

CHARTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at Bellingdon & Asheridge Village Hall on Wednesday 30th July 2008 at 8.00 p.m.

Present: Cllrs Brewer, Brown, Howell, Jones, Lherbier and Keen.

Also present: The Clerk, District Cllr Rose and fourteen members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllrs Gordon, Lunn and Stephen.

2. Minutes of meeting 421, 11th June.

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. Declarations of interest.

The following interests in item 6b were declared:

Application 0943. Cllr Howell.

Application 1104. Cllr Lherbier.

Application 1106. Cllr Brown.

Application 1238. Cllrs Lherbier and Brown.

4. Questions from members of the public

- a. A presentation was given by Dlp Planning Ltd regarding substantial expansion of The Bull Public House in Bellingdon. The applicants hoped to receive comments from the Parish Council at an early stage and propose to hold a public exhibition of the plans later in the year.
- b. District Cllr Rose said that, contrary to general County policy to replace them, the Chiltern Local Area Committee would remain in place until an acceptable alternative could be identified.

5. Affordable Housing.

The following response will be made to an application to register land close to Bloomfield Cottages as a Village Green:

"The Parish Council does not believe that the land in question has been used by a significant number of people for lawful sports and pastimes. The Parish Council strongly objects to the application".

6. Chartridge Playground.

- a. Cllr Howell reported that new play equipment is installed.
- b. It was noted that some bolts are loose on the entrance gate and other areas.
- c. **An inspection by Wicksteed Leisure will be arranged.**

7. Chartridge Playing Field.

A letter had been received from Chiltern D C refusing to take responsibility for maintenance of fences and benches. **Cllr Howell will draft a response.**

8. SLCC Summer Seminar.

The Clerk reported on the seminar and ILCM Conference and distributed copies of his notes.

9. Chilterns Conservation Board Planning Training.

Cllrs Lunn and Howell and the Clerk had attended this training session and Cllr Howell reported that the session had concentrated on sustainability and what to look for in planning applications.

10. Bloomfield Pond.

Cllr Brown agreed to complete a Chilterns AONB grant application form for renovation works to the pond and will discuss the matter with the Chiltern Society.

11. Planning

a. Decisions.

0512. OS Parcel 3100, west of Garrets Wood, Bellingdon.	Allowed.
0527. Saxeway Business Centre.	Withdrawn.
0693. Oak House, Peppetts Green.	Refused.
0612. 1,2 &3 Hawridge Lane, Bellingdon.	Refused.
0613. HB for the above.	Refused.
0841. Hyde House, Chesham Road.	Allowed.
0883. Little Orchard, Bellingdon.	Allowed.

b. Outstanding

0689. 352 Chartridge Lane.	Outstanding.
0855. West Lodge, Hyde End.	Outstanding.
0943HB. The Barn, Mapletree Farm West.	No observations.
0950. Pednor Ridge, Pednor.	No observations.
1014. 344A Chartridge Lane.	No observations.
1019. 349 Chartridge Lane.	No observations.
1036. Mount Nugent Farm.	No observations.
1037HB. LBC for the above.	No observations.
1104. Springfield Cottage, Asheridge.	No observations.
1106. High Mead, Bellingdon.	No observations.
1169. Baptist Chapel, Chartridge.	No observations.
1227. Elm Cottage, Buslins Lane.	No observations.
1238. Asheridge Arms (Blue Ball).	No observations.

c. Appeals.

None.

12. Finance.

- a. The Clerk's financial statements were received.
- b. The following payments were approved:
 - i. **Chartridge Village Hall (rent) £6.00.**
- c. **The Clerk will compare interest rates with alternative bankers.**
- d. **It was resolved that a payment of £50 to Chesham Museum should be made.**

13. Representatives' Reports

- a. It was noted that Cllr Jones has been appointed as a School Governor.
- b. Cllr Lherbier reported that the NAGS meeting had concentrated on traffic speed issues.
- c. It was noted that Cllr Stephen, having not attended a meeting during the extended term agreed at a meeting of the Council on 21st May 2008, has automatically forfeited his membership of the Parish Council. **The Clerk will take the appropriate actions required by law.**

14. Bucks CC Planing and Patching.

It was noted that work has taken place in Chartridge and Bellingdon but nothing has been done in Asheridge or Pednor. **Cllrs Brewer and Lherbier will give details of problems in these areas to the Clerk for transmission to Bucks Highways.**

15. Chiltern Development Framework.

District Cllr Rose outlined the key aspects of the Core Strategy Options Paper. The Parish Council will respond as follows:

"Chartridge Parish Council supports the District Councils objectives of protecting the Green Belt and AONB as far as possible and ensuring that any development is sustainable and affordable.

Chartridge Parish is adjacent to Chesham Town and much recent development along Bellingdon Road and Chartridge Lane has affected residents of this Parish, for instance through increased traffic congestion.

Chartridge Parish Council therefore considers that option 3, which shares development around Chalfont St Peter as well as Chesham and Amersham, should be pursued."

16. Chilterns AONB Management Plan 2008-2013.

No comments.

17. Clerk's Terms and Conditions of Service

The meeting went into closed session for discussion of the Clerk's Terms and Conditions of Service.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.45 p.m.

Chairman.....

Date.....

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 10th September at Chartridge Village Hall, 8 pm.