

T.3553 MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 21ST DECEMBER 2009
On the proposal of Dr J E Cordwell , seconded by C J Galbraith, the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 21st December 2009 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. Passed nem con with 3 abstentions.

T.3554 ADOPTION OF MINUTES
On the proposal of Mrs. E M Warren, seconded by C J Galbraith, the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 30th November 2009 were adopted. Passed all in favour.

T.3555 ACCOUNTS

- A. On the proposal of R L Carter, seconded by C J Galbraith, the accounts listed were approved for payment. Passed nem con with 1 abstention. A copy of the list is attached to the Master Copy of these Minutes.
- B. Budget 2009. The Report of Expenditure against Budget was noted.

T.3556 GRANTS & DONATIONS

No applications had been received.

T.3557 MATTERS ARISING

- A. Registration Service. The Clerk reported that a meeting with the GL11 group and Mr Coventry the Proper Officer had had to be cancelled because of the snow. It appeared that the Registration Service was to be reinstated in Wotton-under-Edge on alternate Wednesday mornings but the first session had been cancelled because of the snow.
- B. Land at Holywell:
There was some discussion about whether bonfires on the land should be completely banned. It was agreed that on occasion circumstances might arise where the burning of diseased material might be necessary. It was agreed that it should be left to the discretion of the Clerk whether such bonfires should be permitted with the option to discuss this with the Chairman and Vice Chairman if desired.
It was noted that future ideas for the use and management of the land would probably arise and that the Plan could be further amended from time to time. Proposed by C J Galbraith, seconded by Mrs J H Cordwell, to adopt the Management Plan tabled at the December meeting of Town Council. Passed all in favour.
- C. Car Parking: There was an ongoing consultation exercise about the possible changes to waiting times in the Chipping. The first open session had been held on the previous Saturday and a further one would be held on Friday 22nd. Questionnaires had been distributed and a report would be made to a special meeting of the Town Council after the Planning Meeting on the 25th January. Mr Wilkinson commented that the Chamber of Trade was split on this issue as many traders wished to see additional short term parking whereas businesses preferred to retain long term parking.
- D. Swimming Pool: A report had been made to the cabinet at Stroud District Council on the proposed closure of three facilities in the District, including the Wotton Pool. Officers would be recommending that 1 years notice should be given of the intention to hand back the facilities to their owners, in the case of the pool, to the Town Council.