

CHEDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 13th JUNE 2022

PRESENT: Mr D Broad (Chairman) Mrs B Amory, Mr G Broad, Mr A Kingsley, Mr A McLellan, Mr I Morgan, Mr J Theyer and Mrs E Broad (Clerk)
County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson

APOLOGIES: District Councillor Jenny Forde

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9th May 2022 were agreed and signed as a true record.

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

OPEN SESSION FOR THE PUBLIC: Councillor Hodgkinson gave a brief report on GCC matters which included the closure for resurfacing of the A435, the intended resurfacing of the Whiteway as the Tour of Britain was due to use this stretch of road in September, he also urged Councillors to notify him of any problem areas for his Highways Local fund. The Chairman thanked him for helping to get the visibility splays at the Chedworth Turning cut. Mr Matt Fulford spoke about the pre-school application for change of use for the School House and gave some background information on the ownership of the property. Several other members of the public spoke about the application. The Chairman took this application at this point on the agenda.

22/01484/FUL School House - Change of use of residential property (use class C3) to nursery (use class E(f) – It was proposed from the Chair to raise no objection subject to a robust parking plan being put in place, this did not gain a seconded. It was then proposed by Mrs Amory and seconded by Mr D Broad to strongly support the application, agreed unanimously.

Mrs Harrison then spoke about the recent water outage and the fact that the bottled water had been delivered to the Inn at Fossebridge, which was not convenient for most households in Chedworth. Councillor Hodgkinson agreed to raise this issue with his contact at Thames Water. The Chairman then took the Rendcomb Airfield item on the agenda.

21/00911/DMPO Rendcomb Airfield - Vary the obligation of the Section 106 Agreement – Mrs Amory spoke on this item, giving some background information and highlighting the fact that flying was taking place without planning permission. A member of the public, who was a former pilot at Rendcomb Airfield, also spoke about the flying activities there. Council reconvened and Mrs Amory declared an interest as she lived at Chedworth Laines. After further discussion it was proposed by Mr Theyer and seconded by Mr McLellan to suggest to Jenny Forde that a round table meeting should be held with interested parties to try to establish some common ground and clarity as to what the issues are and offer to cover the cost of hiring a hall either at Chedworth or elsewhere for the purpose, agreed with 4 in favour with 2 abstentions.

Neighbourhood Plan: Mrs Amory gave a brief update which included reporting that a Neighbourhood Plan meeting was to be held next Monday at the Village Hall. Mr Hamilton indicated that he wished to speak and was invited to do so. He raised several concerns he had including the local green spaces map that was currently out for consultation. He also queried why

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the Neighbourhood Plan meeting minutes were not up to date on the website. He also reported that there was a Tufa build up blocking the pipes by the waterfall at Tuns Hill.

Traffic in Village and Road Matters:

- a) Roadside Verges: Mr Morgan reported that the visibility splays and the whole of the Airfield triangle had been cut by a GCC contractor destroying all the wild flowers that were growing there. He had reported that to Dan Tiffney at GCC Highways. Brian Brazington had cut the White Weed on the verges in certain areas. The Tuns Hill triangle and the area adjacent to the waterfall on Tuns Hill was due to be cut by Bibury shortly.
- b) Road Signs: The Chairman reported that some of the road signs on Fields Road had been replaced but there were still some that had not been done. Councillor Hodgkinson asked for the ones that had not been done to be given to him and he will follow this up.
- c) Cooks Hill, Reduced Width: Nothing further.

PLANNING:

22/01659/FUL The Summer House - Erection of agricultural storage building – It was proposed by Mrs Amory and seconded from the Chair to object to this application as it is not in keeping with the Conservation Area particularly in its scale which is excessive for a building which is supposed to be subservient to the dwelling, agreed

22/01699/FUL Valley View - Renewal of existing sewerage treatment works including upgrade of boundary fencing and repairs to network pipes and decommission of existing plant – No objection

22/01908/TCONR Anstey's Cottage - Tree Works

22/01720/FUL Long Cottage - Erection of single-storey side extension, addition of dormers to main dwelling, addition of rooflights, window and replacement door to rear and associated landscape works - It was proposed by Mr Kingsley and seconded by Mr Morgan to object as this building is an important and prominent feature of this part of the Conservation Area and the Parish Council feels that proposed changes, and particularly the dormers, will be detrimental to its appearance and to that of the street scene, agreed.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

Footpaths:

- a) KCH 4: Mr Finch had replied saying that the cross bar between the two posts of the Stile has been boxed in and the missing footstep will be rectified in due course.
- b) KCH 23: It was reported that the electric fence had been removed.
- c) Countryside Code: Mrs Amory reported that landowners are being verbally assaulted when they ask people to stick to the footpath or if their dogs worry sheep. It was agreed to include an item in the Hill and Valley regarding this.

Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust Chedworth Nature Reserve:

- a) To consider any update: Nothing further
- b) To receive any update on the insurance aspect for the site: The Clerk reported that she was currently seeking alternative cover from the TCV on the recommendation of GWT.

The Grass Keep Field:

- a) Drama Group Storage: The Clerk reported that the Drama Group rental was still outstanding

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but she had now sent them an invoice as they requested. Mr Theyer was thanked for obtaining and spreading the gravel.

b) Tree Planting on Diggers Field: Mr McLellan gave a brief update.

c) Grass Keep Tenancy: Mr Theyer reported that he had inspected the field and found three rails needed rectification. One which has been snapped and has a poor temporary repair, and two more between the two paddocks, which have been chewed excessively. The water bill, sent following the last meeting, was still outstanding. It was agreed to write to the tenants regarding this.

Playing Field:

a) Broken Net Fixing on Goal Posts: The Chairman reported that the net fixings on the goal posts were broken the cost of replacements was in the region of £150.00. It was proposed from the Chair and seconded by Mr Theyer to go ahead and purchase these, agreed.

Village Website: Mrs Amory reported that Julie Young was currently talking with Iain Robertson about resurrecting the Chedworth Village website in a slimmed down, more user-friendly format. It was proposed from the Chair and seconded by Mr G Broad to offer £300.00 towards the costs likely to be incurred, agreed.

Youth Transport: Mr Kingsley gave a brief update and would report further at the next meeting.

FINANCE:

1. Clerk's Quarterly Salary (inc. 3% increase for rate of inflation as agreed in budget) £689.00, prop. A Kingsley, sec. J Theyer
2. Clerk's Quarterly Mileage £9.65, prop. A McLellan, sec. I Morgan
3. Cottage Garden Services (Playing Field Cutting May) (£132.00 + VAT) £158.40, prop. D Broad sec. I Morgan
4. Ray Hedger (Materials for re-staining of Village Hall Noticeboard) £45.00 Retrospective, prop. J Theyer, sec. A McLellan
5. E Broad (Audit Posting and Stamps) £7.09, prop. B Amory, sec. A McLellan
6. ICO Registration Renewal £40.00, prop. D Broad, sec. I Morgan
7. S Callard (Donation towards Jubilee Picnic) £700.00, prop. A McLellan, sec. B Amory.
It was proposed from the Chair and seconded by Mrs Amory to write and thank Sue Callard for all of her work on the picnic, the Whisky Chasers for providing the music and Simon Colbeck for organising the Jubilee Beacon, agreed. The Chairman also planted the commemorative tree, which is sited on the Playing Field.
8. Council in receipt of £12,320.00 Part Precept from CDC
9. Council in receipt of £2,340.70 VAT refund 2021/22 from HMRC
10. Council in receipt of £100.00 Shed Rental from Horticultural Society

OTHER BUSINESS:

Hill & Valley News: Several items were identified to be included in the July/August edition.

The meeting concluded at 9.39pm.

NEXT MEETING: Parish Council Meeting - Monday 11th July 2022 at 7.30pm.

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