

Cholsey Parish Council

MINUTES

Meeting	Wednesday 1 st March 2017 in the Pavilion, Station Road, Cholsey
Chair	Mr M. Gray
Attendees	Mrs M. Dyer-Lynch, Mrs A. Rowlands, Mrs V. Bolt Mr P. Jenkins, Mr P. Ramsay, Mr J. Adelson, Mr R. Whitfield, Mrs L. Hamlyn, Mrs I. Neill and Mrs L. Ivereigh. 3 members of the public.
Apologies	Mr J Hope-Smith and Mrs M. Kaposy

194	<p>To hear questions or comments from members of the public Mr Sheldon reported that the path through the Ilges Lane allotment is not a footpath. Mr Sheldon raised concerns that the referendum on locking the gate at Ilges Lane was poorly organised. Mr Gray reported that it had been a consultation not a referendum and that the three responses received had been against locking the gate. Caroline Newton the Conservative Party candidate for the County Council election introduced herself.</p>				
195	<p>To receive any reports from County and/or District Councillors Mr Gray reported that the County Council budget has increased by 5 % including 3% for adult social care. The same rise is likely next year. Mr Gray was pleased to report that 34 Community Children’s Centres remain and the County Council is to employ 8 statutory social workers to support them by providing a link between families and statutory services. However he is concerned that rent will be charged to the centres after the first year. 90% of local children had got their first or second choice of secondary school. There was no report from the District Councillor.</p>				
196	<p>To receive Declarations of Pecuniary Interest for any agenda items. There were none.</p>				
197	<p>To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 1st February and 15th February 2017 The minutes of the meeting held on 1st February were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair. Proposed Mr Gray Seconded Mr Jenkins Carried 8 in favour 2 abstentions The minutes of the meeting held on 15th February were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair. Proposed Mrs Ivereigh Seconded Mr Jenkins Carried 7 in favour 3 abstentions</p>				
198	<p>To report matters arising from: a) The minutes of 1st February 2017 The response to the points raised by Mr Sheldon was discussed. There has been no other feedback from allotment holders regarding the recent changes. The response was agreed. Proposed Mrs Ivereigh Seconded Mr Gray Carried Unanimously Mr Gray and the Estate Manager are meeting with Mr Baldwin of Monson to discuss the drainage of the grassed area outside the Pavilion on Friday. The minutes of 15th February Mr Gray reported that the Environment Agency is aware of the weir but don’t believe it is causing any problem however they are carrying out a full survey of the brook and will report back once this is complete. b) The Action Point Register 16/074 - 128 – Responsible Dog Owner Event – a date needs to be set.</p>				
199	<p>Planning a) To consider Planning Applications as at 25th January 2017</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>P17/S0573/HH</td> <td>Erection of front and rear single storey extensions. 4 West End Mr Jenkins took council through the plans the house is in a large plot and none of the neighbours have commented. Mr Jenkins recommended that the Council approve the application.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Proposed</td> <td>Mr Jenkins Seconded Mr Gray Carried 5 in favour 3 against 3 abstentions</td> </tr> </table>	P17/S0573/HH	Erection of front and rear single storey extensions. 4 West End Mr Jenkins took council through the plans the house is in a large plot and none of the neighbours have commented. Mr Jenkins recommended that the Council approve the application.	Proposed	Mr Jenkins Seconded Mr Gray Carried 5 in favour 3 against 3 abstentions
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	P17/S0612/DIS P17/S0616/FUL	Discharge of Condition 3 and Variation of Condition 2 P15/S1968/FUL Mr Jenkins took council through the plans and recommended approval.				
	Proposed	Mr Jenkins	Seconded	Mr Gray	Carried	Unanimously
200	Finance					
a)	To approve accounts for payment					
	HMRC	PAYE & NI p/e 5th March		205687	£348.79	
	Virgin Media Payments	Phone and Broadband January		205688	£65.09	
	Grundon Waste Management	Churchyard Waste January		205689	£49.54	
	E. Lee	Manager Happy Hub February		205690	£720.00	
	Swift Digital Services	Photocopier Rental		205691	£66.00	
b)	Swift Digital Services	Photocopier Charge 17/11/16 - 18/02/2017		205692	£45.71	
	GLS Educational Supplies	Stationery		205693	£33.51	
	Total Pest Control(UK) Ltd	Quarterly Mole Control Cemetery		205694	£165.60	
	Champion and Co	2 x Weathercoat		205695	£49.98	
	Thames Water Utilities Ltd	Water Supply Cemetery		205696	£11.37	
	Adventure Plus	Deposit Mobile Climbing Wall		205697	£72.00	
	OALC	Subscription 2017/18		205698	£694.01	
	Culham Parish Council	Share Clerk's SLCC Membership		205699	£70.80	
	Cholsey Youth Club	Donation		205700	£2000.00	
	TOTAL				£4,392.40	
	The accounts were reviewed and approved for payment					
	Proposed	Mr Gray	Seconded	Mrs Hamlyn	Carried	Unanimously
	To note payments received					
	Noted					
	The current balances of the accounts were noted.					
	Current Account £14,565.65					
	Reserve Account £42, 920.89					
	Projects Account £40,196.71					
201	To agree policy for memorial benches					
	The Policy was reviewed and discussed. It was agreed that only those with a strong connection to Cholsey would be granted a memorial plaque.					
	Mr Gray proposed that all benches should be shared by three plaques.					
	Proposed	Mr Gray	Seconded	Mr Adelson	Carried	7 in favour 2 against 2 abstentions
	Mr Gray proposed that the cost of 1/3 of a bench £180 to include bench, plaque and maintenance. The Council to obtain a bench when the first plaque is approved.					
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202	To discuss response to Consultation on Proposed Main Modifications to Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Part 1 and MW.0094/16 Extraction of sand and gravel New Barn Farm					
	Mr Gray reported that CAGE will produce a response to the Minerals and Waste Local Plan consultation on behalf of CAGE and the other local Parishes. The report will be circulated before it is submitted. Mr Gray proposed that Cholsey Parish Council join the CAGE submission.					
	Proposed	Mr Gray	Seconded	Mr Jenkins	Carried	Unanimously
	Mr Gray reported that CAGE will also produce a response to the New Barn Farm application and proposed that Cholsey Parish Council support the submission.					
	Proposed	Mr Gray	Seconded	Mrs Rowlands	Carried	Unanimously
203	To discuss the consultation for the proposed changes top healthcare in Oxfordshire					
	Mr Whitfield reported that Oxfordshire NHS have launched the first phase of their consultation which runs until April however the second phase will be more relevant to Cholsey. Mr Whitfield will attend the public					

	consultation meeting in Wallingford on 16 th March.												
204	<p>To receive the Estate Manager's report for February Council reviewed and noted the Estate Managers report.</p> <p>a) To agree a contractor for work on cemetery path Mr Gray proposed that Contractor B should be engaged and that concrete edging be used. It was also agreed to ask the church for a contribution towards the work.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed</td> <td>Mr Gray</td> <td>Seconded</td> <td>Mr Jenkins</td> <td>Carried</td> <td>Unanimously</td> </tr> </table> <p>b) To agree level of preventative maintenance for parish trees Mr Gray proposed that 3 days preventative tree maintenance be booked with the current contractor. Unspent budget from the last and current and next financial years to be used for the purpose.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Proposed</td> <td>Mr Gray</td> <td>Seconded</td> <td>Mrs Bolt</td> <td>Carried</td> <td>Unanimously</td> </tr> </table> <p>c) To discuss hanging baskets/planter for flowers at bus shelters Mr Gray proposed that hanging baskets be installed at The Forty with a budget of up to £100.</p> <p>To discuss CCTV for Ilges Lane Mr Ramsay recommended that a 'Nature Cam' and signs be purchased for the allotments as a preventative measure.</p>	Proposed	Mr Gray	Seconded	Mr Jenkins	Carried	Unanimously	Proposed	Mr Gray	Seconded	Mrs Bolt	Carried	Unanimously
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205	<p>To receive list of recent correspondence and Publications and Notices</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LETTERS (including e-mails) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) SODC – Media Release Council Tax Frozen (ii) Resident – complaint about parking in West End (iii) Cllr John Cotton – Bid for Single Unitary Authority (iv) Resident – Dog Poo (v) Norris and Fisher – Local Council Insurance (vi) Home Start – request for funding (vii) National Plant Monitoring Scheme email (viii) SODC – review of Parish Councillor Numbers (ix) NALC – Section 137 Expenditure Limit 2017/18 2. REPORTS, PLANS & STRATEGIES 3. NOTICES, POSTERS and FLYERS 4. MAGAZINES and NEWSLETTERS <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) OALC Update (ii) Clerks and Councils Direct (interesting article about Dog Law p 10) <p>The Clerk to respond to resident's letters.</p>												
206	<p>To receive Councillors' Incident Reports and Items for future agenda Mr Ramsay reported that the survey responses have been reviewed. Meetings with developers are planned. There will be a public consultation on policies next month and the group hope to submit the pre submission consultation at the end of May. Mrs Bolt asked if it was possible to receive an update on the archaeological finds at Celsea Place. Mrs Ivereigh reported that the hedge near to Bloom Cottage has collapsed across the footpath. The Clerk will write to the landowner. Mrs Ivereigh also reported flytipping in the layby off the Reading Road. Mr Jenkins reported that the drains opposite the café are blocked – the matter is in hand. Mr Gray reported that the East End Farm application is likely to go to committee in April. Mr Gray reported that COPA and The Happy Hub are proving very popular. Reports from the Youth Worker, Older Persons Worker and Happy Hub will be available at future meetings. Mr Whitfield reported that he is working to get the footpath between Papist Way and Fair Mile extended to create a safer path for pedestrians. Mrs Hamlyn reported an overgrown footpath – Mr Gray will report it to Highways. Mrs Rowlands reported that cars are once again being advertised for sale on Papist Way.</p>												