

CHARTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 23 January 2019 at 8pm in Chartridge Reading Rooms

Present:

Councillors Alan Booth, Juliet Davies (Chair), Peter Jones, Derek Keen, Joan Lherbier and Ellie White

In attendance:

Ms Kate Boulter (Clerk)

1. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Councillors Lee Kemp and Paul Wright.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2018

The minutes were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

3. Declarations of interest

None.

4. Notification of Any Other Business

- PC Kevin Flint
- Donation to St John's Church Bellingdon
- Franklin Playground
- Councillors' Newsletter

5. Questions from members of the public

None.

6. Update from County and District Councillors

County Councillor Patricia Birchley reported that:

- The County Council's budget proposals for 2019/20 were complete. Children and Adult Social Care was a huge pressure, taking up 70% of the budget.
- There had been an inspection of Children's Services which found them to be 'poor'. There was a shortage of social workers and home counties faced competition from higher London salaries.
- The Government had announced that a 'Shadow Authority' led by the current County Council Leader Martin Tett, and comprising 147 councillors, would form the interim unitary council from 1 April 2020 with new elections to be held in May 2020. The District Councils were considering applying for a judicial review of the decision on the basis that it was undemocratic.
- Meeting with Parish Councils would take place in preparation for the change to a unitary authority.

District Councillor Nick Rose had sent apologies.

7. Matters arising

(a) Parish Councillor Vacancy (Bellingdon)

There had been two expressions of interest for the vacancy. One of the candidates was in attendance as a member of the public to observe the meeting, and introduced himself to councillors. The other candidate had not been able to attend this meeting. The Parish Council **AGREED** that councillors would meet with both candidates with a view to making a decision to co-opt at the next meeting.

(b) Local government elections

The next Parish Council elections were due to take place in May 2019. Due to the creation of a unitary authority in 2020, the next Parish Council elections would be at the same time as the Unitary Authority elections, in May 2020.

(c) Unitary Authority

Buckinghamshire & Milton Keynes Association of Local Councils had announced dates for Parish Unitary Liaison meetings, and the Clerk would circulate dates to councillors.

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<p>(d) Website JD/PW/KB would meet to agree the design and content of the new website.</p>	JD/PW/KB
<p>(e) HS2/HGV signage HS2 had not replied to the Clerk's communications regarding funding for HGV signage . Clerk to chase up.</p>	KB
<p>(f) HVAS site (Bellingdon) and data</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data had been downloaded from the camera for the period 15 December 2018 to 7 January 2019 which indicated a maximum speed of 85mph had been recorded in Chartridge. Councillors queried whether the camera used US time as it indicated peak traffic flow was at 3am. • DK would meet with the LAT to view a possible additional site for the MVAS, by Bloomfield Cottages. It was noted that a previous LAT had refused the site as unsuitable. • A new ground screw would be needed if the site were agreed. Clerk to get a quote. 	KB
<p>Braid Wood bridleway</p> <p>(g) Councillors advised the site of the exposed chalk was past the wood, about halfway down the hill. Clerk to report to the Rights of Way team.</p>	KB
<p>8. Matters for discussion</p>	
<p>(a) Devolved Services Agreement 2019/20 The agreement was signed by the Chair. Clerk to send to BCC.</p>	KB
<p>(b) The Bull - Community Asset The Bull Public House in Bellingdon had been listed as a Community Asset for a period of five years from February 2014. The listing would expire in February 2019 and CDC had advised that a new application was required as it was not possible to 'renew' a listing. The Parish Council noted that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current owner had consistently stated that it was their intention to return the building to use as a pub. • Various planning applications had been submitted and agreed, all of which included a condition that the intended use as a pub be maintained. • The current owner used the land around the pub for clay extraction for their brick business and there was no suggestion that they intended to sell the pub. • Listing the pub as a community asset would provide protection in the event that the owner decided to sell in the future. <p>The Parish Council AGREED to re-apply for the pub to be listed as a community asset when the current listing expired. The Clerk would circulate the draft submission for councillors' comments.</p>	KB
<p>(c) Local Area Forum JL reported there had been no LAF meeting since September 2018. The next meeting was in March 2019.</p>	
<p>(d) Parish Council meeting dates 2019/20 The Parish Council AGREED the following meeting dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 8 May 2019 (Annual Council / Annual Parish Meeting) - Chartridge Reading Rooms • Wednesday 12 June 2019 • Wednesday 10 July 2019 • Wednesday 11 September 2019 • Wednesday 16 October 2019 • Wednesday 4 December 2019 • Wednesday 22 January 2020 • Wednesday 11 March 2020 • Wednesday 13 May 2020 (Annual Council / Annual Parish Meeting) <p>The Clerk would book meeting rooms, alternating between the Chartridge and Bellingdon venues.</p>	KB

9. Planning

(a) Decisions for noting

3416 FA	5 Cogdells Close, Chartridge	Two-storey rear extension, front dormer, fenestration	Conditional permission
3596 FA	Bellingdon Farm House	Conversion of barn into residential accommodation	Refused
3698 HB	Bellingdon Farm House	Listed building consent for the above	Consent
3670 FA	Savecroft Farm, Bellingdon	Single storey side extension	Conditional permission
3859 FA	Spring Field Cottage, Asheridge	Demolish garage, erect single storey extension with new garage	Conditional permission
4434 FA	25 The Warren, Chartridge	First floor front extension	Conditional permission
4369 FA	Adj 2 and 4 The Warren	Erection of dwelling	Conditional permission

(b) New applications considered

The Parish Council considered the following applications and, where applicable, **AGREED** comments for submission to CDC:

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Ref	Address	Description	Agreed comments
4675 FA	3 Hawridge Lane, Bellingdon	Single storey front and side extensions to annexe	Neutral
4730 CONDA	Care Home adj Saxeway Estate	Approval of details of approval CH/2016/1827/FA	Neutral.
4759 PNO	Units 1 2 3, Saxeway Estate	Change of use from office (B1) to residential (C2)	Chartridge Parish Council repeats the concerns of a local resident concerning alleged lack of neighbourhood notification and incorrect site plans. Given the PNO nature of this application, the Parish Council has no other comment to make.
4735 FA	Drydell House, Pednor	Single storey side extension (to replace existing) and formation of terrace on flat roof	Neutral.
4736 HB	Drydell House, Pednor	Listed building consent for the above	Neutral.
4774 FA	378 Chartridge Lane	Detached garage	Chartridge Parish Council has no objection in principle to front garages but considers that in this location any development should be much closer to the existing built form. The current proposed location is detrimental to the street scene which is characterised by large open front gardens.

(c) Appeals

None.

(d) Any other planning matters

None.

10. Finance**(a) Budget monitoring 2018/19**

The Parish Council **NOTED** the cashbook summary for 2018/19.

(b) Budget and precept setting 2019/20

The Clerk presented a report on the proposed budget for 2019/20 which included details of actual spend in 2017/28, spend at Month 8 for 2018/19 and a forecast for year end 2018/19. Councillor Keen provided details of quotations he had received for grass and hedge cutting.

The Parish Council **AGREED**:

- (i) the proposed budget for 2019/20, subject to the inclusion of £200 a year for ditches and grips;
- (ii) that the precept for 2019/20 be increased by £1,000 to £12,000, to enable the Parish Council to do more grass and hedge cutting, and consider requests for local project grants and donations;
- (iii) to use Jack Cadman for grass and hedge cutting.

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KB**(c) New invoices for payment**

The following payments were agreed and cheques signed:

(i) Clerk's salary 1 January - 28 February 2019

- Payment of £1,560.06 to K Boulter (cheque number 842)
- Payment of £20.40 to HMRC (cheque number 843)

(ii) Clerk's expenses (for bonline.com - PC website)

- Payment of £27.60 to K Boulter (cheque number 844)

(iii) Payroll fee

- Payment of £60.00 to DCK Accounting Solutions (cheque number 845)

11. Any other business**(i) PC Kevin Flint**

The Parish Council noted with sadness the death of PC Kevin Flint, who had worked very closely with local people to improve safety in the community. The Parish Council **AGREED** a donation of £50 on behalf of the local community in memory of PC Flint and requested the Clerk liaise with the Police to identify an appropriate charity.

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(ii) St John's Church Bellingdon

The church had offered use of its premises free of charge as a meeting venue. The Parish Council **AGREED** a donation of £100 as a contribution towards the new heaters recently purchased by the church, which the Parish Council and residents would benefit from.

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(iii) Franklin Playground

Councillors Davies and White would be meeting with playground equipment providers to identify requirements and explore potential funding.

JD/EW

(iv) Councillors' newsletter

The Parish Council **AGREED** the letter drafted by Councillor White for inclusion in the noticeboards. Councillor Lherbier would write the next update.

KB/JL

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.37pm

Signed

Date