

Minutes of Cherhill Parish Council meeting held in the Cherhill Village Hall Cherhill on Monday 10th March 2008 at 7.30pm

Present:-

Councillors

D Evans – Chairman
Mrs. J Gantlett – Vice Chairman
Mrs. S Bodman
M Kamkar
D Grafton
B Seed
D Willett

Mrs. B Raven – Clerk of the Parish Council
6 Members of the public (part of meeting)
County Councillor Mrs N Bryant

1821 Apologies

There were no apologies

1822 Public Participation

Mrs Una Cavanagh and 4 Mothers of children at Cherhill School raised the issue of getting a 20mph speed limit throughout the whole village of Cherhill. Mrs Cavanagh pointed out she had information that policies are to be adopted throughout the County for 20mph limits. Walking children to school is very dangerous as there are no pavements. One suggestion was could we have a gateway into the Village and have Please Drive Slowly signs. District Councillor Mrs S Bodman informed the meeting that County will not implement these limits until all 30mph limits have been installed. It was asked if funds could be raised to speed up this request. Villagers suggestions would be appreciated. County Councillor Mrs N Bryant has discussed the bus problem with County. She said Parish Council should write to Mr Spencer Drinkwater at County asking for cost and querying part funding, also where we are on the 'priority list'

Mrs Anne Henshaw expressed concern about Rights of Way. She requested the Parish Council write again to Mr Broadhead regarding temporary TRO – cheaper than a repair bill. Cllr Mrs M Kamkar reported she has a meeting with Mr Broadhead regarding Bridleways. Mrs Henshaw also reported the drain is blocked from the Pond to the ditch. Clerk to report to Parish Steward. Mrs Henshaw also asked about Hangar 45. There is no development yet.

1823 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2008 having been previously circulated and confirmed as a correct record were signed by the Chairman – proposed by Cllr Mrs S Bodman and seconded by Cllr D Grafton

1824 Accounts

Clerks Salary and expensed £308.31 – it was proposed by Cllr B Seed and seconded by Cllr D Grafton that this account be paid

British Telecom £54.74 - it was proposed by Cllr B Seed and seconded by Cllr D Evans that this account be paid (paid by direct debit as agreed)

1825 Planning

Planning Applications were discussed – Copy list on file with minutes.

1826 Tommy Croker Playing Field

Clerk reported a new Committee was working well and the next meeting is on Monday 18th March 2008 at 8pm Black Horse. Maintaining the maintenance of the equipment was discussed. It was felt the Parish Council were responsible for this. Cllr D Grafton to contact Steve Aplin for quote . It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Gantlett and seconded by Cllr M Kamkar that the Parish Council pay for this to a maximum of £400.00. Cllr Mrs S Bodman and County Councillor told the meeting of funds available. Cllr Mrs S Bodman to attend Playing Field Meeting to explain options available

1827 Quality Status

The Clerk reported she will be attending a ‘Focus on Fice’ meeting together with Cllr M Kamkar when this is an agenda item – report to next meeting

1828 Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

The Clerk reported this appeared to be doing well. She has found another 8 co-ordinators. These will be contacted by PCSO Sarah Hardridge. This is a lengthy procedure for Sarah who has to visit every household.

1829 Yatesbury Pond

Cllr M Kamkar suggested we have an annual maintenance drawn up from our Precept. She felt it should not always be the responsibility of the Scouts. Clerk will contact the Parish Steward and get him to look at the drainage and cut the grass around the pond.

1830 Rights of Way

Cllr M Kamkar reported damage to byeway 3 was caused by person who rents the land from Mr Barnett using heavy equipment which is damaging the Byeway. Most of the damage is done in the summer. The Parish Councillors felt it was not necessary for the Clerk to write to WCC again as Cllr Kamkar was going to meet with Mr Broadhead. It

was agreed the Clerk write to the Farmer concerned saying we understand access is essential but could the tenant carry out remedial work at the end of the season. Cllr M Kamkar raised the matter of parts of Bridleways missing 14 – 20a and 20a – BBAD6 to BBAS1. Discussion took place regarding this issue and all Councillors (one could not vote – vested interest) were in favour of Cllr Kamkar investigating this matter. It was agreed Cllr M Kamkar be responsible for Yatesbury and Cllr B Seed is responsible for Cherhill

1831 Wiltshire Unitary Authority

This has now been implemented, passed by the House of Lords. County Councillor Mrs N Bryant stated that Kennett are still objecting to this. Website for info is www.boundarycomm.org.uk. It will take 2 years to complete. 1st April 2009 is change over day. New name is Wiltshire Council. The saving is supposed to be in the region of £18000000. Cllr M Kamkar and the Clerk attending Focus on Five meeting where a representative from WCC is giving us up to date information and will answer any questions we may wish to raise.

1832 Cherhill Website

Cllr B Seed reported this is now up and running. Discussion took place regarding keeping this up to date. It was proposed by Cllr D Grafton and seconded by Cllr D Evans that the Parish Council pay an annual amount of £400.00 to Cllr B Seed commencing on 1st April 2008. This will be subject to an annual review. Clerk to place notice in magazine and also leave letters in the hall for various hall users to inform them that they should let Cllr B Seed know of anything they would like put on the website

1833 Parish Steward

Councillors reported jobs that need attention – the stream in Marsh Lane is blocked, Yatesbury Pond and brambles overhanging the A4 by the school playing field. Clerk to contact Nick Potheary

1834 Cherhill Action Steering Group/20mph limit through Cherhill

The group has their next meeting on 18th March. The speed limit was discussed under Public Participation – Clerk writing to WCC

1835 Circulation of Folders, time and frequency of meetings

The Chairman asked Councillors to pass these folders on after 2 days. Some folders lately have taken over 3 weeks to circulate. It was agreed the Yatesbury Councillors will have the folders first in future. All the Councillors felt there was no need at present to alter time between meetings.

1836 Parish Council Newsletter

Cllr D Evans reported he had a meeting with Rev P Bromley to discuss the Villages Magazine – this would not be suitable. After discussion it was decided we produce a quarterly Newsletter which will be delivered to every household in both villages. Cllr D Evans volunteered to produce the first 2 issues (6 months) Cost would be £43.00 for 430 copies. – Input required – contact Cllr D Evans. Councillors/Clerk will volunteer to deliver leaflets

1837 Correspondence

A letter was read out by the Chairman from Divine Catering who are taking over the café on the A4. All correspondence placed folder for distribution

1838 Cherhill and Yatesbury Village Plan

Cllr D Willett reported Wiltshire Collage are doing the data analysis which will be available by the end of April. Public meetings will be later in the year. – Update for AGM

1840 Village Matters

Cllr D Grafton reported all the white lines in Cherhill are very worn – Clerk to contact Clarence. He also reported PC Alan Blake had informed him he has been checking traffic in Middle Lane. Councillors voted not to enter Best Kept Village Competition

Cllr D Willett reported he will put up the posts and sort out the grass at the end of Middle Lane during the Easter Holidays.

Clerk reported she had had a telephone call from the Developers of Hangar 45. They have nothing to report but hope to have a public meeting at the site shortly.

1841 Speaker for AGM

It was suggested the Clerk contact PC Blake and ask him to give a report on Neighbourhood Policing

1842 Dates for next meetings

It was resolved the next meeting will be held in Cherhill Village Hall on Thursday 8th May 2008 (our AGM) at 7.30pm Clerk has booked this.

14th July 2008 Yatesbury, 11th September Cherhill, 10th November Cherhill and 8th January 2009 in Yatesbury

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45pm