

## CHARTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at Chartridge Village Hall on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2009 at 8.00 p.m.

Present: Cllrs, Brown, Davies, Gordon, Keen, Lherbier, Lunn, Jones and Pegg.

Also present: The Clerk, District Cllr Rose and Ms Julia Binns, Bucks County Council Adult Social Care.

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllr Howell

2. Minutes of meeting 427, 7<sup>th</sup> January.

The minutes were amended as follows and signed by the Chairman.

Item 4, penultimate paragraph to read: *Cllr Lherbier reported that Bucks Highways had been unable to clear drains where they encroached on to Widmore Farm. Cllr Lherbier will Email details to County Cllr Birchley who will discuss this with the owner.*

3. Declarations of interest.

Cllrs Brown and Jones declared an interest in Planning Application 1988.

4. Questions from members of the public

Ms Binns introduced herself to members and outlined her role with Bucks C.C. which provides preventive care, telephone support and on-going support for vulnerable adults. Members were encouraged to advise her, as first line of approach, of any individuals needing help. There will be a surgery in Chesham Town Centre on 15<sup>th</sup> April and Ms Binns would be happy to address social groups including coffee mornings.

District Cllr Rose expressed concern over the demise of Local Area Committees, to be replaced by Local Area Forums. District and Parish Councils are against the move but Bucks C.C. has not taken objections into account. It is generally felt that LAFs will diminish the stature of Parish Councils. Chiltern D.C. is considering reinstatement of Town and Parish Forums. District Council tax will increase by 3.9% and there will be cut-backs on concessionary travel, ward budgets and committee sandwiches.

Cllr Rose had made enquiries regarding noxious smells emanating from Braidwood Activity Centre and will personally follow up the matter when Braidwood is next in use.

Cllr Rose reported that Bucks C.C. say they have road salting stocks for 38 days. Salting may have to be reduced if more snow falls. He has asked Bucks C.C. to return Bank Green to the salting list.

5. Affordable Housing.

Cllr Brown said that a planning application is expected shortly.

6. Widmore Farm drainage

The Chairman had received a letter of complaint from the owner of Widmore Farm regarding Council minutes dated 7<sup>th</sup> January. He had spoken to her and responded in writing.

7. Provision of salt bins.

**Within one week of this meeting members will send details of existing salt bins to the Clerk who will collate the information and ask Bucks C.C. for immediate action to fill them. Members will also assess possible locations for additional bins.**

8. Planning

a. Decisions.

1726. School House, Asheridge.

Allowed.

- 1776EU. Rear of 346 Chartridge Lane. Allowed.  
1884. Saxeway Business Centre. Withdrawn.  
1953UA. North of Top Cottage, Hyde End. Allowed.

b. Outstanding

1988. The Bull Public House, Bellingdon. **The Council is aware that the application may be contrary to Green Belt and AONB policies. Apart from that, however, we have no objections to the built form or design of the proposed development. Chiltern District Council should consider whether the proposed car park extension is within the existing area of the pub.**

0033. Five Elms, Bank Green. No observations.

0058. Newhaven, Bellingdon. No observations.

0063. 344a Chartridge Lane. No observations.

c. Appeals.

An appeal against the refusal of CH/2008/0950/FA (various extensions and dormer windows) at Pednor Ridge, Pednor, was dismissed.

Appeals have been lodged against the refusals of CH/2008/0612FA and 0613HB (extensions and listed building consents) at 1,2 &3 Hawridge Lane, Bellingdon.

9. Finance.

a. The Clerk's financial statements were received.

b. The following invoices were approved:

<b>Almar (Tring) Ltd, playground sign.</b>	<b>£35.00</b>
<b>Chartridge Village Hall, rent.</b>	<b>£6.00</b>
<b>Mrs S Gordon, website registration.</b>	<b>£51.73</b>

10. Representatives' Reports

a. B.A.L.C.

Cllr Lunn reported the following from the B.A.L.C Executive Committee meeting on 21st January.

**Parish Liaison Officer.** A discussion paper has been received by the Committee from the County Council relating to the creation of the above new post on a temporary part time basis. The primary purpose of the job will be to develop working relationships between BCC and parish and town councils, including the development and implementation of the GC2C (Getting Closer To Communities) programme.

**London Luton Airport.** Due to lower passenger numbers using the airport since September 2008 the master plan detailing the airport expansion proposals will probably not be published until 2010.

**London Heathrow.** The 2008 consultation regarding revised airspace arrangements generated a huge response. There may now be an additional public consultation exercise to reflect changes to the original plans. However this exercise may be affected by the recent Government decision to build a third runway.

b. Highways.

i. **Bucks C.C. will be asked to clear drains at the top of Ramscote Lane where serious flooding takes place.**

ii. **Cllrs will, within the next two weeks, report on pothole locations. The Clerk will collate the information and report to Bucks C.C.**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.42 p.m.

Chairman.....

Date.....

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March in Bellingdon & Asheridge Village Hall, 8 pm.