

**MINUTES OF QUEDGELEY TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT
QUEDGELEY COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 18TH DECEMBER 2023 AT 7.30PM .**

PRESENT Cllr S Smith, Cllr G Smith, Cllr Mrs Slatter, Cllr Mrs Ranford,
Cllr Wheatley, Cllr Powell, Cllr Lee (arrived at 7.35pm)

FC.134/23-24	APOLOGIES Apologies were received and noted from the following: Cllr Thompson, Cllr Barwood, Cllr Miss Weston & Cllr Wilcox
FC.135/23-24	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None received
FC.136/23-24	ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING None present
FC.137/23-24	ADOPTION OF FULL COUNCIL MINUTES Adoption of the Full Council minutes dated 20 th November 2023 Cllr S Smith PROPOSED to adopt the above Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Seconded Cllr Mrs Ranford Vote For 6 Abstain 1 So resolved
FC.138/23-24	CLERK'S REPORT The clerk gave an overview of the complaints received for the month of November. Cllr G Smith reported on the missing vehicle prevention barriers for the public footpath adjacent to the vicarage and wished for the office to write and request their replacement.
FC.139/23-24	CORRESPONDENCE 1. Royal British Legion acknowledgement and thanks for the donation from Council for arranging the firework event on Armistice Day. 2. Help if We Can acknowledgement for donation in recognition of their members volunteering at the firework event.
FC.140/23-24	CHAIR'S REPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chair attended the meeting with Bloor Homes Ltd at the Moat with a view to transferring ownership of this land to Council. • Disappointed the Xmas event was cancelled. • Discussed future of the firework event, with a view to safety and the popularity of the event. • Passed his good wishes to former Cllr Mrs Webb who has resigned due to other pressures. • Was privileged to be invited to do a Reading at the church Carol Service on Sunday • Met with the Vicar several times to discuss matters local to Quedgeley. • Sent seasonal wishes to members and their families. <p>Discussion centred around the possibility of cancelling the firework events in future. Opinions were voiced both for and against, it was agreed to investigate professional aid for future events if this were possible.</p>
FC.141/23-24	TO AGREE YEAR PLANNER - *attached* Cllr Mrs Ranford PROPOSED to adopt the circulated year planner. Seconded Cllr G Smith Vote Unanimous So resolved.

FC.142/23-24	<p>TO CONSIDER AND AGREE ADOPTION OF THE MOAT FOLLOWING FINAL INSPECTION. Cllr G Smith PROPOSED to adopt the Moat to include the commuted sum of £32K plus £1k for a public notice board. Seconded Cllr Powell Vote Unanimous So resolved.</p>
FC.143/23-24	<p>TO CONSIDER A COMMUNITY FRIDGE/FOOD BANK/COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY – Cllr V Ranford to discuss. Cllr Mrs Ranford provided a presentation and sought support for the provision of a ‘community fridge’. There are several options of how it would operate and the administration arrangements, but she would investigate these in depth if approval in principle were granted by members tonight. Cllr G Smith PROPOSED further investigation and agreement in principle that the Council establish a ‘community fridge’ for Quedgeley. Cllr Ranford was given approval to act on behalf of the council. Further details to be brought to the next meeting. Seconded Cllr Lee Vote Unanimous So resolved.</p>
FC.144/23-24	<p>FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Noting of the Minutes dated 2nd October 2023: accepted by F&GP on 04.12.2023 Chairman Report Cllr G Smith questioned why the date to set the draft budget in the financial regulations is not adhered to. The clerk explained she has set the budget in principle but is waiting for the tax base figure from Gloucester City council which she has chased on 3 separate occasions.</p>
FC.145/23-24	<p>PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Noting of the Minutes dated 18th October 2023: accepted by P&D on 15.11.2023 Chairman Report Cllr Powell wished the directional signs and the new line markings at Tesco roundabout to be put back on the agenda for January. Nothing further to report.</p>
FC.146/23-24	<p>RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Noting of the Minutes dated 1st November 2023: accepted by R&A on 06.12.2023 Chairman Report – Chair not present</p>
FC.147/23-24	<p>COMMUNITY BUILDINGS COMMITTEE Noting of the Minutes dated 13th November 2023: accepted by CB on 11.12.2023 Chairman Report – Chair not present</p>
FC.148/23-24	<p>REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES AND WORKING PARTIES None</p>
FC.149/23-24	<p>FURTHER BUSINESS FOR REFERRAL To provide Xmas lights on fir tree planted by Quedgeley Council on grass verge outside Miller & Carter.</p>
<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETIBNG – 15th January 2024 – noted,</p>	

Meeting concluded 20.40 hrs