MINUTES OF A MEETING

GREAT AND LITTLE CHISHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Venue: Village Hall

Date: 8th January 2013

Time: 7:30pm

In Attendance:

Chairman: Andrew Gardiner

Parish Councillors: Harrison, Murgatroyd, Erskine, Cartwright, Dring

County Councillors: Van de ven
District Councillors: Hales, Barrett
Clerk / Proper Officer: Sarah Scott

1. Apologies for Absence (and reasons)

Cllr Ridge - Unwell

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

There were none declared

3. Approved the Minutes of 28th November 2012 (already circulated)

It was agreed that these were a true and accurate account of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman.

4. Public Participation

There were no members of the public

5. Planning Applications

5.1 Holiday Lets

Enforcement is to visit both sites – the Clerk to follow up

5.2 Barley Road

The Parish Council had no opinion on the amendments, but the Clerk would respond reiterating their opposition to the original planning application, also starting that both the house and site had failed to sell on the open market and explaining their initial reservations.

6. Local Development Framework

The Chairman took the meeting through the document that he and the Clerk had produced for the meeting. If the Parish wanted to make a meaningful submission this needs to be in by 17th February 2013. It was agreed that this would be a good idea, so the Parish Council is to hold a public meeting to discuss the topic. The Chairman and Clerk are to get together to produce an

invitation. The Clerk will put the link to the SCDC documentation on the website and also tidy up the Parish Councils document and upload that too. Cllr Hales gave the Clerk a telephone of Peter in Melbourn with regard to village amenity orders.

The Chairman circulated a letter from Mr Slowman on this subject.

7. Speed Watch – Cllr Harrison

A portable piece of equipment has been found, which will warn motorists that they are speeding and also capture data. Karen Lunn from highways has been out to look at suitable places for the machine to be sited. Martin Gruselle is expected to come to the next Parish Meeting with a proposal including costs for installing the equipment. The Chairman thanked Cllr Harrison.

8. Windmill

The Clerk read out a report from Jim Brearley and there is hold up at present due to obtaining insurance at a reasonable rate. The Clerk to get the contacts for Swaffham Mill, Cambridge Past and Present and Ashdon Mill to see if they have any ideas. She will pass these to Cllr Murgatroyd. Also Came and Company was suggested and as well as a village contact. Clerk to also get this information to Cllr Murgatroyd.

9. Finance

9.1 To set the Precept

Chairman explained the letter from Sally Smart and the rating base being reduced by 4% in 2014/15. The Clerk had circulated the finance sheets and had calculated a predicted year end figure. After discussion it was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Cllr Murgatroyd that the precept remains the same for 2013/14.

10. District and County Councillors Reports

Cllr van de Ven spoke about the pavement and road audit. The Clerk had previously submitted the pavement requirements, but it was asked that New Road be added. The Clerk reported that the sugar beet on New Road had been collected with little verge damage, which was pleasing.

31 Bus - The consultation will be taking place soon. The new scheme set up to help with gaps in public transport does not appear to be working out and this needs to be addressed.

Superfast Broadband – the Great Chishill percentage response is 52%. Some villages have a 100% response rate. The County is to borrow £20 million pounds for this initiative with no return.

11. To Accept Notices & Matters for the next Agenda

Cllr Erskine – To discuss a Village Hall Manager

Cllr Murgatroyd - the bus shelter light needs fixing

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:29.