

CHOLSEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Meeting	Wednesday 1 st April 2015 7:30pm in the Pavilion, Station Road, Cholsey.
Chair	Mr J Butler
Attendees	Mrs M Dyer-Lynch, Helen Jiggins, Mr P Jenkins, Mrs M Kaposy, Mrs V Bolt, Mr M Madeley, Mrs L Hamlyn, Mrs A Rowlands, Mr A Dalby.
Apologies	Mr M Gray

354	To hear questions or comments from members of the public (max 15mins)
	There were no questions or comments from members of the public.

355	To hear reports from County and/or District Councillors
	There was no County or District councillor present.

356	To receive Declarations of Interest for any agenda items
	There were no declarations of interest for any agenda items.

357	To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 18th March 2015				
	<p>Item 341 - Helen Jiggins advised that "Fair Mile allotment launch meeting" was incorrect and should be amended to read "Fair Mile Community Garden launch meeting"</p> <p>Item 342 – Planning application P15/S0538/HH – Mr Jenkins advised that the line "8 neighbours including Mr Jenkins have objected" is incorrect and should be removed from the minutes.</p> <p>Item 344 – Helen Jiggins advised that her comment regarding no broadband at Fair Mile should be amended to say "no high-speed broadband"</p> <p>Noting these amendments the minutes of 18th March were approved as a true record and signed by the chair.</p>				
	Proposed	Mr Jenkins	Seconded	A Rowlands	Carried With 2 abstentions

358	To report matters arising		Action
(a)	from the minutes of 18th March 2015		
	Item 345	Mr Kaposy raised a concern that the contractors working on the Solar Farm appear to be digging up the hedge around the disused allotments. The Clerk was asked to investigate and write to the Solar Panel company for clarification on what, if anything, has been removed and follow up with SODC if necessary.	AP15/066
	Item 341	Mrs Rowlands requested that an item to discuss purchase of defibrillator (s) be added to the agenda for the next meeting, she will supply information to the Clerk for inclusion in the meeting packs.	AP15/067
	Item 353	Mrs Dyer-Lynch advised that she had passed the information regarding the blocked gutters on Wallingford Road to Mr Gray.	

359	Planning				
(a)	To consider Planning Applications as at 26th March 2015				
	P15/S0719/HH	Oakwood House 16 Winterbrook – Garage with accommodation over			
		Mr Dalby advised Council that this application has previously been considered by Council and approved. The applicant had subsequently withdrawn the application before now reapplying for permission. Mr Dalby recommended that Council approve the application. No adverse comments had been received from neighbours.			
	Proposed	Mr Dalby	Seconded	Mrs Bolt	Carried unanimously
	P15/S0814/LB	7 The Forty – Loft conversion into bedroom area. Mr Dalby advised that the application involved interior changes to the property which required planning permission as the property is listed. He recommended Council approve the application.			

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	Proposed	Mr Dalby	Seconded	Helen Jiggins	Carried	unanimously
	P14/S3705/LB	Amendment 1 - Silly Bridge – Increasing the height of parapets. Mr Dalby advised that an amendment had been received to the application to raise the parapets on Silly Bridge as part of the Great Western electrification project. The amendment related to altering materials and detailing to incorporate conservation considerations. Mr Dalby recommended Council approve the application.				
	Proposed	Mr Dalby	Seconded	Mr Butler	Carried	unanimously

(b)	To note planning decisions received.					
	P14/S3963/LB	5 The Forty - Granted				
	P15/S0221/FUL	11 Ilges Lane - Granted				

360	Planning					
(c)	To note Certificate of Lawful Development					
	P15/S0471/LDP	1 Lollington cottages, Westfield Rd. – Installation of Solar Panels and air source heat pump.				

	Finance					
(a)	To approve accounts for payment The accounts were reviewed and approved for payment.					
	Proposed	Mr Butler	Seconded	Mr Madeley	Carried	unanimously

(b)	To note payments received Noted					
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361	To agree to become members of the National Allotment Society with regard to the leasing of the disused allotments off Wallingford Rd.					
	Mrs Hamlyn advised Council that in order to be able to apply to the Secretary of State to grant a lease on the disused allotments on Wallingford Road, Council need to have consulted with the National Allotment Society. Mr Butler proposed that Council take up membership of the society with a view to consulting them on the plan to grant a lease.					
	Proposed	Mr Butler	Seconded	Mrs Bolt	Carried	unanimously

362	To discuss and agree the possibility of “adopting” a BT phone kiosk(s)					
	A number of councillors advised that this idea had been discussed before and rejected. Mrs Rowlands asked that it be reconsidered as she would like Council to “adopt” the box on Papist Way with a view to using it to house a defibrillator. Council discussed the issues around “adopting” a phone box with regard to maintenance, keeping the box clean and tidy and possible insurance liability. The information provided by BT suggested they will maintain electricity supply and provide paint for the box. Mr Butler suggested that the item should be considered alongside the discussions on the defibrillator at the next meeting. The Clerk was asked to contact Brightwell cum Sotwell Parish Council for their experience of the issues raised by Council. BcS have adopted two phone boxes one of which is being used to house a defibrillator.					AP15/068

363	To discuss and agree quotations for essential tree works on the Recreation ground.					
	Council discussed the quotations provided by the Estate Manager. Mr Madeley proposed Council accept the quotation provided by contractor 2. Mrs Bolt advised that in view of the lower cost the Estate Manager should get assurances from the contractor that they will keep to the cost quoted.					
	Proposed	Mr Madeley	Seconded	Mr Butler	Carried	unanimously

364	To receive an update on the recruitment of the Older Persons Worker.					
	Mrs Rowlands advised that she and Mrs Dyer-Lynch had interviewed four candidates for the role of Older Persons Worker. They have made an offer to one of the candidate and are awaiting a response from her referees.					

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365	To discuss a response to SODC Local Plan 2031 (revised options)	
	As none of the councillors attending the meeting had had the opportunity to review the documents Mr Butler suggested Councillors respond individually as Parish Councillors to the plan. The Clerk advised that an extension for comments had been granted by planning to 8 th April.	
366	To receive the Estate Managers report for March	
	Council received and reviewed the Estate Managers report for March. Mrs Bolt noted the Estate Managers comment regarding removal of the boulders from the play area. After discussion Council advised that they would like them to remain if possible. However, it was felt that if their new position meant that they were a potential danger to children using the playground then they should be moved.	
367	To receive lists of recent Correspondence and Publications and Notices	Action
	<p>1. LETTERS (including e-mails)</p> <p>(i) OCC – Letter re funding of Cholsey Community Car Service. OCC confirmed that they would be continuing to fund the Community car Service for the next six years</p> <p>(ii) Chiltern Scouts – invitation to St Georges Day Parade and Service</p> <p>(iii) PO – Consultation on PO Transformation. Councillors were asked to email any comments they had about the changes to the PO to the Clerk.</p> <p>(iv) Barton Willmore - detailed draft sketch layout of proposed development</p> <p>(v) M+S ambulance CPR training at East Garston Village Hall</p> <p>(vi) TVP Community Policing Awards</p> <p>2. REPORTS, PLANS & STRATEGIES</p> <p>(i) River Thames Society – Annual report</p> <p>3. NOTICES, POSTERS and FLYERS</p> <p>(i) Notification of VE day commemorations from OCC</p> <p>4. MAGAZINES and NEWSLETTERS</p> <p>(i) Countryside Voice Magazine</p> <p>(ii) CPRE – Field Work Magazine</p> <p>(iii) Sustainable Wallingford Newsletter</p>	AP15/069
368	To receive news items or up-dates from the Chair	Action
369	To receive Councillors' Incident Reports and Items for future Agenda	Action
	<p>Mrs Bolt advised that additional work is being undertaken under West End Bridge. However, it does not appear to be fixing the main problems. Mrs Bolt will report it again on Fix My Street. The Clerk was asked to bring the issue to the attention of the Chair.</p> <p>Mrs Kaposy advised that the sign which formerly denoted the boundary of Cholsey in Winterbrook has been taken down. The Clerk was asked to contact Highways about having a new sign erected at the new Cholsey boundary.</p> <p>Mrs Rowlands advised that she will be taking over chairing the personnel committee and would like another councillor to join the committee which is currently made up of herself, Mr Gray and Mrs Dyer-Lynch. She asked if any councillor interested in joining could get in touch. Mrs Rowlands advised that she will be interviewing (alongside the Estate Manager) for the Estate Managers maternity cover replacement next week.</p> <p>Helen Jiggins advised that a Wellbeing “taster” day will be held at in the Great Hall on April 11th</p>	<p>AP15/070</p> <p>AP15/071</p>

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	<p>where participants can try Pilates, Tai Chi etc at free taster workshops. Helen Jiggins advised the Clerk that the temporary repair on Newlands Way has again disintegrated. As this was Mr Butlers last Council meeting Mrs Hamlyn spoke a few words on behalf of Council to express appreciation the work he has done on behalf of Cholsey over the 10 years he has been a councillor and particularly the discipline and rational thought he has brought to dealing with issues brought before Council.</p>	
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There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:15pm.