

WESTERLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL



NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

This meeting is to be held on Monday October 12th at 7pm
This meeting will be held online using Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86992219126?pwd=U0xiTGs1YmJ4bjRQZEZNdkFERkFMUT09>

Meeting ID: 869 9221 9126 Passcode: 790010

Members of the Public All members of the public wishing to join the meeting should join, activate their video camera and remain 'on mute' unless they have made arrangements with the Parish Clerk to speak.

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability), Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.

AGENDA

1. Welcome by the Chairman to this online meeting of Westerleigh Parish Council
2. Apologies for absence
3. Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011
4. Council to elect or consider role of Vice Chair
5. Reports from South Gloucestershire Councillors on matters relating to the Parish

First Covid-19 Community Testing Unit Opens in South Gloucestershire

The first coronavirus testing facility in South Gloucestershire opened on Thursday 1st October. The centre is located at the University of the West of England's Frenchay Campus. It features drive-through testing for residents and a walk-through service for students as part of the Government's UK-wide drive to improve the accessibility of coronavirus testing. The unit will be run on behalf of the Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC) and will reduce, but not eliminate, the need for people with symptoms to travel further afield to be tested.

Testing at the new site will operate on a strictly appointment-only basis. Current Government guidance is that only those with symptoms should book a test. This can be done through <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119. Residents must not turn up at the site if they have not booked an appointment beforehand. Anybody who turns up without an appointment will be turned away.

Residents should book to take a test if they develop symptoms of coronavirus; they must only leave their home to travel to a testing facility. If residents or members of their household/support bubble have symptoms of coronavirus, have tested positive for coronavirus, or have been told by NHS Test and Trace that they have been in contact with someone with coronavirus they should immediately self-isolate.

Problems Raised at The Manor School Playing Field

The headteacher and the board of governors at The Manor Church of England Primary School have raised a number of problems they are facing when trying to use The Manor School Playing Field with pupils. These include safeguarding challenges, anti-social behaviour, dog mess and dangerous items being found on the field. District councillors held a preliminary meeting with the headteacher, the vice-chair of the school governors and Sue Webber (School Projects Officer at South Gloucestershire Council) to hear about the extent of these problems, the history of the site as well as other factors affecting its usage. The school is keen to enter discussions with South Gloucestershire Council, Westerleigh Parish Council and the wider community about the problems they are experiencing. The aim would be to explore possible solutions

that will enable pupils to safely use the field without squandering a public open space that parishioners have used for recreational enjoyment for over a century.

The Yate Town Improvement Masterplan Public Engagement Launches

A public engagement exercise on the long-term vision for improving Yate has been launched. This will enable residents to tell South Gloucestershire Council what they want to see featured in the forthcoming masterplan which will be developed using the feedback received. The Yate Town Improvement Masterplan will be put together alongside partners including Yate Town Council and Yate Shopping Centre. It will build upon and enhance the town's existing strengths to ensure it remains a great place to live, work and visit. This public engagement runs until Monday 16th November.

As part of this, a dedicated website – <https://yatefuture.com/> – has been set up to allow the local community to view the vision and potential opportunities for Yate and to have their say through an interactive map and feedback form. This feedback will help refine emerging ideas and identify new opportunities to be included in the masterplan (which will be put to consultation next year).

Consultations

South Gloucestershire Council has published a further five draft Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) as it continues to review its current planning documents and supplementary guidance. This forms part of the preparatory work as officers embark on the process of drafting a new Local Plan to replace both the Core Strategy and the Policies, Sites and Places Plan. The consultations for all five of these SPDs end on 4th January 2021. The five topics are:

- Trees and Development SPD (https://consultations.southglos.gov.uk/consult.ti/Trees_SPD20)
- Sustainable Drainage Systems SPD (https://consultations.southglos.gov.uk/consult.ti/SuDS_SPD20)
- Self Build SPD (https://consultations.southglos.gov.uk/consult.ti/Self_Build2020/)
- Affordable Housing SPD (https://consultations.southglos.gov.uk/consult.ti/AH_SPD20)
- Green Infrastructure SPD (https://consultations.southglos.gov.uk/consult.ti/GI_SPD20)

South Gloucestershire Council has carried out work to pedestrianise Thornbury High Street and to install new cycling lanes to the west of Yate (on Badminton Road and Station Road). Both schemes involved the use of Experimental Traffic Orders (ETOs) which have a statutory requirement for public consultations to run simultaneously alongside of them. At the end of the ETOs eighteen month duration the changes that have been implemented may become permanent. The details of the Thornbury consultation can be found at https://consultations.southglos.gov.uk/consult.ti/PT.6609_Thornbury_High_St._E.T.O and runs until 31st January 2021. The Yate cycle lane consultation can be found at <https://consultations.southglos.gov.uk/consult.ti/StationCycle>. It ends on 24th February 2021.

6. Pre-arranged items from members of Public
 - (a) Beech Hill Farm complaint
 - (b) Statement from The Manor Church of England Primary re the school playing field
7. Parish Councillor Reports – written submissions, taken as read with questions taken as necessary
8. Council to Approve Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 14.9.2020
9. Council to note Draft Minutes of F & GP meeting 5.10.2020 and approve any necessary items
10. Council to consider Planning Applications (other than those dealt with under COVID-19 Standing orders)
11. Council to consider way forward with Emergency Plan
12. Council to receive information or consider/approve matters relating to the Lake/Chalet site including
 - New Chalet
 - Otter fencing
13. Council to receive information or consider/approve matters relating to Tree works across the Parish
14. Council to discuss ideas for use of Community Benefit money
15. Committee to consider/approve any Grant Applications and to note those made under COVID-19 powers since last meeting including:
16. Committee to receive Clerk report regarding ongoing matters and approve where relevant including:
 - Communicating with residents

Sport & wellbeing opportunities for Primary children in the Parish
Details of final PWLB loan drawdown and payment plan

17. Council to receive ideas and proposals from Manor School around the use of the playing field and agree next actions
This item will be covered as part of the District Councillor report in Item 5 and the statement from the school in item 6
18. Council to consider RESOLUTION to continue with Delegated Powers to the Clerk
19. Council to consider RESOLUTION to continue dealing with Planning Applications by email with the Clerk
Applications & comments are listed on: <http://www.westerleighparishcouncil.org.uk/parishioners-planning/>
20. Correspondence/Communication with Westerleigh Parish Council
From SGC
PT.6679 - SGC (Beesmoor Road, Coalpit Heath) (Temporary Prohibition of Use by Vehicles) Order 2020 (3 days at end of October)

Supplementary Planning Document Consultations – see below.

Community Engagement Forum virtual meeting dates:
Frome Valley Nov 4th 7pm-8pm Boyd Valley 1st December 10am-11am

Other
Swift Sports Coaching: Sport & wellbeing opportunities for Primary children in your Parish community
Avon Wildlife Trust – Says Court Farm events 28th October

21. Council to consider responses to Consultations

Green Infrastructure Supplementary Planning Document

This SPD provides information to support existing Local Plan policies to ensure that green infrastructure (GI) is adequately conserved and enhanced throughout the development process. www.southglos.gov.uk/gisspd2020.

Self-build & Custom Housebuilding Supplementary Planning Document

This SPD provides information to support existing Local Plan policies to provide guidance and advice to developers, landowners, aspiring self and custom house builders and the community, to enable the delivery of self-build and custom homes through successful planning applications. www.southglos.gov.uk/selfbuildspd.

Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) Supplementary Planning Document

The SPD provides information to support existing Local Plan policies referencing best practice and details of how to achieve a well-designed climate change resilient SUDs scheme, compliant with both national and local requirements that not only manages and mitigates against surface water flood risk, but also provides improvements to and enhances water quality, local biodiversity, water storage and amenity
www.southglos.gov.uk/sudsspd2020.

Trees and Development Sites Supplementary Planning Document

This SPD provides information to support existing Local Plan policies covering practical guidance and advice on how trees can be incorporated into new development, conserving and enhancing the existing trees, climate change resilience considerations, groups and woodlands within a scheme and optimisation of woodland nature recovery connectivity. www.southglos.gov.uk/treesspd.

22. Items considered urgent or exempt by the Chairman
23. Dates of future Parish Council meetings/Committee meetings
Date tbc - Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting Zoom
November 9th 2020 Full Parish Council meeting Zoom
December 7th 2020 Full Parish Council meeting Zoom
SWSimmons
Parish Clerk 8.10.2020