

CHEDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – 16th MARCH 2015

PRESENT: Mr P Sibbald (Chairman of the Parish Council in the Chair).
Parish Councillor: Mr J King.
Parish and District Councillor: Mr D Broad.
Mrs E Broad (Parish Clerk).
21 Electors.
County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson.

APOLOGIES: Were received from Parish Councillors Mr A Bell & Miss L Gallagher

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 17th March 2014 were read by the Clerk, agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING: There was none.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: The Chairman gave his report and it is attached to these Minutes.

CHARITY REPORTS:

Chedworth Allotment Charity: Mrs Burridge gave a brief report on the charity which recorded an income for the year of £2,685.00 and an expenditure of £1,750.00. Mrs Burridge spoke about the loss of the single farm payment this year and reminded people that the charity rules were on the website. The Chairman thanked Mrs Burridge.

Church and Community Lands Charity: Mr Bowley gave a brief report on the Charity which he reminded people was only the Community Lands Charity the Church part being separate. The balance in the current account was £32,822.00 and £133,500.00 The Chairman thanked Mr Bowley.

Chedworth Village Trust: Mrs Sarah Green gave a brief report on the Trust and was thanked by the Chairman.

Hugh Westwood Educational Trust: The Chairman read a brief written report from Mrs Ros Marsden.

Chedworth Society: Mr Robertson gave a brief report on the Chedworth Society, explaining that the future structure of the Society would be discussed at the forthcoming AGM. The Chairman thanked Mr Robertson.

Chedworth Village Hall: Mr David Broad gave a brief report on the Village Hall which is a charity. Mr Broad reported that the Village Hall Committee were short of

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active members as several village organisations did not appoint a member. He updated the meeting regarding the recent main hall refurbishment which included new front windows and explained that the committee were still £2,000.00 short for this, the rest being paid for by grants. Mr Broad was asked about the proposed internet provision for the Village Hall, it was also suggested that the running of the Village Hall could be subsidised by the Parish Precept. The Chairman thanked Mr Broad.

REPORT BY GCC COUNCILLOR PAUL HODGKINSON: County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson gave a brief report on Gloucestershire County Council, including the Council Tax freeze, change of contractor to AMEY, his highways pot of £20,000, pot holes, small school funding and the public health money available for each division.

THE PROPOSED MAST: The Chairman reported that the final consultation meeting would be held on Wednesday 15th April at 6.30 pm and asked that any written questions for Harlequin should be submitted to the Parish Clerk by 25th March. Several parishioners spoke at length and raised points including the need for a coverage map, the need to explore the Chedworth Beacon as an alternative site and the need to ascertain what timetable for submission of a planning application Harlequin were working to. The Clerk was asked to write to Harlequin again to formally invite them to attend the consultation meeting on the 15th April. It was agreed to inform them that we intend to send them questions in advance to which we hope they can supply answers, and have asked residents for their questions by Wednesday 25th March. It was further agreed to include that concern was also raised regarding the time scale for the submission of the planning application and residents wanted assurance that no planning application would be submitted until their queries had been addressed. The urgent need for a coverage map for the proposed mast location was also reiterated.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: There was none.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45 pm.

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Date _____ 11/5/15