

A Meeting of GREAT AND LITTLE CHISHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Venue:	Net Meeting
Date:	14 th January 2021
Time:	7:30pm
Chairman:	Cllr Dring
Parish Councillors:	Wiseman, Clements, Hatt, Pine, Ridge, Harrison
Clerk / Proper Officer:	Sarah Scott
County Councillors:	Cllr MacDonald
District Councillor:	Cllr Roberts
Members of the Public:	Two members of the public
Start Time:	7:30pm

1. Apologies for Absence (and reasons) – 2 Minutes

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 November and December (circulated)

The December minutes to be approved at the next meeting, the November minutes were approved at the December meeting.

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.

Jamie West and John Gandy were present to give an overview of progress to date.

- Over 50 pledges of financial support had been received, there is a shortfall at this time as a refurbishment will need to be undertaken
- Most of the community are aware that there is an investor who is keen to purchase the pub who wants to engage with the community and has ambitions for the pub which are in line with the result of the survey as to what the village wants from the pub ie a community pub with community events
- The investor is in discussions with the current landlord and the pub is 'under offer'
- The group are to put a piece in the newsletter, social media and website to offer an update

The Chairman added that he had been in contact with SCDC regarding the moratorium and hopes to have news next week.

5. Correspondence Received (already circulated)

There were no additional questions / comments on the correspondence logs circulated to date.

A discussion took place as to if the new correspondence regime should continue. The Council was split as to its benefit but agreed that it should continue for another 6 months.

6. The Pheasant Public House (Great Chishill Community Pub Ltd)

See above.

7. Covid – 10 minutes

The Clerk spoke of her correspondence with our Patch Manager who she is kept up to date with the latest advice. Cllr Roberts commented that Covid appears to be plateauing in the area. The vaccinations at Stevenage appear to be going well. Addenbrookes is busy but more people are surviving. The overall death rate in our South Cambridgeshire is comparatively low.

8. Planning – 10 Minutes

- North Hall Farm – there is no news
- May Street Wall – there will be no appeal and the applicant will rebuild the wall and the trees will be preserved
- Phone Mast – there is no further news on this. The Clerk had received a planning letter which stated that SCDC were legally obliged to inform neighbours of a planning application which could affect them. This, in her, mind added weight the PC's complaint about this application. The Clerk to send this to Cllr Roberts. Action: Clerk
- LDF – Cllr Roberts said that villages will have a chance to comment on sites and will be contacted soon. SCDC are in the process of preparing some sort of questionnaire. Cllr Clements commented that he was door dropped by a resident with regard to the field in Barley Road.
- Cllr Dring commented that there is a planning that we will have a meeting in the next week or so as there was not enough time to put it on this agenda

9. Finance

The Clerk had already circulated a draft budget for approval. The Council went through the draft budget and it was agreed to set it as per the documentation. There followed a discussion about setting the Precept. Some Councillors thought it should rise slightly, others thought not. A vote was taken on the motion to raise the Precept by £500 for the next financial year from £23,000 to £23,500. The vote was recorded and the motion carried by 5 votes to 2. Action: Clerk to submit the Precept request.

Finance Sheets - these were approved by the Council.

10. Highways

The Chairman had followed up with highways on the outstanding works and had received confirmation that these will be undertaken soon. The Clerk had received news that the drains in May Street are blocked and will contact highways. Action: Clerk

Cllr Ridge spoke about a slow sign to be painted on the road in Little Chishill. There followed a discussion about the straw lorries and speeds they are travelling, the damage to the roads and also the debris that they leaving. It is understood that the current lorry movement is to remove all the straw from the site in Langley.

11. Broadband Gigabyte Vouchers – 10 Minutes, Cllr Clements

Cllr Clements explained the principles of the Gigabyte scheme whereby it requires a percentage of the village to express an interest. If everyone expresses an interest then it is the pre-order figure that the companies look at to roll this out. The main players are Cambridge Fibre, County Broadband and BT Openreach. Packages range in price from £30 - £60 per month (with TV packages on top of this figure). It might not be until 2023 until it is rolled out to rural areas. The advantage of Open Reach is that they have to open it up to other service providers.

Cllr Harrison had a question about connection to the building if the wiring is not up to standard. Cllr Clements said that the companies will not look at wiring but will provide routers. Cllr Hatt asked if we could pressure on BT Openreach but Cllr Clements said it was unlikely to invest more money to rural areas but did say that there are some government subsidies due next year which could help rurals. Cllr Roberts suggested that Cllr Clements speaks to the Chairman of Fowlmere Parish Council as they have managed to get the scheme there. Action: Cllr Clements to speak to Fowlmere PC and also BT.

12. Lock-up – 5 Minutes

The Chairman to revisit this before the next meeting. Action: Chairman

13. Windmill Committee

As previously reported, there were still safety issues in letting the Mill turn on its own. The cleaning of the Mill is on hold as the group are in talks with the paint manufacturer, they are dissatisfied with the way the paint (as recommended by English Heritage) has weathered.

14. District and County Councillors Written Reports – 10 Minutes

Cllr Roberts spoke about a recent report about planning. She pointed out that in an excerpt from the report that Parish Councils feel they are not listened to and many planning applications are not going to committee but being decided by the planning officer and that elected District Councillors are being circumvented.

The planning permission for the Langley Barn was refused. Cllr Roberts had spoken to the District Council for Langley and had a good discussion and asked him to take on board the strength of feeling of those in Great and Little Chishill. She also spoke to the Chairman of Langley PC who was very supportive of the feelings and was prepared to speak at committee. In the end it was refused undelegated. It is not known if the applicant will appeal but Cllr Roberts was concerned about the wording on the refusal document.

Cllr McDonald reported about the figures of people being admitted to Addenbrookes, it did look like they would hit 300 covid cases but this is looking unlikely now. At one stage they were admitting 20 a day (but not all from our area). The death rate is not as high as other areas and there are 100 beds for a special treatment whereby oxygen is infused in the lungs.

Cllr McDonald is going to ask if Granta medical can use Duxford for the vaccination process (after the success of using Duxford for the flu jab). Granta are saying it could be tricky to manage because of the 15 minute waiting time after the jab (due to manpower). Cllr Harrison said there is manpower available as organisations such as St Johns Ambulance had offered their services.

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 the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:20pm

Liz

Epidemiology

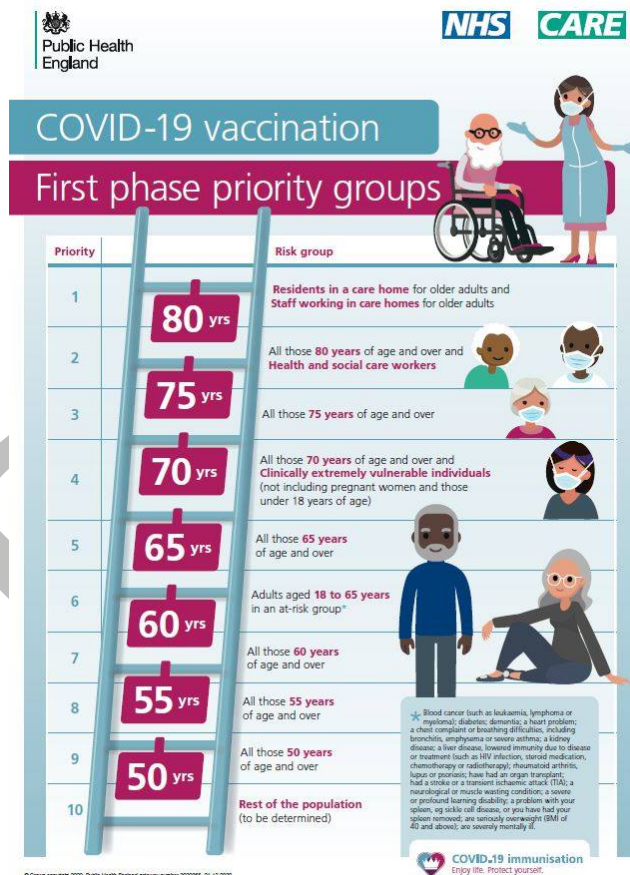
Rates in most districts across Cambridgeshire have increased to between 400-500 per 100,000. Although the rates are lower than the national and regional average, they are rising more quickly in percentage terms.

Incidence rate for the week up to 31st Dec 20

	Weekly Incidence (cases/100,000) & trend vs previous 7 days		7-day change in case rate (%)		Weekly incidence -60+ years (cases per 100,000) & trend vs previous 7 days	
	31-Dec		31-Dec		31-Dec	
Cambridge	505.6	↑	82.9%		283.4	↑
East Cambridgeshire	407.4	↑	74.3%		340.0	↑
Fenland	377.0	↑	80.3%		385.8	↑
Huntingdonshire	463.6	↑	111.6%		307.0	↑
South Cambridgeshire	435.0	↑	70.5%		254.0	↑
Peterborough	453.4	↑	12.1%		329.6	↑
EAST OF ENGLAND	730.1	↑	22.7%		474.6	↑
ENGLAND	546.9	↑	32.6%		363.7	↑



Vaccination I think you all know the vaccination hierarchy but here it is anyway. Granta Medical Practise will be starting Cat 1 & 2 Jan



15th

Summary of County Council Services Opened & Closed

Coroners - The Coroners service for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough is continuing to operate as normal. Inquests are continuing to be held remotely (via Skype) and in person. It is recommended that people attend inquests remotely where possible.

For more information on the service including contact details and forthcoming inquests visit [here](#)

Household Recycling Centre – All nine HRCs in Cambridgeshire will remain open as usual during lockdown with safety measures in place, however customers are advised to avoid unnecessary visits.

For more information, including opening hours and booking timeslots visit [here](#)

Libraries – All libraries in Cambridgeshire are open, with safety measures in place but operating a restricted service. Customers can use the Select and Collect service to choose and pick up titles, as well as using computers by appointment, with bookings limited to those using public services only. For more information about library services and opening hours visit [here](#)

Registration Services - Following the lockdown announcement, marriage and civil partnership ceremonies can only take place in exceptional circumstances (such as one party with a terminal illness meaning very short life expectancy) and both council's

registrations teams are in the process of contacting all couples with a ceremony booked in January and February to discuss options. In Cambridgeshire, the county's registration service is open for certain pre-booked appointments only:

- Deaths that took place in Cambridgeshire (these are conducted by telephone)
- Births that took place in Cambridgeshire
- Notices of marriage or civil partnership (ceremony must be booked first – these can be booked for late Spring onwards)
- Citizenship ceremonies

Copy certificates, for events previously registered, can be ordered online.

For full details about Cambridgeshire registration services and / or to book visit [here](#). If you are unable to book / order on-line then please call 0345 045 1363.

Residents can continue to register births, but there may be a longer wait than usual for an appointment. Death registrations take place over the telephone, you can book an appointment by calling the office or online.

For notice of marriage/civil partnership appointments – customers with booked appointments during lockdown can still attend. The team is contacting, in ceremony date order, those couples who need to give their notice of intention.

Citizenship Ceremonies - Small group citizenship ceremonies are being held. To book a place call 01733 864646.

Certificates - Orders can only be taken for certificates from recently registered births and deaths. The priority service is suspended.

Clinically extremely vulnerable urged to shield and seek support if they need it - Residents across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough who have been identified by the NHS as clinically extremely vulnerable are being urged to shield once again, following the announcement by the Prime Minister of a further national lockdown.

You can read the full guidance on shielding on the government website, visit <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19>

If you have previously registered or have already secured priority supermarket delivery slots, you don't need to re-register. But if you haven't already done so, you can register online today. To access the registration service, go to <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus-shielding-support>

Contact details for the local support hubs are as follows:

- If you live in the South Cambridgeshire District Council area: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/coronavirus or 0345 045 5219

If you are not sure which is your local hub, contact the countywide coordination hub via www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/coronavirus or call 0345 045 5219.

The national NHS Volunteer Responders service is also still available, and support can be accessed via <https://nhsvolunteerresponders.org.uk/services>, or by calling 0808 196 3646 (8am to 8pm, 7 days a week).

Peter McDonald
January 10th 2021.