

MINUTES OF A MEETING

GREAT AND LITTLE CHISHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Venue: Village Hall
Date: 24th April 2014
Time: 7:30pm
Chairman: Andrew Gardiner
Parish Councillors: Coney, Murgatroyd, Erskine, Dring, Harrison
County Councillor: Susan van den Ven
Clerk / Proper Officer: Sarah Scott

1. Apologies for Absence (and reasons)

Susan van den Ven – Previous engagement
Val Barrett – Previous engagement
John Ridge - Holiday

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

One application is the Chairman's next door neighbour.

3. Approval of the Minutes of 10th March 2014 (already circulated)

These were approved as a true and accurate account of proceedings and signed by the Chairman.

4. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

5. Finance Report

The Clerk took the meeting through the finance sheets. Blanche and Co will audit the accounts for the Parish Council. The sheets were approved.

6. Village Hall Update

The Chairman and Clerk had meet with Stuart Farrow. He is in agreement that some funds needs spending on hall, particularly as there as large reserves. There are now new members on the Village Hall Committee. At the APM Stuart will update the meeting on refurbishment plans.

7. Planning

- S/0769/14/FL – Proposed double car port and workshop, 14 Maltings Lane
This was recommend for refusal. The height is still inappropriate to the setting, the overall size is too large and causes overdevelopment to the site. The Parish Council can see no material changes since the previous planning application; the footprint is the same the modifications are minor.
- S/0582/14/FL Conversion of redundant timber frame barn into a single bedroom dwelling, Hyde House, Little Chishill Road, Great and Little Chishill, Royston, Cambridgeshire, SG8 8PD. This was recommended approved with no additional comments.
- S/0555/14/FL Erection of wooden shed in the front garden, 64 Heydon Road, Great And Little Chishill, Royston, Cambridgeshire, SG8 8SR

This was recommended for approval with the proviso that a shed alarm is fitted.

- S/0503/14/FL Rear single storey extension & associated alterations, 3 May Street Barns, May Street, Great And Little Chishill, Royston, Cambridgeshire, SG8 8SN
It was recommended for approval with no comments.

8. A Report on Speed Watch Activities

The Chairman, Clerk and Cllr Harrison had met with Martin Gruselle to discuss next steps. The flashing sign is to be situated on New Road, collating data but with no warning to see if there is a reduction in speed when the warning light is turned on (post note meeting, it does make a difference and more cars speed with it turned off). The Clerk to contact Barley PC about their Police Enforcement Speeding Signs. The Clerk to also circulate information from Buckinghamshire County Council re speeding prohibitors. The Police Panel meeting has formally said that speeding with now not be a priority for them. They may send the police van up occasionally.

9. Movement of National Speed Limited to 40mph from Windmill to Village

In principle the Parish Council have been given to introduce at 40mph speed limit from the windmill to the 30mph limited in Barley. The Parish Council are receptive of this idea. The Clerk to pursue this.

10. A Report on the status of the lease agreement Windmill by the Windmill Charity

The Parish Council was very concerned that the lease still had not been signed and the time delay in this was unacceptable; it has been 4 Years since this project started. Cllr Murgatroyd could not offer a time frame for lease to be signed. He said that a benefactor of the windmill is coming to visit the site and in the region of £29k has been left to repair the mill. It was proposed that Cllr Dring be the Parish Council liaison person with the Windmill Group by the Chairman. The Parish Council endorsed this suggestion. Cllr Erskine wanted to find out the name of the solicitor which the Windmill Trust are using.

11. Village Lock-up

Cllrs Dring and Coney have looked at this. Inside the lock up is sound. It would benefit a new door and the window needs looking at. Planning / conservation may have to be involved. Clerk to investigate with Cllrs Dring and Coney.

12. Written Reports from the County and District Councillors

Cllr Hales spoke about the SIL taking over from S106. He reported that there are some niggles with the LDF but the consultation should be resolved by October 2014.

13. To Accept Notices & Matters for the next Agenda

Two candidates were chosen for the Community Awards, they will be awarded at the APM in May.

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