Council agreed to amend Minutes 6 to reflect EBR 25 and not EBR 26, subject to this amendment the minutes were duly signed by the Chair as an accurate record of the meeting.

**4. TO CONSIDER ANY CO-OPTION REQUESTS:**

None had been received at this time

**5. REPORTS:**

- (a) County Councillor Susan Williams, the County Councillor report had been received and circulated to the Members prior to the meeting.
- (b) District Councillor Demelza Turner-Wilkes report was circulated prior to the meeting, additionally concerns were raised in respect of bright security lights from Gal Asbestos and several potential enforcement breaches which the District Cllr agreed to pursue.
- (c) Police Report there was no report received.

**6. PLANNING:**

S.24/2287/FUL - Proposed new highway access and upgrade of existing access track. Land Adjacent to Rose Cottage Stroud Road Whaddon Gloucester. The Locum Clerk reported that despite the Council wishing to object to this application no LPPF or Local Plan policy breaches could be identified.

**7. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY EBR 25 / 26.**

The Council received a report on PROW EBR 25 / 26

**8. TO CONSIDER AND VOTE UPON THE GLOUCESTERSHIRE PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL (GAPTC) CHANGE OF STATUS TO A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE**

The Council agreed to support both motions.

**9. TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE PROPOSED WHADDON FIELDS DEVELOPMENT AND LOCAL PLAN:**

An update was received on the proposed Whaddon Fields Development.

**10. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE STRUCTURAL CONDITION OF ST SWITHUNS CHURCH:**

The Parish Council were advised that Trustee will be visiting the Church on 13 May at 2.30 pm.

**11. FINANCE:**

- (a) **Accounts for payment.** The following accounts were presented for payment:

<b>Accounts for payment March 2025</b>			
<b>Payee</b>	<b>Chq Number</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Reason</b>
T Balgobin	1297	£ 519.12	Salary / Expenses (February 25)
HMRC	1298	£ 121.00	Tax / NI (February 25)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£640.12</b>	

The Council unanimously approve the above payments be made.

(b) To consider and agree to renew the GAPTC Subscription.  
**The Council unanimously agreed to renew its subscription with GAPTC.**

(c) To consider and agree a quote to move to GOV.UK email accounts.  
**The Council unanimously agreed to accept the quotation to move to .gov.uk email accounts.**

**12. TO CONSIDER AND AGREE ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:**

The members put forward suggested items which will be investigated and considered for inclusion on the next agenda by the Clerk.

**13. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 1 April 2025 @ 7.45pm in Brookthorpe Village Hall**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS  
THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.52pm**

**Signed: ..... Dated: .....**