

CHARTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 11th March 2020 at 8pm in St John's, Bellingdon

Present: Councillors, Juliet Davies (Chair), Peter Jones, Lee Kemp, Derek Keen, Paul Wright, Tim Corvin, Joan Lherbier & Alan Booth

In attendance: Mr B Damerell (Clerk), Cllr Patricia Birchley

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1. Apologies

Received from Councillor Ellie White, & District Councillor Rose

2. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 22nd January 2020

The minutes were agreed as a correct record of the meeting held on 22nd January 2020

3. Declarations of interest

None

4. Notification of Any Other Urgent Business

- Franklin Field Pavilion
- Chartridge Allotments
- Coronavirus

5. Questions from members of the public

No questions were raised by members of the public

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6. Update from County and District Councillors

- Cllr Birchley updated that following the continuous and heavy rain, urgent repairs have been done to West Dean Lane. Bucks CC teams are looking at drainage solutions for Pednor Bottom. Repairs have also been ordered for Little Hunridge Lane and Pednor Top. A patch and plain program has also commenced and will continue until May 2020.
- At present the Local Council elections are still going ahead, but this is being monitored closely.
- There is some concern for staff when the new Council comes into force with a possible disconnect between staff and senior management.
- The last District Council meeting will be on 31 March 2020
- The last County Council meeting will be on 12 March 2020

7. Matters arising

1. LAF funding for additional road signs – Clerk confirmed he had contacted Great Missenden about the road signs and had been told they had been provided by Transport for Bucks. Cllr Birchley stated that she would ask the LAT Joe Saunders to contact the clerk in order to discuss the signs. The LAT is also conducting walks of the Parishes to establish the major concerns of each area.

8. Matters for Discussion

(a) Elections 2020 – The clerk updated the Council on the process for residents to stand as Cllrs and provided nomination papers for those on the Council who wished to be re-elected. The clerk will also hold nomination papers for any other resident in the Parish who would be interested in standing as a councillor. The Parish Council also wished to acknowledge and thank Cllr Jones for his service and contribution to Chartridge Parish Council and that he would be missed.

(b) Road closure updates – Cllr Davies had compiled a list of road concerns for the LAT and Transport for Bucks, including various potholes, roadside fissures and road sweeping. Cllr Davies agreed to send the list to Cllr Birchley.

- (c) **Franklin Field playground** – Cllr Davies updated that fundraising was going well. The pub quiz was a great success and the group are currently applying for a grant from HS2. A new fundraiser is already being planned with further details coming soon. Cllr Davies and the clerk met to set up the new bank account for the play area and have set this in motion. Cllr White is also approaching the Franklins in regard to the possibility of using any money from the Franklin fund towards the new play area.

Cllr Jones proposed again looking at the possibility of transferring the ownership of Franklin Field to the Parish Council. The Parish Council unanimously agreed to Cllr Jones investigating this possibility further with Chiltern District Council

- (d) **Braid Wood Bridleway** – The Clerk updated that this had been reported to Bucks footpaths team who were currently investigating.

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- (e) **MVAS replacement fixing screws and bracket** – The Clerk confirmed that the battery had been ordered. Cllr Keen to collect the MVAS tool from Cllr White. In regard to the future movement of the MVAS, the location would need to be agreed with the police first.

- (f) **Progress of website** – The Clerk confirmed he had spoken with Ollie and that the website is almost ready. There is one profile still to upload. The Clerk proposed launching the website and then any future changes can be made by the clerk.

- (g) **Dates of future meetings**
Clerk to send out dates of future meetings.

- (h) **Pay Review for clerk**
Cllrs Corvin, Davies and Kemp to carry out Clerk pay review for clerk and will liaise with the clerk to set a date.

8. Planning

Decisions for noting

- None

New applications considered

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

Case Number	Property	Proposal	PC Decision
PL/19/4447/FA	The Gables, Old Sax Lane, Chartridge	Vehicular access and additional hardstanding	Neutral
PL/20/0221/FA	Saxeway Business Centre, Chartridge	Redevelopment of site to provide 9 dwellings	Neutral
PL/20/0271/FA	Adj Hawridge View, Ramscote Lane, Bellingdon	New dwellig incl new vehicular access	Neutral
PL/20/0416/FA	Chess Spring House, Pednor	Outbuilding	Neutral

Appeals

None.

Any other planning matters

None

9. Finance

- (a) **Budget monitoring 2019/20**
Clerk updated the Parish Council on the finances.

(b) New invoices for payment

The following payments were agreed and cheques signed:

- (i) Clerk's salary (January 2020) - £389.00 - Cheque no.900
- (ii) HMRC – Clerk salary (January 2020) - £97.20 Cheque 901
- (iii) Clerk's salary (February 2020) - £389.00 - Cheque no.902
- (iv) HMRC payment (February 2020) - £97.20 – Cheque no.903
- (v) Clerk Home working allowance (January 2020) – 27.78 Cheque no.904
- (vi) Clerk Home Working Allowance (February 2020) - £27.78 – Cheque no.905

10. Any other business

- **Allotments** – Cllr Booth raised the possibility of taking over the management of the Allotment association from the Franklin family. The Parish Council agreed in principle depending on the views of the Franklin family. Cllr Booth to contact the Franklin family to enquire about the proposal.
- **Coronavirus** – The Parish Council suggested looking at areas where it could assist with the elderly and vulnerable in the Parish. This could include helping with food deliveries, assistance with prescriptions. The PC also suggested at looking to volunteer groups to provide assistance.

Date of next meeting

Wednesday 13 May 2020 at 8pm in Chartridge Reading Rooms

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.44pm

Signed

Date