

# CHEDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 8<sup>th</sup> JULY 2013

PRESENT: Mr P Sibbald (Chairman) Mr G Brister, Mr D Broad, Miss L Gallagher, Mr J King , Mr R Richmond and Mrs E Broad (Clerk)  
Gloucestershire County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson

APOLOGIES: Mr A Bell

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2013 were agreed and signed as a true record.

OPEN SESSION FOR THE PUBLIC: The Chairman welcomed new County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson. Cllr Hodgkinson explained about his budget of £20,000 to spend on highway matters in his division. The ongoing problems of flooding on the Airfield bend were explained to Cllr Hodgkinson who agreed to take this up again on our behalf although we had just been notified by GCC Highways that work were going to be done to alleviate the problem in the near future.

Mr Brister joined the meeting at this point.

MAIN MATTERS:

Communication between Parish Council and the Public:

- a) The Parish Council Website: Mr King reported that notification had been received that the ICO registration had now been completed and he had put a brief explanation on the website. The Chairman thanked Mr King for his work on this. Mr King also reported that 85 people had now subscribed to the email alert system and that he and Mr Robertson were currently working on a two tier alert system.
- b) Email Alerts and Data Protection: This had been covered in the previous item.

Affordable Housing:

- a) Update: Mr Brister apologised because he had been unwell and had not made any further progress since the last meeting.
- b) CDC Local Plan Drop in Events: After some discussion, it was felt that as the draft Local Plan had nothing in it which would directly affect Chedworth, not to make any comments.
- c) Need to Update the Parish Plan: Mr King had picked up on the GRCC website that the Chedworth Parish Plan had been updated in 2011. It was confirmed by Mr Musgrave, who was present, that he had done this. It was felt that no further action was required.

MATTERS FOR UPDATING AND DISCUSSION:

Traffic in Village and Road Matters:

- a) Fields Road and Community Speed Watch: Mr King reported that Mr Poulton

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was still in the process of arranging another surveillance session on Fields Road. The matter of “Community Speed Watch Area” signs was also raised. Mr King reported that Mr Poulton was having discussions with Highways regarding these.

b) Roadside Verges – Email from ChEG: Representatives from ChEG had offered to attend the next meeting to report.

c) Japanese Knotweed at the top of Tuns Hill: An email had been received from Highways stating that this was on their list to deal with. Cllr Hodgkinson offered to follow this up.

Footpaths:

a) Footpaths and Ponies – Emails from Philip Coates and Cllr. Bell: Information had been received from Cllr Bell and Parish Warden, Philip Coates. It seemed that a field edge path such as the one from Ballingers Hill to Calves Hill needed to be 1.5 metres wide. Concern had been raised by a number of parishioners that this path was not wide enough and they were being nibbled by horses. It was agreed to write a brief letter to Mrs Burridge asking her to ensure her path is the correct width.

Items Arising from Email:

- a) CDC Local Plan – Email from Mr Musgrave: A decision not to comment on the proposed Local Plan had been taken earlier in the meeting before Mr Musgrave joined the meeting. The Chairman opened the meeting to allow Mr Musgrave to speak. Mr Musgrave gave some reasons why he felt the Parish Council should make some comments. Cllr Hodgkinson stated that he felt that the Parish Council should respond even if they had no comment to make. When Council reconvened it was agreed as previously stated not to make any comments at this stage although it may be necessary to make comments if things should change in the future.
- b) Chancel Repair – Email from Mr Grzelinski: Mr King had spoken to Mr Grzelinski as it had been established that this was a PCC matter.
- c) GRCC Cotswold Funding Newsletter: Noted.
- d) GCC Local Flood Risk management Survey: Noted.

The Playing Field:

- a) Entrances on to the Playing Field: The Chairman reported that we were still awaiting materials to become available from GCC Highways.
- b) Fence along Fields Road – Estimates for Repairs: An estimate of £4.680 inc. VAT had been received from Landmark for the whole lot, nothing so far had been received from Philip Dickenson. It was felt to be too expensive to be undertaken in one go. It was therefore agreed to ask Landmark and Philip Dickenson to split the estimate for the Grass Keep fence only and consider doing the Playing Field area next year. It was agreed to ask for the quotes to be received within the next two weeks.
- c) Use of Football Pitch by Cotswold Cavaliers FC: Mr King had spoken with James Harding of the Cotswold Cavaliers and had suggested that he send though some information for this meeting outlining their financial situation. Nothing had been received as yet. It was therefore agreed to send Cotswold Cavaliers a copy of the new Playing Field booking agreement, as send through by GPFA, and it was

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proposed from the Chair and seconded by Mr Brister to charge £200.00 for the hire of the field payable in advance of the season but by 1<sup>st</sup> September, agreed. The football team had also raised the matter that our existing line marker was rusted out and not usable. Initial enquiries had been made by the football club and Councillors and a new line marker would be around £300.00. It was agreed that the Chairman would inspect the current machine after the meeting to see if it could be repaired.

Grass Keep Field:

a) Fencing: Discussed earlier in the meeting.

Items from Annual Parish Meeting:

a) Community Emergency Plan: Mr King reported that he and Mr Musgrave were going to attend a GRCC Seminar, also Mr Robert Young had agreed to become a volunteer warden.

b) Flooding on the Airfield – Email from GCC Highways: Works to alleviate the problem were to be undertaken soon.

ChEG Stream Walk – Email from ChEG: An email had been received from Susie Moore offering to attend the next meeting to report. It was agreed to accept this offer.

QDJ Village Sign Picture: Mr King reported that the QDJ Committee wished to buy the artwork for the Village Sign for £500.00. They had gained approval to display the artwork in the Village Hall. Mr King asked the Parish Council to consider giving a further donation to enable the artwork to be purchased. After some discussion it was proposed by Miss Gallagher and seconded by Mr Richmond not to give a further donation, agreed with one against. It was further proposed from the Chair and seconded by Mr King that the Parish Council would accept ownership of the artwork if it is purchased, agreed with two against.

Defibrillators

a) New Pads: As the replacement pads had not been received, Mr Broad had contacted Martin Fagan of the Community Heartbeat Trust and replacement pads were in place the next day. He had also contacted Cardaic Science and established that even if the pads are out of date as long as the green light is still showing the unit is able to be used. The Chairman thanked Mr Broad for his actions. Miss Gallagher raised the matter of an email by Cllr Bell apparently criticising a decision taken at the April meeting to defer the purchase of replacement pads. It was felt in future that if it is flagged up that the pads are coming up to the expiry date to go ahead and purchase these and agree the purchase at the following meeting.

b) Registration: The Chairman reported that this was being done.

PLANNING:

CD 4817/Q Box Tree Cottage – Rebuilding Dry Stone Retaining Wall – No objection

CD 8446/C Pancake Cottage – Extension – No objection

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Approval:

13/02034/TCONR Denfurlong House – Tree Works

FINANCE:

1. Bibury (P/F Grass Cut June) £187.20, prop. P Sibbald, sec. G Brister
2. Parish Websites Ltd £200.00, prop. J King, sec. G Brister
3. ICO Registration £35.00 Retrospective, prop. J King, sec. D Broad

It was agreed to include the Play Area email circulated by the Clerk on the next agenda.

The meeting concluded at 9.08 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Parish Council Meeting - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2013 at 7.30 pm.

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