

Minutes of the Woolaston Parish Council Planning &
Development Control Committee.
Held on Thursday 10th September 2015 8.00pm at the
Woolaston Memorial Hall

1 Apologies for Absence:

DH & SR

2 To approve minutes for the meeting of 9th July 2015

Proposed MF and seconded MG

3 Declarations of interest:

None

4 To receive representations from the previous meeting:

None

**5 To consider the following applications submitted by the
Local Planning Authority:**

P1310/15/FUL Support with no objections

P1185/15/FUL – Support with no objections

6 Correspondence

None.

7 Any other business

8 Closure and date for next meeting:

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3 Public Open Forum

John Bryant – Concerned about the state and repair of Netherend and the centre of the village, overgrown walkways, broken concrete, worn tarmac, pavements are full of weeds the road spray is a problem for people on the pavements as the water sits on the road. MF suggested we required someone to champion a redevelopment of the area. The PC has no jurisdiction over private properties and taxed and insured vehicles which are parked on the public highway which are possibly considered unsightly. MG responded that we report potholes on a regular basis and overgrown rights of way. AL seconded MG's point that the damage to the roads and the pot holes are reported nearly every month. MF suggested that there is strength in numbers and the more people who report issues to the highways the better the chances are that work will be carried out. AL said that he finds that visitors often compliment the village. Mr Warren (parishioner) seconded the point that the hedges and trees over the path leading towards the school on the right on the entrance to the village.

It was suggested that we ask R Cole to quote for removal of weeds and write to the home owners of the trees and shrubs alongside the path.

MF said that the PC doesn't receive reports from parishioners very often but often talk about it amongst themselves. The public gallery asked for the PC's contact details to be more readily available as the website is currently down. Letter from parishioner, Derek Lockey, covered the same points raised so the council will raise the issues.

Mr Warren reported on his findings on the village footpaths – he deemed 9/10ths of the paths are impassable due to them being overgrown, crops planted across ROW and barbed wire on gates, in addition to this a footpath sign has been removed from the path going away from the A48, at the junction of multiple footpaths, a style has been removed from the same area and a

fence put in. Photographs have been taken farmers have been informed and barbed wire removed and maize cleared from ROWs. MF suggested that Mr Warren also report it to Gloucestershire Highways. The PC will also report the issues to Gloucestershire Highways.

4 To confirm Minutes 9th July:

Proposed MG and RS seconded.

Matters arising from the meeting of 9th July 2014

None

To consider the following matters:

5.1 Policing Issues

5.1 PCK to invite PCSO to attend next meeting.

5.2 Highways and Footpaths

5.3 A48 weeds and brambles alongside the A48 reported to Highways in July is still overgrown. The PCK will re-report.

5.4 Fly tipping should always be reported directly to GCC.

5.5 Potholes on Severn View Road between 64 and The Reddings.

5.3 Maintenance

5.3.1 Churchyard and cemetery update. RS still going through planning. We have received a letter from the County Archaeologist. A requirement for an investigative trench to check for archaeological artefacts. MF contacted DAGS to carry out these works as an essential part of the planning process. MF updated further. He had contact from DAGS to carry out these works at the cost of approximately £600 if a large trench is required. If only a small trench is required there would be very little cost. RS said that the cemetery fell into a DMV (Deserted Medieval Village), it was also presumed that there may be a Roman road crossing the site. The area also needs to be fenced off as people are using it for parking and this needs to be discouraged. MF asked for approval to spend approximately £50 to chain it off. This was approved without objection. The Church and Cemetery Sub-committee is to be formed with MF, MG and RS with Mr Philip Blatchley co-opted. It was agreed by the non-committee members of the council that the C&CSC were able to spend up to £250 without coming to the Parish Council for approval.

5.4 Financial Report of the Financial Officer

Account balance was received.

11 To approve accounts; all accounts were approved without objection for the following:

Litter picking Carol Southee - £130 approved
Merlin Waste – £27.12 approved
Grant Thornton - £125 approved

13 To receive other correspondence posted on the Members portal/Notice Board/Facebook page:

Web links to a variety of support and information websites sent to Parish.clerk@woolaston.org.uk

14 Other matters – AOB

14.1 Letter from a Mr Lockey covered in the public forum discussions.

14.2 Meeting in reference to the appeal from Mrs Fraser on Severnweye Farm. MF had confirmed from the FODDC that the PC letter (approved in the last meeting) would be acknowledged in association with the appeal.

15 To consider and other items deemed by the Chairman as urgent

None

16 Date for next meeting: Thursday 8th October 2015