Goldcliff Community Council (GCC) 14 April 2025

Present:- Councillors Wayne Fox (WF), Elaine Ford (EF), Jeff Rowland (JR), Brian Cork (BC), Roger Preece (RP) and Julia Waters (JW).

Also present :- Mia Fox, Julie Evans and Maureen Owen.

Apologies:- Councillor Robert Dowsell.

1137. Minutes correct as of 13/3/2025. Proposed, JR, seconded RP.

Matters Arising:-

1138 Roadside. NCC Councillor Martyn Kellaway contacted about the overhanging trees on the Nash road. Nothing has changed. This needs to be escalated to head of services at NCC.

Request to meet Martyn on a Saturday if he is available, to stress the need for hedge cutting to be carried out.

Potholes have been repaired in places around the villages, but the quality of the work carried out is questionable.

Still no remediation of the white lining in our area! There is a reliance on using the lines in poor weather and night driving as there are very few Streetlights.

Chapel road is closed 14 – 28 April for road repairs.

1139 Drainage NRW – Nothing to report. No meetings scheduled for next month yet.

Discussion ensued about staffing levels with NRW and levels of understanding of the levels and how they work.

Welsh water is looking at options for rerouting a heavy duty sewerage pipe from Caldicot to Nash Treatment Works. Presently this is tracking along the seawall, but they are looking to move further inland closer to Broadstreet common. It will need to avoid the Solar panelling and Underground cabling.

1140 Planning – Nothing to report

Maintenance of the Schoolroom – Quotes for the wall mounted heaters are still outstanding

The gate is still to be finished off at the rear of the Schoolroom.

1141 Community – Enquiries made to British Heart Foundation into applying for and registering a Defibrillator to be sited at the Schoolroom, applications are open in June and it must be connected to an electricity supply so RP is to ask electricians for a quote when enquiring about heaters.

4 Trees were successfully planted on Golcliff Common. These were subsequently moved by person or persons unknown. There was a discussion about the rights of GCC as we tend and pay for maintenance of the common and these trees were planted for the enjoyment of the community. It was agreed to leave them in their relocated positions until the autumn. It was also agreed to continue the planting of the Spring flower meadow. JW to contact Jamie Williams.

1142 Recreation Ground – EF brought paperwork to be signed tonight by the trustees for the recreation ground site adjacent to Whitson Hall. Changes of names including Councillors EF and RP, Mr J Small to be contacted.

1143 Poor ground rent paid in full for 1 year

Future Contracts should clearly state (if Mr H Dudley rents it again) dates of entry and departure of stock. Allowing a break from continuous grazing, plus no Horses.

1144 - Finances WF went through the monthly accounts and latest invoices:-

			Current	Deposit	Total
Balances - Mar meeting			3,897.92	11,243.80	15,141.72
Electric test		101179	(300.00)		(300.00)
Water		DD	(14.29)		(14.29)
Grass		101180	(140.00)		(140.00)
Interest				84.26	84.26
Balance 9 April			3,443.63	11,328.06	14,771.69
Bank balances			3,493.63	11,328.06	14,821.69
Outstanding receipts					
Ouitstanding cheques		es	50.00		50.00
			3,543.63	11,328.06	14,871.69

Electric testing of the Schoolroom and Grass Cutting,

Water direct debited Proposed, JR, seconded RP

One outstanding cheque

Discussion around our annual donation of £50 towards Nash's Santa's Sleigh. No acknowledgement has been received from Nash Questions arose about whether we should donate to another charity in future as no Children from our area benefitted and a lot of children from outside the Parishes attended.

AOB

1145 - Notice of VE day celebration on 5/5/2025 at Nash village hall. All welcome but please bring a plate of something to share.