

CHARTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday
11th June 2014
In Chartridge Village Hall at 8 p.m.

Present: Cllr Brown (Chair), Cllrs Lherbier, Keen, White, Russell, Davies, Mathias. The Clerk

1. To receive apologies of absence
Apologies were received from Cllrs Jones, Howell and District Councillor Rose
2. To approve minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 7th May 2014
Approval of the minutes was proposed by Cllr Keen and seconded by Cllr White
3. To appoint a Vice-Chairman to the Parish Council
Cllr Davies accepted the role, proposed by Cllr Keen and seconded by Cllr Lherbier
4. To receive declarations of interest
None
5. To receive questions from members of the public
 - i) A request to reposition the sign in Cogdells Lane that refers to No Parking, to reflect that fact that parking is not permitted along the roadside.
 - ii) A request to question CDC on the quality of the grass cutting within the Parish
 - iii) A request to refer environmental issues relating to a property in Chartride, to the Environmental team at CDC.
 - iv) A request to report the frequent deposit of rubble and other waste at a property in Bellingdon.
6. Chairman's report
Development of the housing at Bloomfield Cottages is progressing well. Awaiting to hear from Cllr Rose on the Rural Housing Exceptions Policy.
7. Matters arising
 - a. Clerk's report.
The Parish Council discussed at length their approach to the application for appeal relating to the Bull, Bellingdon. The Parish Council would like to note their sincere thanks to John Taylor and Jeremy Evershed who have dedicated their time to advise and help with the preparation of documentation.
It was agreed to follow the Clerks recommendation to renew membership with BALC, but not SLCC.
 - b. To do list
The To Do List was reviewed
 - c. Local Area Forum
The next meeting is scheduled for 25th June. Cllr Lherbier will delegate if she is unable to attend.
 - d. LAT update. As per the Clerk's report.
 - e. BCC Local Councils Devolution Conference
This applies to 30mph zones only at the moment. Cllr Lherbier to keep the council updated.
 - f. Duke of Edinburgh
Cllr Brown proposed a colour coding approach, so each group is identifiable. The Clerk to comment back to D of E.
 - g. To formally stand down the Sub-Committee formed to work with Chartridge Residents and the Broadway Bowls Club.

Cllr Jones proposed the subcommittee be stood down. This was unanimously agreed.

Cllr White updated members on recent concerns expressed by Mr Franklin, as follows:

- i) The current fencing is in a poor state of repair and much of it needs replacing
- ii) Which local teams currently make use of the playing fields? The fields were given to the children of the Parish and it would be a pity if they are not making full use of the facility.
- iii) The fields generally appear a little unkempt.

It was agreed that the Council would share these comments with the Chartridge Residents Association on the basis that they may like to develop some ideas on how to encourage increased use of the playing fields and form a working party to tidy it up.

- h. Detailed inquiry into county's public transport. To discuss whether this council would like to submit comments at this stage. Findings will go to cabinet in the Spring of 2015.
Cllr Lherbier to draft a response for comment at the next meeting.
- i. NALC consultation with regard to Underground Drilling (this also covers Fracking). Councils are invited to respond by 8th August 2014.
At this stage the Council has no comment to add.
- j. Recycling unit (clothes) within the Parish
The Parish Council has been approached by a private recycling company to consider siting a clothes recycling container within the Parish.
This would need to be discussed by the Bellingdon & Asheridge Village Hall Committee because the proposed site belongs to the hall.

8. Planning

a) Decisions.

0320 FA	Ramscoat Wood Estate, Mount Nugent	Replacement Barn	Conditional Permission
0501 FA	37 Bloomfield Cottages, Bellingdon	Extensions & new vehicular access	Conditional Permission

b) Outstanding applications.

0594 OA	331 Chartridge Lane	Erection of two dwellings (renew)	No objection
0672 FA	Huge Farm, Bellingdon	Convert barn to habitable space	No objection
0673 HB	Huge Farm, Bellingdon	Listed Building Consent for the above	Comments already submitted
0727 FA	Meadow View, Bellingdon	First floor rear extension	No objection
0647 FA	Bolt Hole Farm Barn, Chartridge	Conversion of barn to dwelling	
0709 FA	Harwin House, Bellingdon	Extensions	No objection
0765 FA	Chiltern Ridge, Old Sax Lane, Chartridge	Erection of verandah	No objection providing the veranda is not overlooking neighbours. Cllr Mathias to speak with Cllr Jones

c) Appeals.

None

9. Finance

i) As accounts had not been returned from the auditors the Clerk will arrange an Extra-ordinary meeting for approval of the Annual Return.

10. To approve invoices for payment including:

- a) Clerk's salary and expenses
- b) To approve £156 + VAT + £50 delivery for the replacement gate from the Chartridge Playing Fields to the footpath across agricultural fields.

11. Representatives' Reports.

School Transport – a letter has been sent to all parents explaining the proposed changes to Home to School Transport within the county. Cllr Brown has requested an analysis of the cost to travel children by bus vs. taxi.

12. Items for road gangs.

Hedge at the top of Hawridge Lane on the corner with Meadow Barn
Footpath on the corner of The Warren and Chartridge Lane
Grass cutting in many areas, particularly vision splays, is potentially dangerous.
Speed sign, Asheridge Hill, needs cleaning.

E L van Hullen
Clerk to the Council

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