

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF GREAT AND LITTLE CHISHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Venue: Village Hall
Date: 16th July 2014
Time: 6:00pm
Chairman: Andrew Gardiner
Parish Councillors: Harrison, Murgatroyd, Ridge, Coney, Dring
Clerk / Proper Officer: Sarah Scott
Start Time: 19:28

1. Apologies for Absence (and reasons)
Jose Hales – Previous commitment
Susan van Den – Personal
2. To receive any declaration of Pecuniary and non-Pecuniary Interest of Councillors
Cllrs Coney and Dring live opposite 38 Heydon Road.
3. Approval of the Minutes of 16th May 2014.
These were approved by the Council as a true and accurate account of proceedings and were signed the Chairman.
4. Public Participation.
There were no members of the public present.
5. Finance Report
The Clerk took the meeting through the finance sheets and these were approved and signed by the Chairman.
A cheque was signed for the Clerks Cilca submission.
The Clerk asked if the Parish Council could purchase a new dog waste bin for the Plaistow. The District Council had advised that they would not replace it, but said they were happy for the Parish Council to install a new one. The Clerk to organise.
6. Membership of the Parish Council
Janet Erskine has formally written to the Chairman to resign. The Clerk needs to advertise the post and will do so after checking the formalities. A resident has shown an interest in joining the Parish Council and will be considered for co-option.
7. Village Hall Update
The Clerk to send an email to Stuart Farrow for an update on activities and also to check if Anna Coney is now a member of the committee.
8. Planning
S/1414/14/FL - 38 Heydon Road, Great Chishill. This was reviewed by the Parish Council and unanimously approved with no further comments.
Bridgefoot Farm - one of the buildings which was built as an essential managers building is up for sale. The Clerk has sent this information to Paul Sexton, for him to check any planning constraints, but has not heard back. Cllr Barrett to chase and report back.

North Hall Farm - the Chairman explained the latest update, whereby at a recent court appearance the defendant entered an 'abuse of process plea'. The hearing has been adjourned to August.

The drain problem at Rectory Farm, Little Chishill has not been fixed. The Environment Agency should have been out as they called the Clerk earlier in the year. The Clerk to chase Environmental Health again.

There have been complaints about the state of the garden at 37 Heydon Road and the fact that the occupants park on the pavement, therefore blocking it. There was also a query about number 41 Heydon Road as the occupant claims to have another house in London. Cllr Barrett to speak to housing.

The Parish Council had received a letter of complaint about the removal of hedging either side of the road by the Raglan development. The Chairman had spoken to the landowner about it. Raglan have also been contacted and ask to remind the tenants that they should not be cutting down any of the hedging or greenery outside their houses on the other side of the path. The Parish Council will be asking Raglan to reinstate the hedge that has been removed. It was part of the planning approval that the greenery, shrubs and hedges are left in situ.

9. A Report on Speed Watch Activities

Cllr Harrison asked if a summary of speedwatch and its activities could be put on the website. The Clerk to do this, once Cllr Harrison or Martin Gruselle pass on the narrative to her. The Clerk to arrange a meeting with Martin Gruselle and the Chairman to talk about the next steps. The Clerk added that an email had been circulated which showed the process for requesting the police enforcement van to come out.

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

The Clerk had submitted a minor highways improvement grant application to partially pay for this work. The draft consultation paper has been approved by Mike Cooper and is currently with David Lines. Once approved it will be printed and delivered in September.

11. A Report on the Windmill by the Windmill Charity

Cllr Dring had been to the most recent meeting and reported on the restoration plan. Various areas of the windmill need strengthening. A tarpaulin is being sought to protect the mill further. Cllr Dring commented that progress is being made and there will be more committee meetings coming up.

12. Village Lock-up

Cllr Coney will be having a pre-application meeting with Conservation. The Bier is still in situ, the windows need some work, so does the door. Cllr Harrison to obtain Lorna Prior's book and pass it to Cllr Coney.

13. Written Reports from the County and District Councillors

The District Councillors report had been circulated. Cllr Barrett reported that there is a briefing at South Cambridgeshire District Council the following day on the LDF. It is due to be approved in October; she will update us accordingly.

14. To Accept Notices & Matters for the next Agenda

There were none and there being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at

20:31. The next meeting is on 17th September.