

Minutes of the of **Cainscross Town Council's Full Council Meeting** held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024 commencing at **6.00pm**.

Present: Councillors: Adrian Cross (Chair)  
Clive White (Vice Chair)  
Deb Balster  
David Dale  
Gavin Lindsay  
Linda Stinchcombe  
Az Jasat  
Chris Stanley

In Attendance: Clerk: Jeni Marshall  
Project Officer: Liane James

Also in attendance: County Councillor John Bloxsom  
District Councillor Jenny Miles

Apologies: James Booker  
Christine Fewster  
Elaine Burnett

**FC214/24** To receive apologies  
Apologies were received from Cllrs. Booker, Burnett and Fewster

**FC215/24** To confirm the minutes of the last meeting of the Council  
The minutes of the last meeting of the Council (26 February 24) were approved and duly signed.

**FC216/24** To receive any declarations of interest  
None received

**FC217/24** To receive the chairman's announcements  
The Chair reminded members to get their nomination papers into District Council in good time.

**FC218/24** To receive any representations or questions from members of the public  
None present

**FC219/24** To receive the officer reports  
The Project Officer gave the following report:

**Pump track:** in response to the TC's views that it cannot justify the expense of a full asphalt track when so much has already been invested in Victory Park, two new specialist providers have been approached to quote for non-asphalt construction. A budget of around £35,000 was put to them. Velo Solutions – which had agreed to quote for an asphalt track – quickly confirmed they could only install a run of jumps for that budget.

One of the new contractors (B1ke) has made a site visit and is confident it can build a track for around that budget. There would also be a charge of around £1,500 for a full set of plans and council/user consultation, but that would be taken off the

final cost. It is in the process of confirming what was said in writing. We would be able to get the track done this year if we can get the remaining funding needed.

B1ke has provided support and training to Whiteshill & Ruscombe PC for its bike jumps – the clerk there thoroughly recommends them.

The second new provider will get back to us after the Easter holiday.

The Tesco blue token voting will end on 31<sup>st</sup> March. The results will take a few weeks, but we appear to be first or second placed – either £1,500 or £1,000 towards the pump track.

Other funding is also being applied for.

**Playgrounds at Elm Road and Ashway Court:** starting to pull together previous community consultations to address any gaps and approach providers with a brief. Looking at both playgrounds as one project. Have confirmed with National Lottery that there is nothing stopping us applying for another large grant and will also start looking for other funding.

- FC220/24** To receive any reports from County and District Councillors  
Reports were noted from District Councillor Jenny Miles and County Councillor John Bloxsom (attached appendix A & B).  
  
CC Bloxsom also confirmed he will give us remaining Build Back Better funding (£3,464) for the bike pump track.
- FC221/24** To note the minutes of the last Finance and Staffing meeting  
The minutes of the Finance and Staffing committee were noted.
- FC222/24** To approve Legionella training for the Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Groundman  
On-line training was approved for the Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Groundman at £60 per person.
- FC223/24** To consider the Internal Audit report and agree any actions from recommendations  
The Internal Audit was noted. Members were pleased to see that it was an excellent audit with just a few recommendations which it was resolved to action.

#### Planning, Highways, Amenities and Recreation

- FC224/24** To consider the following planning applications.  
- S.24/0367/HHOLD - 47 Westward Road Stroud – Proposed single storey rear extension with the installation of a rooflight. - SUPPORT  
- S.24/0309/LBC- 288 Westward Road, Ebley – Erection of a replacement roof on lean-to. - SUPPORT  
- S.24/0412/TCA- Flat 1 Cainscross House 76 Westward Road- Yew tree-fell - SUPPORT
- FC225/24** To note any planning decisions  
These will be noted at the next meeting of the Council due to time constraints.

- FC226/24** To review the contract for Smiths waste collection and review alternative quotations  
The Clerk asked for this item to be deferred as she needed to check some details. It was resolved to refer this item to the next Recreation meeting.
- FC227/24** To consider a price increase for the cleaning contract  
The price increase was approved.
- FC228/24** To consider and confirm new quotations for sound reduction for Pavilion Hall  
Three quotations were considered, and it was agreed to award the work to Resonics who offered the best price.
- FC229/24** To consider signage for QEII and Victory Park play areas regarding dogs and bikes  
It was resolved that the Clerk create and order both signs as well as new signs for the planters at Cainscross.
- FC230/24** To note any training / meetings attended by staff or Councilors  
The Clerk, Project Officer and Administrator attended a meeting run by Gloucester Rural Community Council regarding sound reduction, grant funding and biodiversity. The Clerk did not feel this was the most useful training as it was a very light touch approach.  
Councillor White and the Project Officer attended the Nailsworth Community Energy Network meeting.  
Councillor Lindsay attended an on-line Police and Crime Commissioner meeting and reported that the Neighbourhood Policing Teams are proving to be effective and that there has been a surge in car crime, in particular steeling things from the cars  
Councillor Balster attended the 'Be a Better Councillor' training run by GAPTC which she recommended and found to be very useful.
- FC231/24** To consider any items for inclusion on future agendas  
Nothing requested.
- FC232/24** To confirm the date and time of the next meeting of the Full Council.  
The next meeting of the Full Council will be held on the 29 April 2024

*The meeting concluded at 7.15*

Signed

Dated

#### Actions

<b>FC222/24</b>	Book Legionlla training for Clerk,Assistant Clerk and Groundsman	Clerk
<b>FC224/24</b>	Send in planning responses	Administrator
<b>FC226/24</b>	Check Trade waste quotes and refer to RecrEation	Assistant Clerk
<b>FC228/24</b>	Order Resonics sound proofing	Assistant Clerk
<b>FC229/24</b>	Order signs	Clerk