

Minutes of the Meeting of Brimpsfield Parish Council at the Village Hall on TUESDAY the 22nd October 2019 at 7.30pm for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Welcome members of the public by the Chair of Council

- 1) Attendance recorded as Councillors' Tom Overbury, Jane Parsons, Claire Jardine, Michael McWilliam, Roger Lock and Archie Larthe. One member of the public attended.
- 2) Council received apologies for absence from Parish Councillor Heather Eaton
- 3) Council received no Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda.
- 4) Council approved the minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held on the 17th September 2019 which then duly signed
- 5) Council received a question on a notice placed on the village notice board from the public.
- 6) Council received no reports from District Councillor or County Councillor as relevant to matters on this agenda
- 7) Council noted that planning application - 19/03492/FUL Proposed Alterations to Access Track at Woodfield House Caudle Green Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL53 9PR has been **withdrawn at present time**.
- 8) **Highways matters- consultation on A417 –Council agreed its response**
in particular, green elements of the proposal received positive comments. Section 1 –Brockworth to Shab Hill - in favour- general feeling was positive. Section 2 – Proposed green bridge- very much in favour and would applaud efforts to encourage environmental elements. Section 3-Cowley Junction – Concerns were raised regarding a continuation of the current “rat run” towards Painswick/Stroud areas that may be encouraged by this junction.

After some discussion, it was felt that Brimpsfield might be more inconvenienced by the removal of the proposed junction and therefore, on balance, it was considered that the junction should remain
However, the Parish Council continues to have concerns that the Cowley junction may be used as a rat run for people looking for a short cut towards Stroud on completion of the project and that traffic calming methods and signage to counter this should be established as part of the scheme.

Alternative 2 – In favour. Repurposing the existing A417 section – fully support Construction – Use of alternative routes through Brimpsfield during the construction stage. The Council has real concerns regarding the safety of pedestrians, cyclists, horse riders and other road users due to increased through traffic during the period of construction and this issue must be addressed before the project starts as part of the planning of the construction process. Any other Comments- The Council would be very interested in any information on financial support for the community to alleviate any negative impacts of the construction project. The Council are supportive of the project as a whole.

Distribute via email and comments to be received by return. Clerk to then submit the comments via email to a417missinglink@highwaysengland.co.uk

Date of next meeting confirmed as 19th November 2019 – concerns over noticeboards
Meeting closed at 20.09

