

St Georges & Priorslee Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday **18th February 2025** 7:00pm at The School Hall, St Georges C of E Primary School, London Road, St Georges. TF2 9LJ

Chairman: Cllr Richard Overton Clerk & RFO: Kate Southgate

Deputy Clerk: Catherine Lane (taking minutes)

Present:

Councillors: R. Cadman, E. Dabbs, S. Handley, R. Overton, G. Singh, J. Smart, P. Thomas, R.

Tyrrell.

In attendance: J. Ellis (Community Events & Parish Support Officer) PCSO Wayne Jervis.

137/25 Welcome from the Chair: Chairman R. Overton welcomed everyone to the meeting.

<u>138/25 Apologies:</u> Cllrs A. Harrison, S. Harrison and J. Little **Resolved** to note the apologies.

139/25 Declarations of Interest:

Cllr	Interests
S. Handley	Substitute Member of Borough Planning Committee
R. Cadman	Personal connection to grant application 145/25 (b)

Members agreed that they would make any other declarations if they arose during the meeting

140/25 Public Session: 15 minutes is allowed for members of the public to raise their concerns. There were eight members of the public present and one member of the press.

The following matters were raised: issues with car parking Gower Street & Albion Street, TRO's and obstruction of footpaths by cars.

141/25 Minutes:

Resolved not to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21st January 2025 until an amendment to 123/25 regarding the odour at the tip was added

Resolved to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th December 2025 following an amendment to item 113/25

142/25 Clerk's update on any matters arising from the previous meeting:

The Clerk updated the Council on the activities at the parish centre over the previous month which included the award of £1,000 for an Enviro-grant from Veolia, available Councillor training and advised that work is underway for the clearance of the ponds at Redhill Ecology Park along with installation of the Parish funded benches. Unfortunately, it was also confirmed that the bench at the lookout has been removed due to anti-social behaviour.

143/25 Planning:

To consider the following planning applications:

Applications:

TWC/2025/0025

Site address: Land between, Castle Farm Way and A5 (Phase 2C(A), Priorslee, Telford, Shropshire Description of proposal: Reserved Matters application for Phase 2C public open space pursuant to outline consent TWC/2014/0980 (Outline application for residential development of up to 1100 dwellings, a commercial/employment centre (use classes B1a, A1, A2, A3, A4 and C3 uses) retention of existing farm shop, garden centre and play barn, erection of a primary school, local centre (use classes A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, C3 and D1 and D2 (community building) a retirement village, with associated strategic landscaping, attenuation areas, opens space, highways and other associated infrastructure with detailed approval for access arrangements from Castle Farm Way (A4640) and Watling Street (A5) with all other matters reserved) Comment: no objection

TWC/2025/0040

Site address: Land between, Castle Farm Way and A5 (Local Centre), Priorslee, Telford, Shropshire Description of proposal: Reserved matters application pursuant to outline planning permission TWC/2014/0980 (Residential development of up to 1100no. dwellings) including details for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for a local centre (use classes A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, C3 and D1 and D2 community building) and open space with associated access, car parking and landscaping

Comment: Strongly Object:

This planning application includes provision for a new GP surgery to replace the existing surgery at Gatcombe Way, Priorslee, which is no longer fit for purpose, given the significant growth in the population it serves, as a result of new developments, which is expected to more than double in the 10 years period from a 2015 base, pre-development.

The application should be rejected on the following basis:

- 1. The proposed surgery occupies an area of 350sqm. This is totally inadequate for and would be smaller than the current 410sqm surgery.
- 2. A minimum 1100sqm is required to service the current and growing population.
- 3. The local ICB (Integrated Care Board) would not support funding for such a small, 350sqm surgery.
- 4. Parking space is insufficient. The surgery alone would require 48 parking spaces four times that allocated in the plan excluding the requirement for the other units associated with the development (offices, retail etc). It is estimated that, excluding the surgery, around 118 parking spaces would be required.
- 5. The alternate car parks would be separated (e.g. using the retail car park) from the surgery.
- 6. The result will be an overspill of cars onto the road which will cause residents' issues.
- 7. Patients would be expected to have to walk along the road to get to the surgery. It is unacceptable to expect elderly, disabled and parents with sick children to have to walk a significant distance.

As the current surgery lease expires in July 2026, there is an urgent need to addresses these issues with a revised planning application which meets the needs of the GP Practice and associated parking spaces for the whole development.

St Georges & Priorslee Parish Council strongly objects to this application

TWC/2025/0066

Site address: 26 Leveson Close, St Georges, Telford, Shropshire, TF2 9PW

Description of proposal: Erection of a first-floor side extension

Comment: no objection

TWC/2025/0047

Site address: Skando, The Nabb, St Georges, Telford, Shropshire, TF2 9BX Description of proposal: Erection of a detached annex following demolition of an existing garage Comment: no objection

TWC/2025/0089

Site address: Granville Lodge, Church Street, St Georges, Telford, Shropshire, TF2 9LX

Description of proposal: Erection of two storey rear and two storey side extensions to create 3no. additional residential units, creation of 8no. additional ancillary parking spaces and new access from Park Close, St Georges

Comment: no objection

Permissions Granted:

TWC/2024/0842

Site address: Site of Unit 7, 8 and 9 Gower Street Trading Estate, Gower Street, St Georges, Telford, Shropshire.

Description of proposal: Erection of 1no semi-detached industrial unit (Use Class B2/B8/Eg(iii))

****AMENDED DESCRIPTION**** **Decision:** Full Granted 04.02.25

144/25 Finance:

(a) To approve income & payments of accounts in February 2025

(a) To approve incerne a paymente et accounte in Testadi y 2020			
J Ellis Aldi	Breakfast Club Supplies 22/1/25	12.15	
GiffGaff	2x mthly Contracts	20.00	
J Ellis Aldi	Breakfast Club Supplies 30/1 & 5/2/25	33.02	
Staff Administration	Salaries/Pension - Feb 25	5,668.60	
Idverde	Park Inspection - January 25	156.00	
TWC	CAT Contribution 24/25	31,463.00	
TWC	Legal Silver Package 24/25	446.26	
Donnington & Muxton PC	Cllr Pride Dog Poo Bag Dispensers X6	360.00	
J Ellis Aldi	Breakfast Club Supplies 12/1/25	8.84	
TWC	Data Protection Chgs 24/25	432.00	
Shropshire County Pension	25/26 Pension Deficit	1,200.00	
	Payments Total	£ 39,799.87	
Income Received			
Name	Particulars	Amount (£)	
CCLA	Reserves Dividend Jan 25	400.57	
Band of Scotland	Interest	0.68	
Sewing Group	Room Hire	242.00	

£

Income Total 2,503.25

(b) Budget comparison report for the 10 months ended 31st January 2025 - noted

- (c) Bank reconciliation report for January 2025 noted
- (d) Ear Marked Reserves report up to 31st January 2025 noted

145/25 Grant Applications:

Resolved to bring forward item 145/25 (b)

(b) St Georges & Oakengates WI up to £1350.00

Resolved to award £500 to St Georges & Oakengates Women's Institute

(a) 1st Priorslee Rainbows & Brownies up to £600.00

Resolved to award £600 to 1st Priorslee Rainbows & Brownies.

(c) 4 All-Foundation £650.00

Resolved to award £650 to 4 All-Foundation

146/25 Gower Project:

Update on project: the monthly catch-up meeting with TWC has taken place. The roof is now complete and fully watertight. Due to unexpected additional work required on the roof and ceiling, TWC was able to install extra insulation, which has been a beneficial outcome.

The bell tower has been removed and sent to a specialist for restoration before being reinstated. The working group will be meeting soon to review additional health and safety purchases, including fire extinguishers and other essential fittings, as well as larger items such as dishwashers and kitchen equipment.

147/25 Policy Review:

(a) Financial Regulations

Resolved to agree the Financial Regulations

(b) Volunteer policy application form

Resolved to agree the Volunteer Policy Application Form

148/25 Terms of Reference:

(a) Standing committees

Resolved to agree the Terms of Reference for the Standing Committees, with the amendment of 4h) to read 'meet at least annually" instead of "six monthly".

(b) Gower working group

Resolved to agree the Terms of Reference for the Gower working Group

(c) Christmas lights working group

Resolved to agree the Terms of Reference for the Christmas Lights working Group

(d) Events working group

Resolved to agree the Terms of Reference for the Events working Group

(e) Climate change & plastic free working group

Resolved to agree the Terms of Reference with the amendment of wording in section 9. to read 'create action plan and deliver'

149/25 Community Projects & Events:

(a) Report from the community projects & events officer: The Warm Room sessions are going well with a special pancake event planned for 5th March. New Veterans Group had a successful start, and the "Not in the Group, Still in the Loop" initiative has also been well received, with participants requesting more wool to continue making blankets. Barmouth trip tickets will be available on 17th & 18th March at the Parish Centre and on 19th March at Lakeside Garden Centre. The Great British Spring Clean event is scheduled for 1st April but may be moved to 5th April to align with the borough-wide litter pick. First aid courses at the Parish Centre have been successful and will continue. Tree whips have been planted at the WI site, thanks to ClIr A. Harrison and his team. The Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Engagement Van will be at Gatcombe Way, Priorslee on 19th February from 10:00 – 10:45 AM and at Mosclay Car Park, St Georges from 11:00 – 11:45 AM. The Dog Fouling Competition presentation will take place on 24th February at Redhill Primary School, attended by ClIrs R. Tyrell, P. Thomas, and S. Handley.

(b)To approve the expenditure for VE day celebrations

Resolved to defer this item.

150/25 Parish Assets: nothing to report

151/Health & Safety:

The Clerk reported that there were still outstanding issues which had been highlighted on the Rospa Report for the Freestone Avenue Park. Costings for some of the repairs had come back and the clerk read these out.

Resolved not to carry out any repairs until the next financial year.

152/25 Correspondence Received:

Lithium-Ion battery safety campaign – noted.

153/25 Date of Next Meeting: - Tuesday 18th March 2025

<u>154/25 Future meetings:</u>
Gower Working Group Meeting – Tuesday 18th March 2025 - 5.45pm
Events Working Group Meeting – Tuesday 18th March 2025 time tbc

The meeting closed at 08:19pm