

## Minutes of a meeting of GREAT AND LITTLE CHISHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Venue:	Village Hall
Date:	14 <sup>th</sup> November 2019
Time:	7:30pm
Chairman:	Clr Dring
Parish Councillors:	Harrison, Ridge, Wiseman, Clements, Hatt
Clerk / Proper Officer:	Sarah Scott
County Councillors:	Clr Topping
District Councillor:	Clr Roberts
Members of the Public:	There were one member if the public present.
Start Time:	7:30

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**1. Apologies for Absence (and reasons)**

Clr Pine – Previous engagement. This was accepted by the Council.

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

There were none declared.

**3. Approval of the Minutes from the 17<sup>th</sup> October**

The Council approved the draft minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting and the Chairman signed and dated them.

**4. Public Participation.**

A question was raised about the upcoming roadworks. The Clerk had been informed that the road to be closed was in Heydon.

**5. Correspondence Received – 10 Minutes**

Email from a SCDC re registering The Pheasant Public House as a Community Asset

Email from Robin Dibblee re the chalk pit clear-up

Email from a Parishioner about recent break-in's and asking if a gate could be installed on Bull Meadow. The Clerk to ask the landowner.

Email from Clr Roberts, supporting the PC's concerns re the wall on Heydon Road

Email from Enforcement re Colts Croft and Heydon Road issues

Email from Clr Topping in response to a message from the Clerk, re highways

Emails from various Parishioners regarding additions / deletions from the Security database

Email from Barkway PC and a Parishioner re Flint Cross and applying for Minor Highways Grants

Email from the Chair of the Village Hall Committee re speed humps and PC website

Email from Black Rock re Chishill Charities

Email from Tess Gent re Christmas Tree Festival. The Parish Council will take part in the festival, but the Clerk will not be around to decorate the tree, but will make the decorations.

Email from Street Lights re unaccounted for Street Lights

Email from a Parishioner re Speed Watch and taking on Speech Watch. The Council to put something in the newsletter.

Email re Bus Survey. This has been circulated on the website, the PC's and on Facebook

**Subsequent to the agenda**

Email from Village Hall re building a porch. The Parish Council sees no problems with this.

Email from Walden re phone mast – the Parish have an issue that it is right on a parishioners boundary and will put this in writing.

**6. Planning – 10 Minutes**

- S/3558/19/FL Single storey side and rear extensions, 16 Hall Lane, Great Chishill – no objections
- 14 Colts Croft – An enforcement notice has been served
- Heydon Road – Demolition of the Flint Wall. Clr Robert is to talk to Julie Ayres and the Parish Council to also write to her as we are in a conservation area and that was cited in the refusal. There is a considerable amount of flint walls in the village and they are an important feature of the village. Clr Roberts to ask Julie / enforcement / planning to come and visit the village to assess the situation

**7. Finance – 10 Minutes**

- Finance Sheets. These had been updated and circulated to the Councillors. The Precept is to be set at the next meeting
- Chishill Charities. This should be closed shortly. The Clerk to arrange funds to be distributed to various parishioners in the village.
- Clr Dibblee has asked if the Parish Council would pay for a skip for the chalk put clear up. This was agreed.

**8. Highways – 10 Minutes**

Clr Topping said he had met with John O'Brien to discuss our issue. Unfortunately, many of the issues raised when Clr Ridge and the Clerk met with Mr O'Brien were not covered, but some items we were not aware of where, such as the gullies in Wallers Close were cleaned and Wallers Close was resurfaced. The white lines at the junction of New Road have been done. The drains in Colts Croft were jetted out to. Below is a list of what we were expecting following our meeting in July:

White Lineing throughout the village  
Hall Lane Path Repairs (including a hole filled by stoles opposite 17 Hall Lane)  
Hall Lane Path Replacement  
Drains on Hall Lane towards Essex on the B1039 and Little Chishill  
Flooding on New Road  
Trees on May Street  
Dragons teeth at the village entrances

The Chairman to email Jon Clerk and Clr Topping will provide his email address.

- Issue with Speed Humps on the road to the Village Hall. The Village Hall Committee / PFA are actioning this.

- Possible replacement of Speed Sign. Cllr Clements had got some costings to replace the sign which could range between £2000 and £3000. It was decided at this stage not to replace it.
- Flint Cross junction. There is a steering group which has got a grant to look into possible options from the A505 from Duxford to Royston. The research should be done in the summer and the options / plans for the road will be collated.

**9. Street Lights -**

Cllr Topping asked about the transfer of power supply to the Parish Council. The Clerk said it had been pretty straight forward and it is all in place.

**10. The Pheasant Public House – 10 Minutes**

The Parish Council is forming a committee for this. The Clerk will contact those people who have shown an interest and a member of the PC will also be on the committee.

The Clerk has had various correspondence from SCDC relating to the Community Asset application for the pub. The car park and garden will also be part of the application.

The clerk also asked about SCDC about registering other assets. The responses were:

Phone box – already owned by the PC so it is not registering as an asset  
 The lock-up (as above)  
 The Playing Fields and Plaistow (as above)  
 The Village Hall – as it is on PC land and the PC are custodian trustees it is not worth registering  
 The Pavilion – stands on PC land so not worth registering  
 The Windmill – this is owned by CCC and leased by the Windmill Committee, so not worth doing

**11. Windmill Committee – Cllr Hatt - 5 Minutes**

Outstanding works will be continued to be done. Once the gearings are on the mill should turn to the wind. The hedge had also been cut back.

**12. Speed Watch – 5 Minutes**

See correspondence

**13. Lock-up – Chairman - 5 Minutes**

The Parish Council is awaiting planning permission.

**14. District and County Councillors Written Reports**

Cllr Roberts concerned about reinstatement of footpath and is to chase this up as works should have started. Cllr Roberts spoke with Chief Executive and expressed concerns about planning and enforcement. The excuses are of shortage of staff and retention and so temporary housing contractors are initially assessing applications. The land supply identified for the LDF is not enough and if this is not rectified SCDC could find themselves in the same situation as before the last LDF whereby it would be open season for developers.

Cllr Topping spoke about Parishes connecting with one another to assist with issues such as contentious large planning applications and agreed with what Cllr Roberts had said about planning.

**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 20:41.