

Minutes of the meeting of Cherhill Parish Council held at Cherhill Village Hall on Thursday 24 March 2022

Present:

Nick White - Chairman
Martin Purslow - Vice-Chairman
Jackie Day - CPC Councillor
Claire Gwyer - CPC Councillor
David Grafton - CPC Councillor

Jane Page - CPC Councillor
Paula Purslow – CPC Parish Clerk
2 members of the public

3993 Apologies

Apologies were received from Wiltshire Councillor O'Neill.

3994 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

3995 Appointment of new Councillor

Mr Rich Carter was formally co-opted on to the Parish Council - proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Day. Mr Carter was welcomed and invited to join the meeting.

3996 Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25 January 2022

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

Cllr White signed off the Minutes.

3997 Review of Actions

Website - Cllr White to explore with other community based groups in the Parish if they wish to be attached to the Parish Councillor website – ongoing action

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

3998 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

3999 Planning Applications

Application No	Address	Conclusion
PL/2022/00972	Cherhill Primary School, Middle Lane, Cherhill, SN11 8XX	No objection
PL2022/01440	Oldbury Barn, Maiden Lane, Cherhill, SN11 8UZ	No objection
PL/2022/01579	8 Olivers Close, Cherhill, SN11 8XU	No objection
PL/2022/01653	Downsdale Cottage, 3 Maiden Lane, Cherhill, SN11 8UZ	No objection

- Cllr White reported that the old Divine Café site was now up for auction

4000 Accounts

Clerk's Home/Office expenses for Jan & Feb 2022 at £141.98. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Grafton, seconded by Cllr Gwyer. **APPROVED**

Replacement post for basket swing, Tommy Croker at £615.53. Proposed to be approved by Cllr Purslow, seconded by Cllr Day. **APPROVED**

4001 Community Improvement Ideas

Calne Without Parish Council had approached Cherhill Parish Council, seeking ideas for community improvement initiatives to spend some of their CIL money which would benefit both communities. Councillors discussed a number of possibilities, including Yatesbury Village Hall and the Tommy Croker Playground. Councillor Day suggested more defibrillators in the area around Calstone.

Cllr White agreed to respond to Cllr Doug Price from Calne Without Parish Council. **Action: Cllr White.**

4002 RAF Yatesbury Site

Cllrs Page and Purslow had formed a sub-group and met for the first time, where the Terms of Reference were agreed, and initial discussions made. Cllr Page noted that the planning application had changed since the first meeting with Stonewood Partnerships and the number of new houses had changed from 32 to 36, and the number of conversions reduced from 11 to 7.

It was agreed that once the application goes live the Parish Council will organise another community meeting, highlighting how the public can respond directly and become more involved with the planning process.

There was some discussion about the Parish Council employing an independent Planning Officer.

4003 Green Lanes Environmental Action Movement (GLEAM)

The Parish Council had been approached by GLEAM, asking them to take part in answering a number of questions within a consultation document calling for the prohibition of the use of green lanes by recreational motor vehicles. Parish Councillors were in agreement that a lot of destructive damage was being done by these vehicles throughout the parish and that it would be beneficial to respond to the questionnaire.

Councillors Purslow and Page agreed to draft a response to GLEAM by their deadline of 9 April. **Action: Cllrs Purslow and Page**

4004 Rights of Way Issues

The Parish Council had not been able to contact Joe Raven to discuss contracting work for the rights of way issues, so it was agreed that Cllr White would try to find a fencing contractor to undertake the works. **Action: Cllr White**

All Parish Councillors were asked to find some time to walk the Parish footpaths and photograph and report any issues needing work. **Action: All Parish Councillors**

4005 The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Both Cherhill and Yatesbury Communities had met to discuss celebrations within their villages. Cherhill had already put together a series of events over the Bank Holiday period. Unfortunately the Parish Council budget was unable to contribute to any celebrations as it was already fully committed to other spend for the coming year. It was agreed that the Yatesbury community would be invited to take part in the joint celebrations within the Cherhill events programme.

4006 Replacement of Parish Clerk

There had been no response to the advertisement for a new Parish Clerk. Cllr White agreed to advertise the vacancy on any relevant job sites, and to pay for an advert with WALC. If necessary, a locum Parish Clerk could be arranged via Wiltshire Council. **Action: Cllr White**

4007 Newsletter

There were currently not enough items to warrant a newsletter.

4008 Councillor Responsibilities

Budgeting & Finance – The Parish Clerk reported that Simon Day are putting their costs up from £132 to £216 for the Financial Year 23-24, and that the Parish Council should allow for this when preparing the next budget figures.

LHFIG – Cllr Purslow had joined a sub-group to discuss improvements to Cycle Route 403.

White Horse – The bagging of the chalk will take place on 10 and 17 May, followed by the spreading of the chalk on the horse on 21 May, weather permitting.

Defibrillators – Cllr Purslow reported that, although the machine was not beeping, new batteries were due for the Yatesbury defibrillator and agreed to order them. **Action: Cllr Purslow**

4009 Confidential Matters

Any confidential matters discussed are not reported in the Minutes.

4010 Date of next meeting

Thursday 28 April 2022, 7.30 pm - Cherhill Village Hall

Thursday 26 May 2022, 7.00 pm - Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Annual Meeting – Cherhill Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm.