

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
GREAT AND LITTLE CHISHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

Venue: Village Hall
Date: 21st March January 2018
Time: 7:30pm
Chairman: Cllr Coney
Parish Councillors: Pine, Clements, Harrison, Ridge, Dring
Clerk / Proper Officer: Sarah Scott
County Councillors: Peter Topping
District Councillors: Cllr Barrett
Members of the Public: Deborah Roberts, Hazel Hayden, Neil Heywood, Robin Dibblee
Start Time: 7:31pm

1. Apologies for Absence (and reasons)

Cllr Loukes – Family commitments.
Cllr Hales – Previous commitment

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

There were none received.

3. Approval of the Minutes from 17th January 2018

These were approved as an accurate account of proceedings and were duly signed by the Chairman.

4. Public Participation.

Security

Robin Dibblee handed out crime stats for the surrounding villages. James Lynch had a meeting with the security group today. Ecops cannot be used as an early warning to villagers as not all crimes are uploaded. The team to see Paul Rogerson to talk about how Ecops could be more effective for us. The plan is to link up with Barley, Barkway and Chrishall for an early alert system. Neighbourhood Watch – the security team think this is not an appropriate model for our village. They would like an email list created whereby if there is a local crime it becomes an alert to be sent out to those who have subscribed to an email list. A letter is to be attached to the village newsletter to see if people want to join a list. A proforma should be attached stating how the personal data will be used and seeking permission. A discussion took place as to how best to send out the alerts maybe using something like Mailchimp whereby email addresses are hidden. The use of the PC Facebook account was discussed and this can also be used. A meeting will be set up with the Clerk to work on the letter and to also take into account GDPR legislation.

Windmill

Hazel Hayden gave an update of the windmill. The last 12 months have been successful for fundraising. The board sale raised £18150. A £77,000 grant was also received. Charitable status was approved and 25% of donations can be claimed back. It was fantastic to get help from local residents in the restoration project. Hazel reported that to make the steps and rails safe, there would be an additional cost of £3850 plus vat. She also spoke about the fact that when they undertook the project they thought they could claim the VAT back because they were a listed building, but that scheme was abolished and it had made a significant dent in their funds. The committee thanked the Parish Council for their financial assistance.

5. Finance – 10 mins

Village Ball – To resolve if the Parish will pay for the hire of the Village Hall for the Ball. It was suggested that the ball committee approach the Village Hall first to see if they will waive the fees. If there is a negative response, then the Parish Council will cover the cost.

Membership of NALC – this is not needed as we are members of CAPALC we are automatically members of NALC.

Windmill – it was unanimously agreed that the Parish Council will pay the Millwright invoice.

6. GDPR

The Clerk gave an overview of her training and will work to make the Parish Council compliant.

7. Forthcoming Elections

There was a discussion on the election process. It is understood that two members of the public are proposing to stand for election. The Clerk will request an up to date version of the electoral role to enable her to give out electors' numbers as requested. Cllr Ridge offered to take the nomination papers to SCDC.

8. Planning – 10 Minutes

Pond House, Heydon Road, to put in footings. This was unanimously approved.

9. Lock-up

The drawings will be soon completed and then the application will be submitted.

10. Highways

The clerk has added a link to report potholes on the website and she will put something in the newsletter. She is reporting potholes on a regular basis. The Chairman asked Cllr Topping about the gritting of secondary routes, he will report back. The Clerk can now request that grit bins are replenished via a link into highways.

11. D of E Litter Picking Initiative – 2 Minutes

It was agreed to support this. With clauses to work from April to September and stick to parish paths only. The Parish council to draw up some paperwork and provide a high viz jacket and a litter grabber.

The fly tipper which Cllr Ridge help catch has pleaded guilty and will be sentenced at Crown Court.

12. Defibrillator Update

This is going ahead and a meeting will be taking place this week to firm up the logistics. The clerk to purchase signage for the village.

13. County and District Councils Written Reports

Cllr Topping reported that the District Council is launching a green energy scheme from proceeds from windfarms / solar panels. The scheme will offer grants for renewable energies in village communities such as LED lights or solar panel for village amenities such as village halls. Cllr Pine to take this to the Village Hall Committee.

There are some funds available for improvements to the A505.

SCDC will not now be the provider of school meals. It looks like a consortium of small schools will get together to work on getting a catering contractor to service their provision.

There is an additional £1m supplement for potholes / drainage repairs to the roads in the county

A scheme for a new 24hr petrol station at Duxford off the M11 is afoot.

14. To Accept Notices & Matters for the next Agenda

Parish Clerks Salary.