

Minutes of a meeting of GREAT AND LITTLE CHISHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Venue: Village Hall
Date: 11th October 2018
Time: 7:30pm
Chairman: Cllr Dring
Parish Councillors: Pine, Clements, Harrison, Ridge, Wiseman, Hatt
Clerk / Proper Officer: Sarah Scott
County Councillors:
District Councillor: Cllr Roberts
Members of the Public: One member of the public.
Start Time: 7:30

1. Apologies for Absence (and reasons)

There were none received.

2. To receive any declaration of Pecuniary and non-Pecuniary Interest of Councillors

There were none received.

3. Approval of the Minutes from the meeting on 6th September 2018

These were approved as an accurate account of events by the Parish Council and were signed by the Chairman.

4. Public Participation.

To allow up to 10 minutes for any members of the public and Councillors declaring a pecuniary and non pecuniary interest to address the meeting in relation to the business to be transacted at that meeting.

There is a junior football coaching club taking place on Sundays. They are looking for sponsorship for 2 people to train with the FA Junior Coaching Team. It will cost £150 per head. At present provisional for 5 a-side coaching for under7's and 8's is taking place. This will be an agenda item for the November meeting.

5. Finance

The Clerk took the council for the finance sheets which had already been circulated. Cllr Hatt said that he thought the verges and hedgerows had not been maintained very well this year. The Clerk explained that this is a highways job and we a scheduled a certain amount of cuts per year (normally 2). She will forward this to Cllr Topping for a response.

The annual insurance payment is due. We use Came and Company who are the preferred Parish Council brokers. They had got three quotes for us and made a recommendation on one quote which we will accept. The premium is set for 3 years. The question arose about the insurance for the PFA/Village. This has been looked into several times and there is a good reason why it cannot come under an umbrella policy; the clerk to report back.

6. Planning

Heydon Grange. There had been a meeting about what is being proposed. The planning department had indicated to the applicant that what had been submitted thus far is very flimsy. The applicant had been shown the breadth of information needed by looking at the Waterbeach planning application. The applicant is having another meeting with planners in the near future with a view of submitting an application in the next few months. The Clerk had emailed some documentation to the Parish Council in relation to this development.

Bloomhall – The Clerk had not contacted them again.

Now the local plan is in place, Cllr Roberts said that she is confident that SCDC will hopefully toe the line re new large-scale planning applications. Already a scheme in her area has been turned down.

Hall Farm Barns - the clerk had been following up a S106 provision. She has contacted about any projects and the indicated that the skate park area needs a revamp. She has emailed Alison Talkington and awaits feedback.

7. Highways

The large lorry that has been parking in Heydon Road has not returned since the police came and spoke to the driver. The situation has not been easy to deal with and has involved dialogue from residents and also the housing association.

There had been more complaints about the loss of path on Hall Lane. The Clerk advise everyone to write a letter of complaint. The Parish Council will also do so. Cllr Hatt mentioned that you can report it on the fault website, but the Clerk strongly recommended everyone wrote too.

Salt boxes – these are to be filled soon.

Signage for non-treated road – the Clerk to follow this up with highways.

8. Security Committee

The Clerk has been sending out alerts on local crime. She has also been publicising the Wine and Crime Evening.

9. Windmill Committee

The circular path is being finished. Work on the fan tail will commence next year. There had been a very popular metal detector event event which had raised just over £1000.

10. Lock-up

The Chairman has a meeting with James Coney on this.

11. AED Unit

The Clerk had set up the training session with Peter Homent which was well attended and very informative. Some members of the Parish Council questioned its positioning in the village, but the background to this was explained. They also requested another unit be funded and erected in the village.

12. Plaistow

The willow tree has been chopped down and the logs stacked as agreed. The Clerk to purchase a silver birch as a replacement.

13. Utilities

Cllr Hatt wanted to understand why there is no cable and gas supply in the village and could it be implemented. Cllr Clements spoke about Gigaclear who might roll out to smaller villages, but it would be costly. With regard to gas, Cllr Hatt to look into this and report back. Cllr Hatt also spoke about the hardship some people might come under with the introduction of Universal Credit; he wondered if the Parish Council could offer loans. The Clerk said that we could not use the precept for this type of activity.

14. District and County Councillors Written Reports

The Parliamentary boundary change could happen whereby our Parliamentary Candidate would come from North Herts as opposed to South Cambs. The District Councillors are due to stay in South Cambridgeshire. A letter has been sent to Heidi Allen and it is recommended that we write too.

15. To Accept Notices & Matters for the next Agenda

Please note that no decisions can lawfully be made under this item. LGA 1972 s12 10(2) (b) states that business must be specified; therefore the Council cannot lawfully raise matters for discussion.

Junior Football Coach Training

AED Unit

The next meeting is on 15th November.

There being no further business to transact, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:33.