Clerks report October 2024

Financial-

- The Annual website hosting cost with Cloud Next is due for renewal at £49.99+Vat in October. Cloud Next have confirmed that a rolling monthly contract is available at £4.99 +Vat a month until the move to another provider can be completed. This has been added for payment approval for October 2024.
- The new Parish Noticeboard has been fitted and a notice placed in the Villager by Cllr Blowey. Some magnets were not delivered, these have been requested. It was previously agreed by the Parish Council that CIL Money would be used for this purchase. This will be noted in Monthly expenditure for October 2024 and submitted as a CIL funding purchase to TBC in December 2024.
- The Parish Council have received Notification of CIL Neighbourhood Funding from the Community Infrastructure Levy team at TBC for **£6,066.86.** Payment will be received in October 2024.
- A notice has been received from HSBC stating that the Interest rate on the HSBC Business Money manager account will be changing from the current 1.96% to 1.90% AER from 21st October 2024.
- The Clerk and Cllr V King have began to work through the Financial risk assessment, following a model assessment template.

Training

- The Clerk is booked in with Roy Balgobin on 17th October for the final new Clerk training session purchased. This will focus on the budget for the next financial year.
- The Chair and Cllr Blowey will attend the Planning in Plain English training session on 17th October 2024.
- The Clerk will be attending an online information session on Funding for the PC email/ Website hosting on 15th October. This has been rescheduled from last month.

Information update

- Cllr N Powell, Cllr C Thomas and Cllr S King will attend a presentation regarding a Community Emergency plan on 15th October with Higham Parish Council by Rachel Seymour the Flood & Community Resilience officer from Gloucester Rural Community Council.
- An Advertisement for the Parish Councillor vacancy has been placed in the villager as agreed at the September PC meeting.
- The agreed information from Gloucestershire Police regarding dangerous dogs has been placed in the villager.
- Awaiting confirmation of the suitability of a Bin for the suggested location at the Hygrove Bus stop as requested by the PC.

Correspondence

• The Parish Council received an update on 4th October 2024 from Peter Edgar Communications and Customer Experience Manager from TBC, Regarding the recent Cyber incident.

"To reassure our communities, our officers are proactively progressing matters halted by the cyber incident, and will shortly resume assessing planning applications and related work, but I'd ask for continued patience as officers begin to go through this workload."