The Annual Meeting of GREAT AND LITTLE CHISHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Venue: Village Hall
Date: 12th May 2022
Time: 7:30pm
Chairman: Cllr Dring

Parish Councillors: Ridge, Clements, Leitch

Clerk / Proper Officer: Sarah Scott
County Councillor: Non present
District Councillor: Non present
Members of the Public: Non present
Start Time: 7:37pm

1. The resignation of the Chairman and election of a Chairman to the Parish Council

The Chairman resigned Chairman. The Clerk chaired the meeting. Cllr Leitch proposed and Cllr Clements seconded that Cllr Dring be elected as Chairman. Cllr Dring proposed and Cllr Leitch seconded that Cllr Pine be elected as vice chairman.

2. Members of the Parish Council – Acceptance of Office and Declaration of Business Interests

Acceptance of Office forms were signed. The Clerk to send the declaration of business interests to Cllr Leitch.

3. Apologies for Absence (and reasons)

Clirs Pine and Hatt had previous commitments.

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

There were none received

5. Approval of the Minutes of 7th April 2022

The minutes were approved as an accurate summary of the meeting and were signed and dated by the Chairman.

6. Public Participation.

There were no members of the public present.

7. Finance - 10 minutes - Clerk

- The clerk read out the audit form summaries and these were approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.
 - The Clerk left the room.

• The Council discussed the Clerks salary. The council unanimously agreed to award the clerk at 1.75% pay increase in line with NALC Guidance. (This was typed by the Chairman).

Approve Annual Grants

Annual Grants Seniors Tea Party - £200
St Swithuns Grass cutting - £300
St Nicholas Grass cutting - £300
PFA - £2500
PFA - £750 - Grass cutting
Children's Christmas Party - £200
Great Chishill Youth Group - £1000
Children's Playground - £1000 - speak to playground
Great Chishill Village Hall - £3000
Windmill Grant - £2,500

The Clerk to pay these annual grants except the Playground (for the time being) and wait to hear what improvements are to be made.

The Clerk was asked to possibly budget for a new speed camera and this will be put to the Parish tomorrow.

8. Annual Review of the Policy Document

The document was approved and the clerk to circulate the new code of conduct which will be discussed at the next meeting.

9. Planning - 5 minutes

- LDF, there is currently no further news
- Land in Village, there is no further news

Cllr Ridge had attended the planning meeting relating to Barley shop. He had been less than impressed by the lack of support by the Barley Village. Great Chishill Parish Council had shown their support in the initial planning application. It was noted that it would be terrible to lose the shop.

10. Lock-Up

The Chairman is waiting on quotes from a company in Royston (who did the bench base).

11. Highways – 10 minutes

- Outstanding highways issues in Great Chishill (path, white lining, drains). These are still outstanding and a further email is to be sent to Cllr McDonald.
- Outstanding highways issues in Little Chishill. Again, Cllr McDonald to be emailed.
- Straw lorries from Langley. Currently there no further movement of lorries.
- Potential extension to footpath. This is to be picked up with our new District Councillor.
- Handrail at Little Chishill Church. This could be a highways issue as the entrance is also a Public Footpath. To be reported on the website and follow up with Cllr McDonald

12. Village Hall Update

To be addressed at the meeting tomorrow.

13. Cyber Security at SCDC and County

Cllr Clements would look into this. It was commented that this loss of internet would be something that the National Security would be in charge of. It was reported that Fibre broadband has not been installed to Little Chishill.

14. Councillor Email address

After discussion it was felt that having personal email addresses on the website was not good practice. It was suggested and unanimously agreed that the Clerk set up a new contact form on the website with appropriate wording so that if a member of the public wanted an issue raised with a specific councillor, then they should indicate this on the form.

15. To Accept Notices & 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 to conduction the Chairman closed the meeting 20:26.