

CHARTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 11th January 2023 at 8pm at St John's, Bellingdon

Present: Councillors Juliet Davies (Chair), Joan Lherbier, Naresh Mistry, Andy Savvides, Tim Corvin, Ellie White, Alan Booth

In attendance: Mr B Damerell (Clerk) and Bucks Councillor Tricia Birchley

63. To receive apologies for absence:

- Apologies received for Cllrs Simmons, Kemp & Bucks Cllrs Fayyaz & MacBean

64. To approve minutes of the meeting held on 30 November 2022

- The minutes were approved as a true record of the meeting

65. To receive declarations of interest

- No Interests were received

66. Notification of Any Other Urgent Business to be discussed at the end of the meeting

- Footpath Gates
- The Parish Grips
- Incident on Verge outside Homestead Farm

67. To receive questions from members of the public:

- No questions were received

68. To receive an update from Bucks Councillors

- There have been some flooding problems around Sun Cottage. Transport For Bucks have been to the site and agreed that it is necessary to clear the verges to assist the flow of water.
- The Draft budget has more or less been agreed and will be ratified. There is will be a 2.99% increase in Council Tax and a 2% increase in Social Care Budget
- The Police / Crime Commission has been cracking down on knives, and have stepped up a program of stopping people who are believed to be carrying weapons.
- The three primary areas being focussed on are: Chesham, High Wycombe and Aylesbury.
- Flooding has been a major problem on the A413 due to the HS2 work. Site visits have been carried out and the measures put in place by HS2 have proved to be inadequate.
- A resident raised concern over the diversion routes through Pednor, which has been diverting Heavy Goods Vehicles through Pednor. Cllr Birchley to investigate why official diversion signs were put up in Pednor. Cllr Birchley suggested contacting Cllr Steve Broadbent (Cabinet Member for Transport) in regards to highlight this and also to raise again the reduced speed limit on the loop and the introduction of Pictorial Signs.
- Cllr Corvin asked about the Chiltern Beechwood area of Conservation – Decorum and Natural England have identified Asheridge woods and Tring woods as over used for recreation. These have had a 12.5km exclusion zone since March 2022 to any planning application. Decorum identified alternative recreational space, though it appears Bucks Council have not yet identified alternative planning area. Is there any update on this? Cllr Birchley agreed to pass the query on to Cllr McBean who sits on the planning committee.

69. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 30th November 2022 (not otherwise on the agenda):

- None

70. Matters for discussion

- a. **Village Forum / Community Board**
 - i. No update to report
- b. **Franklin Fields (Play Area committee / Transfer of ownership / Pavilion/ Usage)**
 - i. No update to report
- c. **Parish Council Logo**
 - i. No update to report
- d. **Chartridge Lane**
 - i. The Clerk to respond to consultation over the naming of the Close. The Council have suggested naming the Close after someone / something more closely connected with Chartridge.
- e. **Pednor Diversion**
 - i. Covered in item 68: receive an update from Bucks Councillors
- f. **HS2 Grant**
 - i. The Clerk has had no update but will to continue to chase
- g. **Speeding limits / Roads**
 - i. Speeding Limits covered in item 68: receive an update from Bucks Councillors
 - ii. The Clerk confirmed that the letter regarding the overhanging hedges over an area of verge in Bellingdon has been drafted. Cllr Corvin to send the contact details for the letter to be sent.
- h. **MvAS camera**
 - i. The Clerk updated that SWARCO had been in contact to say that the order has been processed and will be delivered asap. The Clerk to also enquire about SWARCO installing the device.
- i. **The Bell – Asset Community Value**
 - i. Cllr Mistry updated that documents have been compiled. Statements are being sourced from parents and the Headteacher at Chartridge School stating the additional safety benefit of the using the car park easing the traffic congestion around the school at peak times. There will also be a leaflet drop asking any interest from residents in January.
- X j. **Budget**
 - i. The Council resolved to adopt the Budget for 2023/24 and agreed for the Precept at £15,986.25

71. Planning

Case Number	Location	Description of Development	PC Decision	PC Comments
PL/22/3360/FA	Land On The North East Side Chesham Road Bellingdon Buckinghamshire	Agricultural building	Awaiting Decision	The Parish Council reiterates it's original objection over the scale and size of the application and that it would be out of keeping with the surrounding area. The Council also objects to the precedent being set of approving an application of a building which has the potential to be converted into housing at a later date
PL/22/4411/FA	Blue Ball	Siting of mobile home to provide staff accommodation ancillary to The Blue Ball Public House - Retrospective	No Objection	The Parish Council has no objection to this application

72. Finance:

Budget Monitoring

a. **Account Balances 31 December 2022**

- o **Treasurers Account: £26,162.33**
- o **Savings Account: £11,847.64**

a. New invoices for payment

Cheque Number	Name	Reason	Amount
1089	DCK Payroll	Payroll	£36.00
1090	R Damerell	Clerk Salary	TBC
1091	HMRC	PAYE	TBC
1092	R Damerell	Clerk Home Working Allowance December	55.56
1093	R Damerell	Website Domain	23.99
1094	R Damerell	Website Monthly subscription	£7.20
1095	R Damerell	Clerk Home Working Allowance Janaury	£55.56

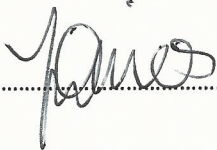
73. Any Other Urgent Business (if any)

- Gates – The sites for the new footpath gates were agreed for Chartridge, Bellingdon and Asheridge. All site locations to be sent to Cllr White to purchase the gates.
- Incident on Verge outside Homestead Farm – Cllr White updated that the Parish Council have never cut the grass on the verge outside Homestead Farm. This area is and has always been managed by Chesham Town Council and was also in this case.
- Grips – Cllr White to source a quote to hire a vehicle and driver to clear the Grips. The clerk to source a map of the grips in the parish.

74. Next meeting: 1 March 2022 at 8pm (St John's Church, Bellingdon)

Meeting closed 9:34pm

Signed



Date

1/3/23