

## Gosford and Water Eaton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the council held at West Kidlington Primary School  
on  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 7pm

*Meeting commenced at 7pm*

**Councillors present:** Cllr Clive Stayt, Cllr Merlin Smith, Cllr Suzanne McIvor, Cllr Carol Matheson.

**To receive and accept apologies of absence from:** Cllr Nick Duval, Cllr Nigel Simpson, Cllr Ian Middleton, Cllr Suzanne Wilson-Higgins.

**Other attendees:** The clerk

**24/439 Declarations of interest:** Cllr Merlin farming within area of development potential. Cllr McIvor is part of Friends of Stratfield Brake.

**24/440 Public Participation:** None

**24/441 To confirm the minutes of the previous council meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024.  
Proposed Cllr C Stayt, Seconded Cllr Smith

**24/442 Update on progress and matters arising from the minutes held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024:** Nothing that is not covered further in the agenda.

Cllr Merlin Smith – The sign at Water Eaton Lane is still not fixed. The yellow lines at Water Eaton Lane are also still not in place.

CDC – The caravans at Kingsbridge look very permanent. The clerk will ask our County Officers to see if they can investigate.

Cllr Stayt – Liaison County officer – no update on what they cover – Cllr Mawson / Cllr Middleton to share an update at the next meeting.

**24/443 To receive reports from Parish, District and County Councillors.**

No reports.

**24/444 To ask questions regarding the clerk's report and summary**

No reports.

**24/445 Financial Matters**

(24/445.01) It was **RESOLVED** to approve the payments as detailed in the clerk's report (detailed below). Payments are made via online banking with Unity bank which is now in place.

Finance committee receive copies of the invoices to review ahead of the meeting. Statutory payments were already authorised and have been paid via standing order.

Statutory salaries, HMRC, pensions already approved and set up – All to be made via online banking. These are set up by the RFO to be clicked in the approvals list.

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1 x clerks salary set up

1 x RFO salary set up

1 x pension payment set up

1 x HMRC payment set up

Clerk office expenses September £53.10

Moore audit invoice £504

West Kidlington venue hire August - £65

£confidential relates to payroll figures – these figures are shared with councillors. They are approved annually.

**24/446 Planning:**

(24/446.01) Application 24/02256/F – Objection: The pre application advice seemed to suggest the additional dwelling should be single storey but that doesn't seem to have been taken into account. According to drawings the two storey and single storey proposed seems to have been ignored.

Should this proposal go ahead we strongly suggest consideration for double yellow lines due to the corner location of the property.

(24/446.02) Application 24/00539/F – Erection of Oxford United Stadium.

Council have already resolved to object to this and the detail of this will be published on our website and submitted to Cherwell District Council planning department.

**24/447 Items for information and next agenda only.**

The council needs a fix my street super user. The clerk has reached out to councillors but will defer to next meeting if no one volunteers.

The council may wish to do another tree giveaway. The clerk will get some tree costs from Bunkers Hill based on 50.

**24/448 Date of the next full council meeting** – 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 - 7pm West Kidlington Primary School.

November meeting will be delayed until 12<sup>th</sup> November to avoid clashing with Kidlington Parish fireworks display which is on 5<sup>th</sup> November.

*(Carol Matheson sends apologies in advance for November meeting).*

*Meeting ends 8.15pm*