

**Minutes of the Meeting of Frampton Cotterell Parish Council**  
**7 December 2011**  
**Held at the Brokeridge Centre, Woodend Road, Frampton Cotterell**

**Present:** Councillors Clothier, (*Chairman*) Broome, Mrs Crumpton, Farbrother, D Hockey (*part*), P Hockey, Mrs Morris, Underhill, Weeks and Mrs Williams.

**Apologies:** Councillors Forsyth, Mrs Stickland and Thomson

**In Attendance:** Messrs D Ley & A Sparks – Indepower Solar Energy

**253 Evacuation Procedure**

The Chairman drew attention to the emergency evacuation procedure.

**254 Declarations of Interest under the Local Government Act 1972**

- Cllr Broome declared a personal interest as a Parish Council representative on Frampton Cotterell Over 50s Computer Group.
- Cllr P Hockey declared that the participation of those Parish Councillors who are also members of South Gloucestershire District Council in both the debate and any subsequent vote on matters contained in the agenda would be on the basis that the views expressed were preliminary views taking account of the information currently available to the Parish Council. Parish Council members who are also District Councillors reserved their final views until they were in full possession of all relevant information both for and against.

**255 Confirmation of Minutes - 23 November 2011**

Referring to Minute 236, Cllr Mrs Williams asked if the neighbourhood representative had withdrawn her resignation after receiving her apology. The Chairman confirmed that she had left the post. It was then proposed by Cllr Weeks, seconded by Cllr Underhill and

**RESOLVED:**

- That the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 23 November 2011 be confirmed and signed.

**256 PC Simmons reported:**

- Commercial burglaries are up due to theft of lead on buildings, although progress is being made to catch the offenders.
- Thefts of and from vehicles is down.

He then explained that reports would be delivered to the Parish Council in future at quarterly intervals owing to the loss of twelve and a half PCSO man-hours. He confirmed that any pressing issues however, would be reported to the Clerk and in turn the Council should inform the Clerk of anything urgent to be brought to the attention of the Police. He confirmed that he would next attend a meeting of the Council in February 2012.

The Council thanked PC Simmons for his valuable guidance and agreed to pass on information about crime prevention over the Christmas period.

Cllr P Hockey commented on a phone call she had received from a parishioner asking for clarification on incidents happening at The Meads. PC Simmons confirmed that it only involved one individual who is now subject to an ASB and that the Police and the ASB Team were working with the housing agency to improve the situation.

**257 Installation of solar panels at the Pavilion: Presentation from Indepower**

Information packs were circulated at the meeting. Mr Sparks gave a brief background on the Bristol-based Company and explained the following:

- That it is possible to run two 4KWP solar arrays on the Pavilion's two meters.
- That they would recommend REC & Hyundai solar panels, edged in black or silver.
- That the panels are guaranteed for 10 years with a 90% efficiency guarantee for a further 25 years
- That all figures shown within the quotation and presentation do NOT allow for any rise in electricity costs
- That 50% of all usage will be paid by the energy companies until Smart Meters are rolled out by 2020
- That for the first quarter of next year the rate will be 43p, reducing thereafter
- That the next available slot for installation was the third week in January 2012

Cllr Farbrother offered to check out the robustness of the company's proposals with his technical colleagues and report back. Following a proposal by Cllr Farbrother, seconded by Mrs Williams with all in favour it was:

**RESOLVED:**

- To accept Indepower's quotation to install solar panel heating for two 4.00 KWP solar arrays (*one for each meter*) at the Pavilion, School Road
- To choose the REC solar heating panels with black edging subject to the following:
  1. Cllr Farbrother's response must be received by Monday 12<sup>th</sup>
  2. The Council reserves the right to re-consider the item if required following Cllr Farbrother's response
  3. The Clerk makes relevant enquiries with the Councils' Insurance Company
  4. That delegation is given to The Clerk to progress with the work when satisfied all of the requirements have been met

Cllr Mrs Williams requested a cash flow forecast on the budget set for 2011/12 for the next meeting.

**258 Notes of Tree/Shrub Management Working Group – 28 November 2011**

Following a proposal by Cllr Mrs Morris, seconded by Cllr Underhill it was:

**RESOLVED:**

- That all of the proposals within the report be approved.

**259 Review of the trial of fortnightly Council Meetings**

The Committee considered a report from The Clerk. Following a proposal by Cllr Mrs Williams, with all in favour, it was:

**RESOLVED:**

- That the system of fortnightly Council Meetings be confirmed and continued.

*Cllr D Hockey entered the meeting*

**260 FC & District Twinning Association: Gift for Kelbra**

**RESOLVED:**

- To supply a framed photograph to the Twinning Association.
- To enquire with Mr. Handy if he already has any photographs that the Parish Council could use.
- To produce up to six photos for the next meeting when a decision on one can be taken.

**261 SGC Consultation: Shop Fronts and Advertisements Supplementary Planning Document**

**RESOLVED:**

- To reply to SGC that the Parish Council agrees with all of the proposals within the consultation.

**262 Planning Applications**

**RESOLVED:**

- That the comments attached at Appendix 1 be referred to SGC for consideration.

**263 Planning Decisions****RESOLVED:**

- That the planning decisions at Appendix 2 be noted.

**264 Suspected breaches of Planning Control***Response from SGC – 119 Bristol Road*

SGC had reported that following a visit to the above address it was confirmed that only one of the four signs refers to ‘Ben’s Tiles and Reclamation’ and therefore is permitted.

Whilst Members noted the information, it was:

**RESOLVED:**

- To respond to SGC requesting the proliferation of all signage at the above address is investigated.

**265 Accounts**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Crumpton seconded by Cllr Weeks and

**RESOLVED:** That the Accounts dated 7 December 2011, as set out at Appendix 3 in the amount of £1848.76, be approved.

**266 Correspondence Received**

The following correspondence was noted:

*SGC-Enforcing the “No cardboard in green wheeled bins” policy*

**267 Bell Road clearance works**

Cllr D Hockey reported to the meeting that Leyhill prison would not require toilet facilities.

**268 Items for the meeting on 11 January 2012****RESOLVED:**

- To review the evacuation procedure (*item 2 of the Agenda refers*).
- Bell Road Clearance – to consider options for the removal of the bramble.
- SGC Core Strategy Consultation – responses due within seven weeks.

**269 Date of next meeting - WEDNESDAY 21 DECEMBER 2011 AT 7.30PM AT THE BROCKERIDGE CENTRE****RESOLVED:**

- This meeting will only consider planning applications that cannot wait until the first meeting in January.
- The Council meeting to comprise Cllrs Clothier (Chairman), Broome, Mrs Crumpton, Farbrother, P Hockey, Mrs Morris and Weeks together with other Councillors should they be available.

**Appendix 1**

No	Type	No/Name	Road Name	Proposed Development	Observation
3716	F	1	The Ridge	Erection of side conservatory.	No Objection
3436	NMA	4	Western Avenue	Non material amendment to PT11/1627/F to replace kitchen window with doors.	No Objection
3692	TRE	84	Rectory Road	Works to clean, crown remove dead wood, fallen branches and prune by 15% the lateral branches of 1 no. Cedar tree covered by South Gloucestershire Tree Preservation Order 364 (138 School Road, Frampton Cotterell) dated 23rd January 1985.	No Objection
3732	CLE	21	Blackberry Drive	Application for certificate of lawfulness for the existing use of rear conservatory.	No Objection