

Minutes of the meeting of Cherhill Parish Council held in Cherhill Village Hall on Tuesday 25th July 2017 at 7.30pm

Present:-

Councillors:

M Purslow - Chairman
S Tomlinson – Vice Chairman
D Evans
D Grafton
J Cavanagh
M Wilkins

Parish Clerk
2 members of the Public

3318 Apologies

Apologies were received from Wiltshire Councillor A Hill.

3319 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3320 Public Participation

Mrs A Henshaw had attended the recent CATG meeting and reported that there was reluctance to action a request for revised road markings alongside the layby adjoining the Simmons property at the bottom of Labour-In-Vain Hill. However, a highways officer agreed to investigate the proposal.

Funding is not available for a formal road-sign on The Avenue in Yatesbury indicating "To Church and Manor Only". An informal wooden sign would be acceptable to the Highways Dept. Clerk to investigate.

Barrow Way is now acceptable but Yatesbury Lane has been damaged over the winter by 4x4 vehicles. Hedges need to be cut well back but this cannot be done until the Autumn.

3321 Minutes

To approve as a correct record and sign the Minutes of Meeting held on 21st June 2017, previously circulated. Proposed by Cllr D Grafton and seconded by Cllr D Evans.

To approve minutes of extra ordinary meeting on Friday 30th June to approve the accounts. Proposed by Cllr J Cavanagh and seconded by Cllr D Grafton.

3322 Accounts

Clerk's Salary £254.50 for July – it was proposed by Cllr M Purslow and seconded by Cllr D Grafton that this account be paid (Salary due 10th each month.)

Clerks expenses £23.85 – it was proposed by Cllr D Grafton and seconded by Cllr S Tomlinson that this account be paid.

Kennet Print £25.00 – it was proposed by Cllr M Purslow and seconded by Cllr D Evans that this account be paid.

3323 Planning

To note the following planning applications:

17/005361/CLE - Hills Waste: Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use of site for waste management.

17/06891/TCA The Grange, Middle Lane – tree surgery.

17/05028/OUT White Acres, Maiden Lane, Cherhill. Councillors expressed concern about the accuracy of the current tree locations depicted on the application. Clerk to relay these concerns to Wilts Council Planning Dept.

17/01972/REM Land to the rear of 21 Middle Lane. Councillors expressed disappointment that recommendations from the County Archaeologist had not been actioned in granting approval and undertakings made to the Parish Council by the Planning Dept had not been honoured. Clerk to write to Associate Director Economy & Planning to outline concerns. The Clerk also to contact Wiltshire Badger Group to inform them of possible badger activity on the site

3324 Cherhill and Yatesbury Facebook

Councillors discussed using Facebook as a method of cascading to villagers information received from a variety of sources. It was agreed that councillors would highlight to Cllr M Wilkins any information, publicity or flyers which they believe should be passed on to a wider audience. Cllr M Wilkins agreed to post the highlighted information on the Parish Council's Facebook page.

3325 Siting for Defibrillators in both Villages

Cllr J Cavanagh reported he had checked the school gates on 3 separate occasions and found them to be locked. Councillors agreed this is not compatible with siting a defibrillator on the wall of the school building and resolved to investigate the fitting of the defibrillator on the public side of the school boundary. Clerk to contact School Business Manager.

Cllr M Purslow is progressing Yatesbury phone box as a location, glass is needed to replace about 6 panes. Cllr M Purslow also reported an enquiry about sponsorship of the full cost of the Yatesbury unit and he undertook to liaise with the potential donor.

Cllr Simon Tomlinson stated that the balance of donations received should be published. See website.

3326 Vacancy for Cherhill Councillor

Mr Mark Stevenson attended the meeting with a potential interest in the vacant position. He explained however, that as he is not currently confident of remaining a resident in Cherhill he did not wish to seek appointment.

3327 Transparency Code

Cllr J Cavanagh outlined the requirements of the 2014 Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities. A copy of the Code was forwarded to the Clerk for action and compliance was discussed.

3328 Traffic Survey

Clerk to contact J Vaughan with a view to progressing a survey in the area of the school, as suggested by Wilts Cllr A Hill.

3329 Report from CATG

This was covered under Public Participation

3330 Village Matters

Cllr. D Evans reported an overgrown hedge on the corner of Park Lane and The Street. Clerk to write to the occupier.

Cllr D Evans reported that three former excavations had sunk in The Street: near number 4, near Purbeck House and near number 32. Clerk to contact Parish Steward

Cllr D Evans reported a hole beside a drain cover in The Street near Mill Lane junction. Clerk to contact Wessex Water.

Cllr M Purslow reported green waste being dumped along the bridleway at the back of a property on The Street, Yatesbury. Clerk to write to all occupants in vicinity. Cllr M Purslow will deliver letters.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm

3331 Date of next meeting

It was resolved the next meeting will be on 29th August 2017 in Cherhill Village Hall starting at 7.30pm