

**MINUTES OF THE A MEETING OF
GREAT AND LITTLE CHISHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

Venue: Village Hall
Date: 14th September 2016
Time: 7:00pm
Chairman: Andrew Gardiner
Parish Councillors: Dring, Ridge, Coney
District Councillors: Cllr Barrett
County Councillor: Susan van de Ven
Clerk / Proper Officer: Sarah Scott
Start Time: 19:30pm

1. Apologies for Absence (and reasons)

Cllr Loukes – Prior engagement
Cllr Clements – Prior engagement
Cllr Harrison – Prior engagement
Cllr Hales – Prior engagement

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

There were none received.

3. Approval of the Minutes of 14th July 2016

The minutes were a true and accurate account of proceedings and were signed by the Chairman.

4. Public Participation.

There were no members of the public present.

5. Finance – 10 mins

The Clerk had pre-circulated the finance sheets which were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

The next tranche of the precept is due at the end of the month

The Clerk has paid the insurance premium and Robert Law

6. Planning

The New Road application had been refused.

The clerk read out an email from SCDC relating to the North Hall Farm appeals, which were rejected with conditions. The Parish Council had offered to police the records which were requested showing occupancy of the holiday lets. They are waiting to hear back, although it was unlikely that the council would be allowed to do this.

7. Highways

Highways had met with the Parish Council regarding works to New Road and Heydon Road. After the meeting, the budgets were cut and Highways could not afford to assist with works which were essential to New Road. The road regularly floods at a brow of a hill and there have been accidents. Highways did concede at the meeting that as there was flooding on it needed sorting out. A local farmer also agreed it needed sorting as it flooded his land. The Parish Council agreed a price with the farmer and the works were completed. Our thanks to Mr Law and his team, as the works are now completed. With regard to Heydon Road the drains were to be rodded.

Footpath between - Chishill and Barley. A member of the public had expressed an interest in taking this on as a project, but unfortunately, in hindsight realised that they could not take this on. The Council to talk with the two landowners to see if this can be achieved in an informal or formal way.

8. A Report from Speedwatch

The Clerk read out a report from Speedwatch.

There is a costly problem with the camera. As solution may be that the sign still flashes and warns motorists, but does not record data. The Clerk to liaise with Speedwatch.

9. A Report from the Windmill Trust

Cllr Dring reported that Listed Building Consent will be sent out next week. The tarpauling has been re-anchored. The confirmed bat survey results are not yet in, but provisional result indicate that there might not be a problem.

10. Parish Council Properties

The Clerk to pass on some contacts to Cllr Coney. Cllr Coney is happy to do the joinery work.

Telephone Kiosk – the Clerk had advertised for trades / volunteers to paint the phone box. She had no response thus far, but will chase this up.

11. County and District Councils Written Reports

Great and Little Chishill Parish Council, September 2016, County Councillor Report

September 2016

County Councillor Report

Boundary Commission proposals published: Heydon and the Chishills to go with the new Duxford County Division from May 2017. Melbourn would go to Bassingbourn. Thus, school catchment areas are further broken apart.

Melbourn Village College has become the first village college in Cambridgeshire to teach Modern Chinese. This will be taught to all incoming students and also at GCSE level. It is also offering Spanish at GCSE – so, two of the world's great modern languages.

Citizens Advice Bureau at the Melbourn Hub: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 9:30-12:00. Please do remember to circulate – this free drop-in service is now well-established by North Herts CAB, paid for by South Cambs District Council.

Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton Rail User Group: meets next on 20 September at Melbourn Village College. From 2018, all three stations will offer a half-hourly service off-peak, as well as 8-car trains. Cambridge-bound platforms are to be lengthened; London-bound trains will use selective door opening. There will be a lot of new pressure on these stations, whose car parking facilities are either non-existent or full – so we are working hard on increasing the attractiveness of walking or cycling for those who are able, a possible shuttle bus service for those further afield, and more parking.

Cambridge traffic congestion measures: Please take a look at the latest consultation from the Cambridge City Deal, at www.gccitydeal.co.uk/congestion. The consultation is open until Monday 10 October, and asks for views on an 'eight-point package of measures to tackle congestion' in Cambridge. Of particular interest will be proposals for Peak-time Congestion Control Points (PCCPs). Cameras with automatic number plate recognition would be located at fixed points in the city, and drivers passing those points in peak hours would be subject to a fine. The suggested locations are on Queens' Road, Grange Road, East Road, Hills Road, Mill Road and Coldhams Lane. Buses, taxis, bicycles and emergency vehicles would be exempt. The proposals also include a Workplace Parking Levy – an annual fee charged to employers with staff parking spaces. The level of the fee, and the number of parking spaces at which the fee would start to be levied, have not yet been suggested, but the consultation points to Nottingham as an example, where employers with more than 10 employee parking spaces pay an annual fee of £375 per space, and can choose to pass that cost on to their employees. A peak time congestion charge at entry points to the city, which would generate income to subsidize a high quality bus service in the wider area, was rejected by the City Deal Board members. A consultation event will be held at Melbourn Village College: 14 September, 5-7:30 PM.

31 Bus: to be discussed!

Meeting with RCB school – Susan van de Ven to set up meeting to discuss community bus to Cambridge / rail head.

20:35 John Ridge leaves

Congestion charge – do consultation.

Parliamentary boundary proposals are out. Wards Melbourn, Great and Little Chishill and Heydon – go to Foxton with Fowlmere. Parliamentary ward will be North East Herts ward. Equalise the wards. Combined cross county parliamentary boundary. SCDC, CC -

12. Date of Next Meeting and 2017 Meetings

13th October 2016. Meetings next year, will be on the second Tuesday in each month. Clerk to pass dates to the Village Hall Committee.

13. To Accept Notices and Matters for the next Agenda – 5 mins

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

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:55.