

Minutes of the meeting of Cherhill Parish Council held at Yatesbury Village Hall on Thursday 16 December 2021

Present:

Simon Tomlinson - Chairman
Martin Purslow - Vice-Chairman
Nick White - CPC Councillor
Claire Gwyer - CPC Councillor
David Grafton - CPC Councillor

Jackie Day - CPC Councillor
Paula Purslow – CPC Parish Clerk
10 members of the public

3964 Apologies

Apologies were received from Wiltshire Councillor O'Neill.

3965 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

3966 Appointment of new Councillor

Mrs Jane Page was formally co-opted on to the Parish Council - proposed by Cllr Purslow, seconded by Cllr Grafton. Mrs Page was welcomed and invited to join the meeting.

3967 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 11 November 2021

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

Cllr Tomlinson signed off the Minutes.

3968 Review of Actions

Parish Clerk Back-up - Cllr Purslow to ensure signatories are up to date on the Parish Council bank account.

Website - Cllr White to explore with other community based groups if they wish to be attached to the Parish Council website.

Planning Enforcement Issues - 18/06245/FUL - Wiltshire Councillor O'Neill to follow up with the Planning Officer.

Trees at Lymers Lane, Yatesbury - Cllr Grafton reported that the trees at The Lymers belonged to Richard Gantlett. He had checked out the bridge and said it was safe.

Permissive paths at Sterts Pond - Cllr Grafton to check with Stephen Leonard the ownership of the paths in the area.

Blocked Drains - Yatesbury - Cllr Purslow had reported the matter to the Parish Steward.

Countryside Access/Combined Parishes Forum - Cllr Grafton to circulate the details of the new reporting system.

3969 Public Participation

Mrs Anne Henshaw had been unable to locate the Agenda on the Parish Council website.

3970 RAF Yatesbury Site

Ms Holly Simkiss, Planning Manager at Stonewood Partnership Ltd attended the meeting to present plans for the potential development at the former RAF Yatesbury site. She circulated some draft plans of the site and reported that the Company is information gathering at the present time, but that

they were hoping to apply for planning permission in Feb/March 2022. Cllr Tomlinson asked Ms Simkiss to put together a timeline for the process of consultation to allow the Parish Council to consult parishioners

3971 Planning Applications

Application No	Address	Conclusion
PL/2021/10408	Oldbury Ban, Maiden Lane, Cherhill, SN11 8UZ	Object - See below

- PL/2021/10408 - The Parish Council objected on a number of grounds, not least because the previous application regarding the landscaping had not been carried out properly, which compromised the existing application. There had also been no Design and Access Statement previously, meaning that the application remained incomplete. It was felt that the storm porch was not of adequate quality and would result in over-development of the site, taking away an already tight parking area. The porch would also be built over existing drains.

3972 Accounts

Clerk's Home/Office expenses for November at £69.00. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Grafton, seconded by Cllr Day. **APPROVED**

ARD Playgrounds for Tommy Croker replacement beams and buffer spring (to be reimbursed by Tommy Croker) at £987.00. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Purslow, seconded by Cllr White. **APPROVED**

The Garden Route for grass cutting at Tommy Croker from August to November at £390.00. Proposed to be approved by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Tomlinson. **APPROVED**

During the storms in November the surface of the byway at Jugglers Lane had been eroded and debris had washed into the drains, blocking a pipe. Mr Rob Pickford had agreed to undertake the work and had requested some funds from the Parish Council to help with the costs. It was verbally agreed by the Parish Council to approve the works. The invoice for £200 plus VAT had now been submitted for approval. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Purslow, seconded by Cllr Grafton. **APPROVED**

3973 Precept for 2022/23

Further to the Precept and budget discussions at the November meeting, Cllr Grafton proposed the agreed figure of **£15,000**, for the requested Precept for 2022/23, seconded by Cllr Purslow. **APPROVED by all Councillors**

The Parish Council Budget for Financial Year 2022-23 was proposed to be approved by Cllr Grafton, seconded by Cllr Purslow. **APPROVED. The Parish Council Budget for Financial Year 2022-23 will therefore be adopted at the beginning of the Financial Year 2021-22**

Action: Parish Clerk to return the Precept Requirement Form to Wiltshire Council by 18 January 2022 deadline, and to ensure the information is in the public domain.

3974 Community Governance Review Survey

Cllr White reported on the discussions at the meeting on 2 December regarding the proposed new boundary areas. Cllr Page expressed concerns that Yatesbury could lose its identity if swallowed up into a much larger Parish. It was agreed that Cllr White would complete the survey for Cherhill and Cllrs Purslow and Page would complete the survey for Yatesbury by the deadline of 30 December.

Action: Cllrs White, Page and Purslow

3975 Newsletter

It was agreed that Cllrs Gwyer and Day would produce a Newsletter early in the New Year 2022 to incorporate the Precept decision and the Community Governance Review. **Action: Cllrs Gwyer & Day.**

3976 Councillor Responsibilities

Clerk Admin Matters - The Parish Clerk had received a note on behalf of the WI to thank the Parish Council for providing the planter on the A4.

The Parish Clerk reported that the laptop was running seriously slow and at times is virtually unusable. **Cllr Purslow agreed to locate an expert to take a look at it in the New Year. Action: Cllr Purslow**

Website - Cllrs Purslow and White to meet up in the New Year to be trained on the website management and maintenance. **Action: Cllrs Purslow and White.**

Countryside Access/Combined Parishes Forum - Cllr Grafton suggested some Councillors walk the footpaths in the Parish again in the Spring.

Calne Area Transport Group - At the last meeting attended by Cllrs Purslow and White the item on speeding in Yatesbury had not been supported. The item on parking at Cherhill School was to be taken forward at the next meeting.

It was agreed Cllr Purslow should request that speeding at Marsh Lane and problems with the damaged verges, also in Marsh Lane should be items at the next meeting. **Action: Cllr Purslow**

Parish Steward - A new timetable is due shortly for 2022. Cllr Page agreed to deputise for Cllr Purslow on this item.

White Horse Restoration Group - Thanks were expressed once again to The Scouts and other volunteers who had been helping to weed the White Horse over recent weeks.

Lansdowne Monument - Cllr Gwyer agreed to take on this responsibility following Cllr Tomlinson's resignation.

Defibrillator - Cllr Gwyer agreed to look after the defibrillator at the Village Hall, Cherhill. Cllr White agreed to contact them regarding the changes in responsibilities for the Parish. **Action: Cllr White.**

3977 Confidential Matters

Any confidential matters discussed are not reported in the Minutes.

3978 Chairman of Cherhill Parish Council

Cllr Tomlinson stepped down as Chairman and resigned from the Parish Council as he is leaving the area. Cllr Grafton gave a short presentation thanking Cllr Tomlinson on behalf of the Parish Council for all his hard work supporting the Parish Council for nearly 15 years.

It was proposed by Cllr Purslow and seconded by Cllr Day that Cllr White be elected as Chairman. All Councillors voted for this proposal, which was **APPROVED**.

At this point Cllr White took over the role as Chairman of the Parish Council.

3979 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 25 January 2022, 7.30 pm - Cherhill Village Hall

Thursday 24 March 2022, 7.30 pm - Cherhill Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm.