

# CHEDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 11<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2013

PRESENT: Mr P Sibbald (Chairman) Mr A Bell, Mr G Brister, Mr D Broad, Mr J King, Mr R Richmond and Mrs E Broad (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Miss L Gallagher

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> February 2013 were agreed and signed as a true record.

OPEN SESSION FOR THE PUBLIC: No public were present.

MAIN MATTERS:

Communication between Parish Council and the Public:

a) The Parish Council Website: It was reported that the website was being well used, Mr Robertson had sent the latest usage figures around recently. The matter of businesses listed on the website was raised again. Mr King felt that the businesses listed all provided a service, but other Councillors felt that businesses should not be listed. After some discussion it was proposed by Mr King to leave the businesses as listed at present, this was seconded by Mr Broad and was lost 2 votes for and 4 votes against. A further proposal that the businesses should be removed was proposed by Mr Bell and seconded by Mr Brister, this was agreed. Mr King agreed to remove the businesses in due course. Mr King would also notify the businesses in question that they were to be removed as their approval had been sought when they were put on. It was also agreed that Councillors would forward a brief resume for the website by the next meeting.

Affordable Housing:

a) Update: Mr Brister had prepared a Affordable Housing update which he circulated before the meeting. A few points were raised at the meeting but it was agreed that Mr Brister would contact Martin Hutchings to clarify what his role was and draw up a set of questions for other parishes who had experience of affordable housing. Mr Brister also agreed to look through his update to finalise it so it could be displayed on the website.

b) S106 Agreements: Held over for another meeting.

MATTERS FOR UPDATING AND DISCUSSION:

The Stream: As CHEG had this in hand it was agreed to remove from the agenda.

Traffic in Village and Road Matters:

a) Fields Road and Community Speed Watch: Mr King had nothing further to report but it was raised that a tree was obscuring one of the repeater signs.

b) Seven Tuns Overhanging Vegetation: The vegetation from the Seven Tuns had

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been cut back. The Chairman did raised the matter of a overhanging tree at the top of Gallows Lane which he would cut back himself.

- c) Roadside Verge Management: As nothing further had been heard from Susie Moore it was agreed to leave on the agenda.
- d) Road Gritting: The Chairman reported that the back up gritter had now been removed. It was agreed to remove from the agenda.
- e) Flooding: It was agreed to remove from the agenda.

Footpaths:

a) KCH 42 Old Pastures to Hemplands Hill: Nothing further had been heard. Mrs Duggleby had emailed about a broken stile on the footpath from Ballingers Row to the stream. The Chairman would have a look, report back and compose a suitable reply to Mrs Duggleby.

Items Arising from Email: None.

The Playing Field:

- a) Playing Field Hirers Agreement: It was felt that the document circulated by Miss Gallagher was rather long. Mr Bell suggested getting a model hirers agreements from GPFA. The Clerk was asked to do this.
- b) Entrances on to the Playing Field: Mr Swift at GCC Highways would provide some rubble when some became available.
- c) Hedge Cutting to Playing Field: This had been done and an invoice was awaited.
- d) State of Fence along Fields Road: The hedge cutting had exposed the bad state of the roadside fence along the playing field from the Village Hall car park to the Diggers gate. As some money for this had been included in the precept for this, it was agreed to obtain some quotes for the repair or replacement.

Grass Keep Field:

a) Drawing up of New Licence: Mr Bell had circulated a draft licence which it agreed was excellent. The Clerk was asked to provide a map to go with it. It was agreed to send the licence to Mr Baker with an invitation to walk around the field with representatives from the Parish Council to inspect the fences etc.

Provision of a Bus Shelter: The Chairman had drawn up the questionnaire which he would now show to Mr Richmond who ran the 6 – 8 Group.

PLANNING:

Applications:

CD 0283/E Woodlands Farm – Agricultural Workers Dwelling & Revised Position – No further comment.

13/00579/TPO Farthings – Tree Works – No comment.

CD 8256/1/D Greenhill Farm – Change of use of land to Equestrian & Riding Area – No objection

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Approval:

CD 0935/B Land to the West Of Pinkwell – Retention of Access to Field  
13/00244/TCON Bleakmoor Cottage – Tree Works – No consultation

FINANCE:

1. Clerks Quarterly Salary £555.50, prop P Sibbald, sec. A Bell.
2. Clerks Quarterly Mileage £9.65, prop. P Sibbald, sec, A Bell.
3. Council in receipt of £3.51 Water Reimbursement from HVLTC
4. Council in receipt of £7.00 Water Reimbursement from Mr Baker

OTHER BUSINESS:

Items for the Hill and Valley: A few items were identified to be included.

Annual Parish Meeting – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2013: The Clerk had displayed the official notices. Mr Brister would give a brief report on the Affordable Housing. Mr Bell gave his apologies for the meeting.

The meeting concluded at 8.40 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at 7.30 pm.

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