

CHEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5th DECEMBER 2018

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

160/18 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.

County Councillor Anne Wight.

Four Members of the Public

Apologies:

Cllr T Richards – Family Commitment

District Cllr Derek Town, District Cllr Sandra Jenkins

161/18 OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

No issues were raised.

162/18 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

No interests were declared

163/18 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Parish Council RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 7th November should be accepted as a true record of the meeting and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

164/18 UPDATES FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

County Cllr Anne Wight gave a report that included the following issues: -

- **Brownlow Bridge** – has been repaired, looking at weight limit. Transport for Bucks is minded to look at a weight limit of 18 tons on the bridge. Other bridges are to be looked at.
As you may know, the Brownlow Bridge in Ivinghoe was badly damaged last spring by a van and was subsequently repaired by the Canal and River Trust.
The C&RT stated it was their view that the bridge should have an 18 tonne weight limit put on it going forward, which would mean HGVs would be unable to use the bridge and would need to use alternate routes. This would have the effect of mitigating some of the HGV traffic through Horton and Ivinghoe on the B488 and Pitstone coming down the B489.
After much discussion and bridge loading analyses, Transport for Bucks has agreed the C&RT weight limit for the bridge in the short term and is in the process of issuing a Temporary Traffic Restriction Order to limit the maximum weight on the bridge to 18 tonnes. However, they are also currently analysing the traffic diversion effects for local businesses and residents, and so in the longer term it remains to be seen whether they will propose any alternative arrangements going forward.
- **Anglian Water Works in Ivinghoe** - A road closure for the junction of the B488 and B489 by the church in Ivinghoe had been planned for the end of January. These works are necessary to place a meter on the main water service for the village to monitor leaks in the future. However, due to concerns raised by an Ivinghoe parish councillor regarding timing of this work in conjunction with the current diversions in place in Pitstone, the works are now planned for the end of July for approximately ten working days. However, this is not yet confirmed
- **Brexit Preparedness in Buckinghamshire** – The BCC Cabinet meeting on 10 December has as an agenda item a report with some recommendations for Cabinet regarding Brexit Preparedness in Buckinghamshire. Buckinghamshire County Council has been proactively preparing for Brexit, taking early actions to analyse the local implications of Brexit and steps to mitigate or maximise emerging opportunities, ensuring the best possible outcome for Buckinghamshire.

165/18 PLANNING MATTERS

a) The following applications received via AVDC were discussed: -

18/04097/ADP – Land West of Mentmore Road, Partridge Close and Barkham Close, Cheddington. Approval of reserved matters pursuant to Outline Permission 16/02806/AOP relating to approval of appearance, landscaping layout and scale and associated works for 100 dwellings

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It was agreed that the clerk would see if the Methodist Chapel could be booked for the evening of Wednesday 12th December. It was agreed that a flyer will be sent out to all residents advising that the documents will be on display for the residents to come and discuss the application with the Parish Councillors.

The Parish Council agreed that in principal it had No Objections to the Planning Application but it wished to make the following comments regarding certain elements of the Reserved Matters: -

a) The Parish Council is concerned that the bungalows shown are either shared ownership or rental. There were many comments from residents during the Neighbourhood Plan Process that a number of residents wished to downsize and that there was and would be a demand for bungalows for sale on the Open Market.

b) It is also to be noted that it was envisaged during the Neighbourhood Plan discussions that a larger number of bungalows would be located in the area of the site near Barkham Close to meet the demands of ever-increasing older generation.

The Parish Council also asked for clarification about whether people who currently own property outright in the village would be eligible for a shared ownership bungalow.

c) The Parish Council noted that there are three houses of the Blakesley design which are shown to be 2.5 storey which is in conflict with the design policy of the Cheddington Neighbourhood Plan. The Parish Council would draw the planning officer's attention to Page 29 of the Cheddington Neighbourhood Plan. Policy 4 i

..... specifically, buildings should be no more than two storeys in height.

d) The Parish Council is concerned that there are only two three bedroomed semi-detached houses on the site plan. It would put the case that there should be more three bedroomed houses for sale, rent or shared ownership for a younger generation with growing families.

e) The Parish Council would ask for clarification on the possible administration of the shared ownership and the properties for rent.

f) The Parish Council also would like clarification on the future of the site and who will be responsible for street lighting, grass verges, play equipment and the maintenance of the landscaped areas.

g) The Parish Council had argued that the development did not need a separate play area and that the S106 money could be better spent on updating the existing play area on The Green.

The Parish Council would look for assurances that if a Local Equipped Area of Play ('a LEAP'); is to be located on the development then there should be some boundary, whether hedging or fencing, to prevent young children using this facility from running onto the adjacent road. There was some concern that the LEAP is located near a pond so that in addition to a boundary from the adjacent road the Parish Council would wish there to be a safety feature provided to prevent small children from accessing the area without supervision.

18/2040APP – West End Farm, Long Marston Road, LU7 0RS – Single Storey Side Extension with mezzanine – Minor Amended Plans.

b) The following determination had been received from AVDC: -

18/03738/AGN – Elsage Farm, Station Road, Cheddington LU7 0SD – Erection of Agricultural Building – Application Withdrawn / Not Proceeded With

166/18 CLERK'S REPORT ON ONGOING MATTERS

The clerk advised that there is no guidance as to how long the Tommy Silhouette should remain by the memorial but it would seem that it would be appropriate to leave in place to the end of the year in Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the end of the First World War.

Cllr Everton has forwarded a draft proposal re Social Media Policy and Facebook Page and this will be on the agenda for next month's meeting.

Brian Small will look at the ash in the hedgerows at the Recreation Ground and see if he can move some to the bottom of the lineside fence, if this proves to be too big a task it may that the Parish Council would need to look at the cost of hiring a small digger to move the ash.

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Brian Small is also going to move some of the soil along the edge of the pavement on the left-hand side of Station Road and will cut back some of the overgrowth along footpath CHD/7/2.

A first aid box has been purchased for the pavilion.

The work to carry out repairs on the Playground Equipment has been booked in for Monday 14th January.

The annual return has been submitted to the Charity Commission which included updating the new e-mail addresses of the Parish Councillors.

167/18 CORRESPONDENCE, CONSULTATIONS AND NOTIFICATION OF MEETINGS

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

The following responses were made: -

- Leighton Fun Runners -The Parish Councillors all agreed that they were happy to support the charity event on Sunday 31st March 2019 and hoped to be informed of the details of the event nearer the time.
- Cheddington Village Fete – The Parish Council appreciated the efforts of the organisers during the 2018 fete and agreed to give permission for the fete to be held on The Green in 2019.
- Signage at the Junction of Cook’s Wharf and the B489 – The clerk was asked to write a letter to Anglian Water and also Transport for Bucks outlining the concern of the Parish Council regarding the increased possibility of an accident at this junction and asking if extra signage could be provided both on a temporary and more permanent basis.

168/18 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

No reports were given.

169/18 PAVILION

The clerk had met with an architect at the pavillion to discuss the drawing up of more detailed plans and had arranged a meeting with another architect in two weeks’ time.

170/18 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) The payments were agreed in accordance with the financial report
- b) The Parish Council agreed the Budget for 2019-2020
- c) The Parish Council agreed to ask for the precept to be set at £ 82,000. This will mean an increase in the Band D Council tax from £105.53 to £113.51, an increase of 7.56%
- d) The clerk informed the council that the cost to supply and install new bearings for the roundabout would be £1,929.85, however Playground Facilities Ltd would carry out a more detailed inspection of the roundabout when they attend to carry out the other maintenance work on the 14th January and will determine then whether the bearings do need to be replaced.

171/18 REPORT ON URGENT MATTERS

- A councillor again voiced the concern that the logs on the verge outside Rose Cottage are a trip hazard.

172/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Parish Council meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 2nd January in the Village Hall side room at 7.45 p. m.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50 p.m.

Signed:

Date:

Chairman

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Financial Appendix			Month 9		05/12/2018
VCHR	DATE	PAYMENTS - CURRENT ACCOUNT	NET	VAT	TOTAL
CHEQUE PAYMENTS ALREADY MADE					
112	08/11/2018	Cheddington History Society -Chq 200953	200.00	0.00	200.00
			200.00	0.00	200.00
DIRECT DEBIT PAYMENTS					
113	09/11/2018	NEST - Pension Conts	48.01	0.00	48.01
114	12/11/2018	EON - Street Lights	540.97	108.19	649.16
115	03/12/2018	Anglian Water Business	54.14	0.00	54.14
			643.12	108.19	751.31
ONLINE PAYMENTS ALREADY MADE					
			0.00	0.00	0.00
ONLINE PAYMENTS					
116	05/12/2018	AVDC - Dog Waste Services	1151.54	230.31	1381.85
117	05/12/2018	Aylesbury Mains Ltd	87.60	17.52	105.12
118	05/12/2018	BMKALC - Course 16th January	37.90	0.00	37.90
119	05/12/2018	Simon Barrow Gardening Services	600.00	0.00	600.00
120	05/12/2018	Brayscape	631.33	0.00	631.33
121	05/12/2018	CVH - Hire of Side Room	18.75	0.00	18.75
122	05/12/2018	Methodist Church - Hire of Room	20.00	0.00	20.00
123	05/12/2018	SLCC - Books	121.95	0.00	121.95
124	05/12/2018	SWARCO - MVAS Maintenance	220.00	44.00	264.00
125	05/12/2018	Brian Small - Handyman November	352.24	3.25	355.49
126	05/12/2018	Mrs M Smith - Salary	1107.12	0.00	1107.12
127	05/12/2018	Mrs M Smith - Expenses	126.65	6.58	133.23
128	05/12/2018	PAYE - to 05 December	9.01	0.00	9.01
			4484.09	301.66	4785.75
		TOTAL Payments	5327.21	409.85	5737.06
		CURRENT ACCOUNT -Community			
T7	08/11/2018	From Savings Account	6856.50		6856.50
			6856.50	0.00	6856.50
		SAVINGS ACCOUNT - BMM			
T7	08/11/2018	To Current Account	-6856.50		-6856.50
			-6856.50	0.00	-6856.50
		BALANCES			
	04/12/2018	Current			8930.64
	04/12/2018	Savings			95000.00
					103930.64
		Less Unpresented Cheques			200.00
		Less Online Payments to be made			4785.75
					98944.89