Minutes of the meeting of Cherhill Parish Council held at Yatesbury Village Hall on Thursday 22 July 2021

Present:

Simon Tomlinson - Chairman Martin Purslow - Vice-Chairman Claire Gwyer - CPC Councillor David Grafton - CPC Councillor Jackie Day - CPC Councillor Paula Purslow – CPC Parish Clerk 1 member of the public

3908 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Nick White and Wiltshire Councillor Ashley O'Neill. Cllr David Grafton arrived at the meeting late due to work commitments.

3909 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest

3910 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 10 June 2021

Cllr Purslow proposed approval of the Minutes as a correct record, seconded by Cllr Tomlinson.

Cllr Tomlinson signed off the Minutes.

3911 Review of Actions

CIL Funding - Cllr Tomlinson reported that, as part of the acquisition of the new Village Hall site in Park Lane, and the proposal to make the site useful to the local community whilst fund raising for the building of a new hall progresses, a cost plan was being produced to introduce electricity, water and the creation of an improved entrance. The Village Hall Trustees will be putting forward a proposal to the Parish Council to request some CIL funding.

Traffic Issues, Yatesbury - Wiltshire Councillor O'Neill to take issues forward after May 2021 **Action: Wiltshire Councillor O'Neill**

Rights of Way Issues - Cllr White had contacted Joe Raven who apologised for the delay in responding.

Parish Steward - Wiltshire Councillor O'Neill to contact the Parish Steward to obtain feedback on works being carried out within the Parish **Action**: Wiltshire Councillor O'Neill

Antisocial Behaviour - Wiltshire Councillor O'Neill to talk to Police Inspector regarding antisocial behaviour within the Parish. **Action: Wiltshire Councillor O'Neill**

3912 Public Participation

Mr Paul Ricketts attended the meeting with 3 points to raise:

- Mr Ricketts had now begun to cut the grass around the pond at Yatesbury. He had deliberately left it a bit later this year to allow for the wild grasses to grow and to protect the newts
- The Millennium Fund has about £35 left in the account and the account is now being closed by the bank. Mr Ricketts will pass the balance cheque on to the Parish Council for its funds
- Some wood in the Yatesbury bus shelter had rotted and Mr Ricketts requested some help from the Parish Council to obtain some wood to mend it. Cllr Grafton agreed to help out. Action: Cllr Grafton

The Parish Council thanked Mr Ricketts for his hard work.

Cllr Purslow raised some issues on behalf of Mrs Anne Henshaw who was unable to attend the meeting:

- Mrs Henshaw had expressed concerns that there were 6 flood light columns erected by the hangar on Yatesbury airfield. Cllr Purslow reported that these were only temporary structures to do with the staging stored at the site and would soon be removed
- Mrs Henshaw was concerned that three sheds had been erected at the Microlight site, stating that
 the original permission had not included sheds in the curtilage area. Cllr Purslow agreed to talk to
 the owner. Action: Cllr Purslow
- Mrs Henshaw had been in correspondence with Mr Gantlett and Mr Leonard regarding access to bridleways on Mr Gantlett's land. She was concerned that the rights of way had been blocked and that there had been damage done to the paths by cattle and a fallen tree. The Parish Council had not received any complaints from any other members of the parish and after discussions it was agreed that Mrs Henshaw should continue to address the matter directly with Mr Leonard and the landowner.

3913 Planning Applications

Application No	Address	Conclusion
PL/2021/05657	The Black Horse, Cherhill	No objection

The revised plans for the Black Horse Cherhill were solely concerned with the type of material used for the car park surfacing and not the buildings.

3914 Accounts

Clerk's Home/Office expenses for June at £40.84. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Tomlinson, seconded by Cllr Day. **APPROVED**

The Garden Route invoice for grass cutting at the Tommy Croker playing fields at £270. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Purslow, seconded by Cllr Gwyer. **APPROVED**

3915 War Memorial Site, Cherhill

There were discussions about the location and type of War Memorial to be erected on the new Village Hall field. It was agreed that the memorial should reflect both I & II World Wars and that access should be easy for all. The North West corner appeared to be an ideal site, looking up to the White Horse. Cllr Grafton agreed to investigate the cost of some benches, plaques and planting and come up with a cost plan. **Action: Cllr Grafton**

3916 Councillor Vacancy

Cllr Purslow had been continuously trying to recruit a new Councillor for Yatesbury but to date had received no interest. He agreed to keep trying. **Action: Cllr Purslow**

3917 Newsletter

Cllrs Day and Gwyer had been in contact with numerous parishioners for articles for the Newsletter but to date had not received anything. It was suggested that going forward the Newsletter would perhaps be better if it was online only.

3918 Councillor Responsibilities

Clerk Admin Matters - The Parish Clerk's printer had broken down and was irreparable. It was unanimously agreed that the Parish Clerk should purchase a new one. **Action: Parish Clerk**

The Parish Clerk expressed concern that due to recent illness there had not been a backup for when the Clerk was unable to access e-mails and urgent correspondence. It was agreed to raise the issue at the next meeting. **Action: Parish Clerk for the Agenda**

Calne Area Parish Forum - It had become evident that this Forum was no longer happening so should be removed from the responsibilities list.

Countryside Access/Combined Parishes Forum - Cllr Grafton reported that there had been great progress with the group and a focussed map and template were being produced so that all parishes can keep track of any works needed. There will be a traffic light system which will highlight urgent works required and the group will be in constant contact with Wiltshire Council.

Hills Waste Solutions Liaison Group - Cllr Grafton had been the only person to attend from the parishes at the latest meeting. He reported that permission had been granted for the extended hours requested by Hills. There had been some concerns expressed that due to the Covid App, some drivers may have to isolate in the near future which could result in some refuse collections being effected.

Parish Steward - Some of the grass verges near to junctions had now been cut.

White Horse Restoration Group - Unfortunately the Horse is looking green at present, but the next chalking cannot be done until May 2022.

Lansdowne Monument - Cllr Tomlinson had received an e-mail from the National Trust to say that the Wellington Monument was very nearly completed and that they are hoping to start the feasibility stage of the Lansdowne Monument in September.

3919 Confidential Matters

Any confidential matters discussed are not reported in the Minutes.

3920 Date of next meeting

Thursday 26 August, 7.30 pm - Cherhill Village Hall Thursday 7 October, 7.30 pm - Yatesbury Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9 pm.