

UNCONFIRMED

CHEDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 9th OCTOBER 2017

PRESENT: Mrs R Jess (Chairman) Mr D Broad, Mr G Broad, Mr M Fulford, Mr I Morgan, Mr C Poulton, Mr I Robertson & Mrs E Broad (Clerk)

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 11th September 2017 were agreed and signed as a true record.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: The Chairman reminded Councillors of the need to declare interests as necessary.

OPEN SESSION FOR THE PUBLIC: Gloucestershire County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson reported on the new highways contract which goes out to tender in December. The current contract with AMEY expires on 31st March 2019.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION:

Opportunity to bring better Mobile Coverage to Chedworth:

a) To received an update on the tree screening of the mast site: Mr Fulford had this in hand. He reported that the offer to provide the power supply had not yet been taken up by CTIL although they are aware of this. Mr Robertson confirmed that he had no objection to a wayleave agreement taking the power supply from the post on his property.

Traffic in Village and Road Matters:

a) Drainage & Flooding problems on Calves Hill: Nothing had yet been done. It was agreed to chase up the drainage by the school with Danny Taylor, GCC Highways.

b) Verge Management: Mr Morgan had this in hand.

c) To receive an update on the appointment of a hedge/verging cutting contractor similar to previous year to lightly trim overgrown hedges, cut verges to full width and address heavy overgrowth in the parish: An quote of £320.00 + VAT for a days work had been received from Brian Brazington. It was proposed by Mr Fulford and seconded by Mr D Broad to go ahead with this, agreed. Mr Fulford agreed to mark up a map showing the areas needing attention.

d) GCC TTRO (Temporary Road Closure) 1642 Fields Road to Cheap Street: To be done on 23rd October 2017, noted.

Footpaths:

b) Footpath Wardens: Nothing further except the report of the footpath at The Hemplands been overgrown from Martin Jewell. It was agreed to consider this at this point on the agenda. An email had been received from Martin Jewell concerning the overgrown state of the path at the rear of 26/27/28 The Hemplands. It was established this was not a public footpath, the Chairman had spoken with Mr Jewell and he will take up he matter with Bromford.

Grass Keep Field:

a) To receive an update on providing a gate between the Diggers Plot & the Grass Keep Field: It was reported that the padlock from the Grass Keep Field gate had gone missing. BT were the last people known to have access so it was agreed to contact them and ask for it to be returned or replaced. Philip Dickenson had been due to install the new gate at the weekend but had been unable to do so due to gate supply problems.

Chairman.....

UNCONFIRMED

MINUTES – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 9th OCTOBER 2017 – Page 2

The Playing Field:

a) To consider the provision of Rope and Stakes for marking off the parking area: The Chairman had this in hand.

The Chapel Graveyard:

a) To receive an update about the provision of a path in the Graveyard: The Chairman reported that when she visited the graveyard a lot of the grass had not been removed as requested. She had asked the Clerk to contact Bibury regarding this and they had agreed to return and pick up more of the cuttings. The Chairman would go and have a look to see if a satisfactory job had been done before paying the invoice. The Chairman also reported that she had met with Jason from Churn Valley Garden and Estate Management and he quoted to cut the path once a fortnight for a price of £100.00. It was agreed to accept this quotation for cutting a path at the old Chapel graveyard from April next year through the growing season.

First Aid Training:

a) To consider if any further first aid training is required: It was noted that Pre-school had a first aid session arranged for tomorrow evening for members of the public to attend. It was agreed to include an item in the Hill and Valley to try to gauge the level of further interest. The Chairman would make further enquiries for the next meeting.

To review the Parking at the School including feedback from the meeting held with Mr David Musgrave on 26th September, regarding his concerns with vehicle parking in the vicinity of St Andrews School: Mr Poulton gave a detailed report of the recent meeting. Mr Poulton asked that in future he would want sanction from the Parish Council to attend any future meetings of this nature. After some consideration it was felt that the Parish Council had done as much as they could but they would continue to review on a regular basis. It was also agreed to continue to remind people in the Hill and Valley to drive and park with consideration in the vicinity of the school.

Path at rear of The Hemplands – To consider the email from Mr Martin Jewell: This item had been dealt with earlier on the agenda.

PLANNING:

17/03854/TCONR Smuggs Barn Cottage – Tree Works

17/03878/FORST Manor Farm – Woodland Scheme

17/03963/TCONR Primrose Cottage – Tree Works

17/03996/TCONR Fossebridge Inn – Tree Works

Hare and Hounds Planning application: To note that the application was withdrawn. The Chairman had spoken with the planning agent and there had been a dispute between highways and the heritage department. Nothing further had been heard from the local residents.

FINANCE:

1. Bibury £374.40 (Playing Field Cutting September (£123.00) & Graveyard Cut (£189.00) + VAT (*Playing Field & Graveyard Cut in budget*) prop. D Broad, sec. C Poulton
2. Zurich Municipal Insurance £400.44 (*Insurance in budget*) prop. D Broad, sec. M Fulford
3. Council in receipt of £1,909.00 Part Precept from CDC.

Chairman.....

UNCONFIRMED

MINUTES – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 9th OCTOBER 2017 – Page 3

4. To consider to following donations:

- a) PCC, Cutting of Churchyard and Hill & Valley News (£230.00 donated in January 2017).
As no official request for funding had been received and the Council is attempting to formalise its policy on donations and has recently drawn up guidelines for applications for donations exceeding £250.00, it was agreed to write to the PCC and request some information on the cost to the PCC of producing the magazine and of looking after the churchyard to enable an informed decision on the size of the grant to be made.
- b) Village Hall sec. 133 request for funding towards the provision of new chairs – A request to withdraw this item had been made to the Chairman by John Selway. The Chairman had provided him with a copy of the new funding guidelines.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Hill & Valley News: Several items were agree to be included in the November edition which would be written by the Chairman.

It was agreed to include the Pippins application on the next agenda.

The meeting concluded at 8.30 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Parish Council Meeting - Monday 13th November 2017 at 7.30pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....