

Minutes of the meeting of Cherhill Parish Council held remotely on-line on Thursday 8 April 2021

Please refer to The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, Regulation 5 regarding remote meetings

Present:

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

J R Auvray - CPC Councillor
J Day - CPC Councillor
Wiltshire Councillor representative
Paula Purslow – CPC Parish Clerk
2 members of the public

3861 Apologies

Apologies were received from Wiltshire Councillor Alan Hill.

3862 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Grafton declared an interest for the Planning Item, 21/00850/FUL, Oare Farm. Cllr Purslow declared an interest for the item discussing the Parish Clerk salary.

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

Action: The Chairman to sign off the minutes once social distancing restrictions have been lifted.

3864 Review of Actions

Role of the Parish Council - Cllr Purslow had walked the village boundaries and produced a worksheet of action on stiles etc.

Tommy Croker - Cllr White and produced a plan for Tommy Croker spend and agreed to circulate it to councillors. **Action: Cllr White**

Traffic Issues, Yatesbury - The Wiltshire Councillor representative to take the issues forward to CATG after the May elections. **Action: Wiltshire Council representative**

Rights of Way Issues - Cllr White had spoken to Joe Raven about the quote for works, but had not yet received a reply. **Action: Cllr White to chase Joe Raven.**

Cllr Grafton had spoken with the neighbouring Parishes regarding the damage of the byway, and it will be discussed at the next Combined Parishes meeting.

3865 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

3866 Planning Applications

Ms Amy Hallett attended the meeting to give an overview of the Oare Farm planning application.

Mr Rob Pickford attended the meeting to talk about the planning application he has submitted at Upper Farm House, Cherhill.

| Application No | Address | Conclusion |
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| 21/01645/FUL | Plot 1, White Acres, Maiden Lane, Cherhill, SN11 8UZ | No objections |

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| 21/01590/FUL | 10 Main Road, Cherhill, SN11 8UT | Object - see below |
| 21/02215/LBC | 10 Main Road, Cherhill, SN11 8UT | Object - see below |
| 21/00850/FUL | Oare Farm, 1 Marsh Lane, Cherhill, SN11 8XT | No objections |
| 21/01794/FUL | Upper Farm House, Park Lane, Cherhill, Calne, SN11 8XW | No objections |
| 21/01962/FUL | 11 Middle Lane, Cherhill, SN11 8XX | No objections |

21/01590/FUL & 21/02215/LBC - Councillors believed that the original heritage asset is being, step by step, consumed by over development of the site and that the proposed garage, sited in the middle of the site, would take that process a step further causing unacceptable harm. Councillors requested that permission be refused or at least be called in for consideration at a full planning committee meeting.

3867 Accounts

Clerk's Home/Office expenses for February at £20.85. The Clerk pointed out that the amount of the invoice had changed slightly from that of the Agenda as there was an extra £2.85 which had accidentally been omitted for A4 paper. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Tomlinson, seconded by Cllr White. **APPROVED**

D T Grafton - contractor work at £213.60. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Purslow, seconded by Cllr White. **APPROVED**

Kennet Print - DL leaflet for village distribution at £25.00. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Purslow, seconded by Cllr Grafton. **APPROVED**

WALC membership subscription at £307.87. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Tomlinson, seconded by Cllr Grafton. **APPROVED**

The authority to spend by RFO as set out in the Financial Regulations was proposed to be approved by Cllr Tomlinson, seconded by Cllr Purslow. **APPROVED**

The once a year authorisation of regular payments to enable direct payment by the RFO outside monthly meetings, circulated via e-mail, was proposed to be approved by Cllr Tomlinson, seconded by Cllr Purslow. **APPROVED.**

The Fixed Assets Register needed to be amended slightly to reflect the new Yatesbury Noticeboard and Tommy Croker equipment and to remove the strimmer. Cllr White and The Parish Clerk agreed to ensure the correct information was added and/or deleted and to bring the Register back to the May meeting for approval. **Action: Cllr White and Parish Clerk**

The Parish Council Budget was proposed to be approved by Cllr Tomlinson, seconded by Cllr Auvray. **APPROVED**

Action: The Chairman and RFO to sign off documents in person once social distancing restrictions have been lifted

The F/Y 2020/21 spend figures could not be approved until the May meeting as a reconciliation meeting had not taken place due to Covid-19 restrictions. **Action: Parish Clerk for May Agenda**

3868 Local Elections

Cllr Auvray had decided not to stand for the elections in May. Parish Councillors thanked Cllr Auvray for his work on the Parish Council over the last few years.

The resignation of Cllr Auvray meant that there may be a vacancy in Yatesbury after the May elections.

All other nomination forms from existing Parish Councillors had now been sent to Wiltshire Council by the deadline of 8 April.

3869 Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders and Highway Issues

A recent e-mail from Wiltshire Council regarding the TTRO/TTRN notification e-mails regarding traffic works sparked a discussion from Councillors about the recent problems with the roadworks on the A4 at Cherhill. Parish Councillors were extremely disappointed by the unsatisfactory reply from Atkins after they complained about the problems with the works carried out. The works had only partially been completed and there were conflicting answers within the letter as to when the works would be finished. The Parish Council had no evidence of a notification of works letter being sent to anyone within the area. There had been a great deal of disruption during the night, and the surface had been left very unsafe, particularly for two-wheeled vehicles.

The Wiltshire Councillor representative apologised on behalf of Wiltshire Council and agreed to take the matter forward with Atkins. **Action: Wiltshire Councillor representative**

3870 Tommy Croker

Cllr White pointed out that there had been an overpayment to Cherhill Parish Council from Tommy Croker funds of £448.41. The reason for the overpayment was because of the removal of the post installation inspection as this was carried out as part of the annual ROSPA inspections, and a further discount offered for prompt payment. It was proposed by Cllr Purslow that the amount be repaid, seconded by Cllr Tomlinson. **APPROVED. Action: Clerk to pay Tommy Croker**

3871 Newsletter

There are currently not enough items to warrant a Newsletter but it was agreed to produce a Newsletter after the May elections. Cllr White agreed to ask John Cavanagh for the e-mail distribution list. **Action: Cllr White**

3872 Councillor Responsibilities

Area Board - Cllr Tomlinson had not been able to attend the Area Board but had thanked Christine Crisp, via e-mail, for her support for projects in Cherhill over the years.

Clerk Admin Matters - The Clerk asked if Parish Councillors still wanted a guest speaker at the May Annual Parish meeting due to Covid-19 restrictions. It was agreed not to have a speaker this year.

The Parish Clerk reported that the AGAR review was due soon and Cherhill Parish Council had been one of the 5% of Parish Councils who have been selected for an Intermediate Review.

Countryside Access/Combined Parishes Forum

Mrs Henshaw had sent an e-mail raising a complaint about the condition of Bridleway 14 (Bunny's Lane) and Footpath 12a, saying it had been rendered impassable due to heavy agricultural machinery use. She also raised concerns that hedge cutting had been carried out during wet winter weather instead of in early autumn, which she believed would have caused less damage. Cllr Auvray reported that the Bridleway in question had now been cleared.

CATG - There was a discussion over the anomalies from CATG on works they were willing to fund within different regions around Wiltshire, particularly with regards to pavement clearing on the A4. The Wiltshire Councillor representative agreed to start discussions with CATG after the May elections. **Action: Wiltshire Councillor representative**

Cllr Day agreed to act as Deputy to Cllr Purslow for CATG.

Parish Steward - The Wiltshire Councillor representative agreed to talk to the Parish Steward asking again for feedback on works carried out within the Parish. **Action: Wiltshire Councillor representative**

Website - Cllr White agreed to have another discussion with the web designer to push the improvements forward and discuss the increase in spam and email hacks coming into the PC email system. **Action: Cllr White**

White Horse Restoration Group - Cllr Grafton reported that the White Horse currently only had three legs, due to weeds!

Some concerns were expressed by a number of councillors regarding trail bikes, which had been spotted trying to ride on the White Horse recently. The Wiltshire Councillor representative agreed to talk to his police contact about the escalation of antisocial behaviour within the Parish. **Action:**
Wiltshire Councillor representative

Lansdowne Monument - Cllr Tomlinson agreed to take the lead for responsibility on behalf of the Parish Council for this group.

3873 Confidential Matters

Cllr Purslow and the Parish Clerk left the meeting at this point as the Clerk's salary was discussed.

Any confidential matters discussed are not reported in the Minutes.

3874 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 18 May, 7.00 pm - Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting - Cherhill Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.