

CHEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2nd January 2019

AT 7:45 p.m. IN CHEDDINGTON VILLAGE HALL SIDE ROOM

01/19 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Present - Cllr C Poll in the chair, Cllr C Fee, Cllr D Bevan, Cllr M Everton, Cllr D Finch, Cllr K Graham, Cllr K Oastler, and the Clerk Mrs M. Smith.

District Councillor Derek Town, District Councillor Sandra Jenkins,

1 Member of the Public

Apologies: - Cllr T Richards – Family Commitment
County Councillor Anne Wight.

02/19 OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

The following topic was discussed: -

- The resident voiced a concern about the amount of rubbish that is strewn on the verges along the Long Marston Road and stated that it was his belief that some of this was being blown off laden skips travelling to the airfield.

03/19 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

No interests were declared

04/19 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Parish Council RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 5th December 2018 should be accepted as a true record of the meeting and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

05/19 UPDATES FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

County Councillor Anne Wight was unable to attend the meeting but had sent a report which had been circulated to the Parish Councillors and was presented in her absence. The report included the following items: -

- **Bucks County Council Christmas Present Appeal** Cllr Wight thanked all the residents who had donated presents for the Christmas present appeal in December. The appeal was a huge success and the appeal saw approximately two thousand Christmas presents amassed for local disadvantaged children, young people and care leavers. Once again, many thanks to residents who were so kind and who helped to make this appeal a resounding success!
- **Home to School Transport Consultation**

The Home to School Transport consultation finishes on 4th January 2019. Cllr Wight asked if the Parish Council could encourage any residents who have not yet completed the consultation to do so.

- **Consultation on Raising Council Tax to support Policing**

Residents are asked to take the opportunity to complete the survey on the possible raising of council tax to support the police.

District Councillor Jenkins stated that she had visited the waste facility at Greatmoor near Calvert in the north of Buckinghamshire which had opened in June 2016 and stated that it had been a very informative visit. She had also attended a meeting regarding the Oxford – Cambridge Expressway. District Councillor Derek Town stated that he had concerns about the details of the proposal submitted by Persimmon Homes, Planning Application No 18/04097/ADP, particularly with regard to design issues, and he will ask for it to go to the planning committee for detailed consideration. He also stated that Planning Application No 17/00832/AOP Land off Mentmore Road and Station Road is still ongoing, seemingly awaiting another environmental report. There is a Planning Development meeting next Wednesday.

06/19 CLERK'S REPORT ON ONGOING MATTERS

The clerk was contacted by John Lambert regarding Samantha's bench and has asked the handyman to contact him directly in the New Year to arrange for the bench to be installed.

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The handyman is to cut back some ivy work on the footpath from Lammas Road to the High Street and to also will prune back some branches around a lamppost on the road up to the church. The handyman will remove the Tommy Silhouette from next to the War Memorial and store it in the storage container at the Recreation Ground until next November.

The clerk contacted Laurie Eagling, Clerk to Pitstone Council, regarding the signage at the junction of Wellington Place/B489 and was advised that she had received an update telephone call from Anglian Water on the 10th December. They've advised the site manager and he is preparing additional 'slow' signage for the junction even though this is not part of the published Anglian Water diversion route. It should be in place later this week

This obviously only addresses the short-term issue of greater levels of vehicles using the junction whilst the Anglian Water works are carried out in Cheddington Road/Wellington Place, rather than permanent changes to this junction which lies within Marsworth Parish. Pitstone Parish Council has previously raised the same issue with the Local Area Technician, at the time this junction didn't feature highly enough on the Buckinghamshire County Council priority list to attract the necessary funding for extensive infrastructure works, although the drainage was improved by Buckinghamshire County Council /Transport for Buckinghamshire to eliminate flooding.

A response to the Home to School Transport Consultation was e-mailed to Buckinghamshire County Council on behalf of the Parish Council as follows: -

1) It is clear that Buckinghamshire. is set on phasing out dedicated school transport in favour of children using public buses to school. As a village with a virtually non-existent public bus service, we would like more information as to how they intend to achieve this? Such a move will surely cost more money, as opposed to save it (which is the intention of moving to public transport). There is currently no public bus service to one of our catchment schools (Cottesloe). Can we be assured that any public routes added for the purpose of school transport will be direct and not involve children being bussed into, for example, Leighton Buzzard, only to be bussed back out to Wing?

2) There is no consideration for the transport of (paid for or otherwise) young adults wishing to attend further or higher education in areas such as Aylesbury. The lack of bus routes is dictating where Cheddington's young people can go to college, instead of suitability of course and personal choice. In many cases students are having to go out of area for their education. This is of concern to us, particularly as it is a statutory requirement for young people to be in education, training or employment until the age of 18.

3) Cheddington parents have also questioned the Safeguarding provision for children who will be required to use public transport. We would like clarification on whether school and public bus drivers are required to be DBS checked and whether a move from one to the other, will cause a lowering of current safety standards.

07/19 CORRESPONDENCE, CONSULTATIONS AND NOTIFICATION OF MEETINGS

The list of correspondence which had been circulated to the councillors before the meeting was noted.

No responses to the correspondence were agreed but it was noted that Cllr Finch had stated that he would attend the BMKALC Parish and Unitary Liaison Meeting on 21st March in Aylesbury, but when the clerk went to book the ticket the meeting was already full and there were no tickets available.

08/19 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) The payments were agreed in accordance with financial report
- b) The Parish Council considered the supply and fitting of a shield on a street light outside 1b Church Hill and agreed to put up the shield and also to look at replacing the light for a lower wattage or if this does not work then perhaps look at replacing the bulb with an amber light. The Parish Council agreed to a spend on these remedial actions up to a cost of £250 ex VAT.

09/19 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS –

Cllr Fee reported that during the last meeting of the Village Hall Management Committee the subject of the three outside lights which are owned by the Parish Council was brought up as the timers on these lights were no longer working correctly and the lights were mismatched as a couple had been

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replaced at different times. The Village Hall Management Committee proposed to replace the lights with LED lights at a cost of £250. The Parish Council agreed that the Parish Council should pay for the replacement of these lights and therefore the clerk was asked to contact the chairman of the Committee to arrange payment.

10/19 PAVILION

The quotes from three architects were considered.

The Parish Council decided to accept the quote from Hugo Hardy RIBA Architect as follows: -

Briefing, Concept Design and Detail Design £2000 fixed

Technical Production and Building Regulations Submission £ 4,500 fixed

Contract Administration of the works £2,000 fixed

11/19 GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS

The Parish Council RESOLVED to adopt the Social Media and Electronic Communications Policy.

It was agreed to maintain a council Facebook page to be administrated by Cllr Everton and Cllr Oastler.

12/19 PLANNING MATTERS

a) No planning applications had been received

b) No determinations had been received

c) 18/04097/ADP Land West of Mentmore Road, Partridge Close and Barkham Close – The Parish Council asked Cllr Town to facilitate contact between Persimmon Homes and the Parish Council with regard to the reserved matters.

District Cllrs Town and Jenkins and the member of the public left the meeting.

13/19 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Due to the confidential nature of the business the press and public were excluded from the meeting for the following item, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

The Parish Council discussed the resignation of the Parish Clerk and agreed that the last Parish Council meeting that she will attend will be Wednesday 6th March.

The Parish Council agreed that the vacancy will be advertised on the Parish Council website, newsletter, Facebook page, and notice board and that the clerk will place an advert on the Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Association of Local Councils as well as through the Buckinghamshire Branch of the Society of Local Council Clerks.

14/19 REPORT ON URGENT MATTERS

- No urgent matters were reported.

15/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Parish Council meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 6th February in the Village Hall side room at 7.45 p. m.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 p.m.

Signed:

Date:

Chairman

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FINANCIAL APPENDIX			MONTH 10		2 ND JANUARY 2019	
VCHR	DATE	PAYMENTS - CURRENT ACCOUNT	NET	VAT	TOTAL	
DIRECT DEBIT PAYMENTS						
129	11/12/2018	EON - Street Lights	523.52	104.70	628.22	
130	31/12/2018	NEST - Pension Contributions	54.34	0.00	54.34	
131	02/01/2019	Anglian Water	165.08	0.00	165.08	
			742.94	104.70	847.64	
ONLINE PAYMENTS ALREADY MADE						
			0.00	0.00	0.00	
ONLINE PAYMENTS						
132	02/01/2019	Aylesbury Mains Ltd	47.40	9.48	56.88	
133	02/01/2019	CVH - Hire of Side Room	18.75	0.00	18.75	
134	02/01/2019	Rialtas Business Solutions-Accounts Package	119.00	23.80	142.80	
135	02/01/2019	Mrs M Smith - Salary	941.17	0.00	941.17	
136	02/01/2019	PAYE - to 05 January	171.95	0.00	171.95	
137	02/01/2019	Mrs M Smith - Expenses	24.69	3.49	28.18	
			1322.96	36.77	1359.73	
		TOTAL Payments	2065.90	141.47	2207.37	
		CURRENT ACCOUNT -Community				
R15	06/12/2018	Village Training	20.00		20.00	
T8	06/12/2018	From Savings Account	5000.00		5000.00	
R17	31/12/2018	Allotment Rents	604.20		604.20	
			5624.20	0.00	5624.20	
		SAVINGS ACCOUNT - BMM				
T8	06/12/2018	To Current Account	-5000.00		-5000.00	
R16	21/12/2018	Gross Interest Paid	44.59		44.59	
			-4955.41	0.00	-4955.41	
		BALANCES				
	02/01/2019	Current			8921.45	
	02/01/2019	Savings			90044.59	
					98966.04	
		Less Unpresented Cheques			200.00	
		Less Online Payments to be made			1359.73	
					97406.31	