

CHOLSEY PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES

<b>Meeting</b>	Wednesday 17th September at 7:30pm in the Pavilion, Station Road, Cholsey.
<b>Chair</b>	Mr M Gray
<b>Attendees</b>	Mr A Dalby, Mrs A Rowlands, Helen Jiggins, Mrs L Hamlyn, Mrs M Kaposy, Mrs V Bolt, Mr P Ramsay
<b>Apologies</b>	Mr J Butler, Mrs Dyer-Lynch Mr P Jenkins

<b>134</b>	<b>To hear questions or comments from members of the public (max 15mins)</b>
	Mr Jiggins who had indicated he wished to speak about item 140 "the possibility of creating a formal footpath of Lime Walk at Fair Mile" was asked if he could speak later during the discussion of the relevant motion. He agreed.

<b>135</b>	<b>To receive Declarations of Interest for any agenda items</b>
	No declarations of interest were made.

<b>136</b>	<b>To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2014</b>						
	The Clerk drew members attention to a change she had made following comments from Mr Jenkins relating to the seconding of the motion proposed in Item 120						
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<b>137</b>	<b>To report matters arising</b>	
	<b>(a) from the minutes of 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2014</b>	
		<b>Action</b>
	Item 119	Wallingford Road disused allotment site - Mr Gray was unsure if site would be classed as a brownfield site after erection of PV panels. However, subsequent decisions on the land post Solar Farm (should the situation arise) would be a matter for the Parish Council at the time.
	Item 121	Ilges lane Cycle Path project progress - quotations have now been received from 2 contractors interested in carrying out the work.
	Item 128	Defibrillator fundraising progress – Mrs Rowlands and Mr Gray attended the Balloon and BBQ evening to distribute information and collect donations where some residents had shown an interest in getting involved in fundraising. Mrs Rowlands suggested that the best way to move the project forward would be to put a fundraising group together made up of residents. Members were in agreement and she undertook to contact interested individuals to set this up.
	Item 132	Mr Gray reported that the issues with children in the park seem to have subsided now that the school term has started.
	<b>(b) from the action point register</b>	
	AP13/200	Helen Jiggins reported that a new temporary cap has been put on the hole on Newlands Way. The Clerk was asked to write to the contractor about a permanent solution and to copy in Linden Homes.
	AP14/142	Mr Ramsay reported that once again one of the dog bins in the recreation ground is overflowing. The Clerk explained that this bin was being used disproportionately as the lid has been broken off and that other lidded bins close by were empty. The Estate Manager has written asking for the bin to be repaired.

<b>138</b>	<b>Planning</b>	
	<b>(a) To consider Planning Applications as at 11<sup>th</sup> September 2014:</b>	
	<b>P14/S2846/FUL</b>	<b>Land West of Reading Road – Erection of a Solar Voltaic (PV) Facility</b> Council discussed the application at length. Mr Dalby advised that there were no comments at all on the website in relation to the application. Mr Dalby recommended that Council record a decision of <b>"No Strong Views"</b> and make it

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		known that Council have discussed the application with the developers and have asked them for a community benefit.				
	<b>Proposed</b>	Mr Dalby	<b>Seconded</b>	Helen Jiggins	<b>Carried</b>	With 1 against and 1 abstention

<b>(b) To note planning decisions received.</b>						
	<b>P14/S2267/HH</b>	38 Papist Way – Part two storey and part single storey extension - <b>Granted</b>				
	<b>P14/S1867/HH</b>	27 West End – Part ground floor and new first floor extension – <b>Granted</b>				
	<b>P14/S2266/HH</b>	Lollington Farm – Replacement windows - <b>Granted</b>				
	<b>P14/S2247/HH</b>	2 Charles Rd – Single storey side extension – <b>Granted</b>				

<b>139</b>	<b>Finance</b>					
<b>(a)</b>	<b>To approve accounts for payment</b> The accounts were reviewed and approved for payment					
	<b>Proposed</b>	Mrs Bolt	<b>Seconded</b>	Mr Ramsay	<b>Carried</b>	With 1 abstention

<b>(6)</b>	<b>To note payments received</b> Noted					
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<b>140</b>	<b>To hear from Ruth Swift – Age UK Locality Manager – Re: The Community Information Network.</b>					
	<p>Mrs Swift spoke about the work of the Community Information Network and its role in acting as a facilitator between the providers of services for the elderly and the users of such services, providing information and being a point of contact and advice. Their goals are to encourage and support people to stay as independent as possible and to remain in their own homes as long as possible. In addition they aim to provide support and empower communities to help residents.</p> <p>Mr Gray asked what Cholsey Parish Council could do to become more involved and to help the elderly residents of the village. Mrs Swift suggested that the CIN could provide a representative to hold a drop in session in the Community Tea Shop at the Pavilion once a month to provide advice and information. She also suggested that people in the community become “community links” where they are provided with information packs and posters from CIN three times a year and disseminate this information throughout the community. They would ideally like to have a “link” on every street. In addition Mrs Swift said they are always looking for be-frienders for lonely elderly people. Members suggested that a request could be put in the Forty or proposed Parish Newsletter asking for link volunteers.</p>					

<b>141</b>	<b>To discuss the possibility of creating a formal footpath of Lime Walk at Fair Mile.</b>					<b>Action</b>
	<p>Mr Gray proposed suspending standing orders under section 3dx to allow Mr Jiggins to talk about the proposal, seconded Mrs Bolt, <b>carried</b> Unanimously.</p> <p>Mr Jiggins who had been doing some research into the Lime Walk gave members a brief history and updated them on the current situation which although Lime Walk to the Thames is a well establish and used path by villagers it is not a public highway. The fields by the Thames are now to be handed over to a wildlife trust, who intend to close access to the public. Mr Jiggins then appraised Council on the different ways that a public footpath could be created thus securing access for villagers for the future. He recommended that the simplest way would be for Council to enter into an agreement with the landowner to make a public footpath. This would not require the Parish to maintain the path. There would however be costs involved putting the legally required notices in the press. On being asked Mr Jiggins agreed that he would be happy to take on the form filling exercises required to take this forward. Mr Gray agreed to make the initial contact with HCA. In conclusion Mr Gray proposed that Council carry forward the idea of creating a formal public footpath under Section 30 of the 1980 Highways Act.</p>					<b>AP14/144</b>
	<b>Proposed</b>	Mr Gray	<b>Seconded</b>	Mrs Kaposy	<b>Carried</b>	With 2 abstentions

<b>142</b>	<b>To consider and agree a request for S137 donation from Oxfordshire Association for the Blind</b>					<b>Action</b>
	After discussion and confirmation that 12 people in Cholsey are supported by the service. Mr Gray proposed Council give £100 in line with last years donation.					
	<b>Proposed</b>	Mr Gray	<b>Seconded</b>	Mrs Bolt	<b>Carried</b>	Unanimously

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<b>143</b>	<b>To receive lists of recent Correspondence and Publications and Notices</b>					<b>Action</b>
	1 (i) Email from Crowmarsh Parish Council seeking the views of members on the SODC Planning department, in light of the recent concerns surrounding the Carmel College application. After discussions Mr Gray proposed that Council agree to add weight to a request for a review of the decision made due to the safety issues around access to the A4074.					<b>AP14/145</b>
	<b>Proposed</b>	Mr Gray	<b>Seconded</b>	Mrs Rowlands	<b>Carried</b>	Unanimously
	2 (ii) Mr Gray advised that Mrs Dyer-Lynch, as Transport spokesperson, is finding out additional information regarding the subsidised bus review and will report back to Council in due course.					<b>AP14/146</b>

<b>144</b>	<b>To receive news items or up-dates from the Chair</b>					<b>Action</b>
	Agatha Christie Trail - Mr Gray reported that the information boards have all been installed. Along the trail itself not all of the stiles have been replaced by kissing gates as promised. He undertook to follow this up with OCC.					<b>AP14/147</b>
	Homework Club (Club H) - Unfortunately Wallingford School have not give out leaflets to pupils as promised which has impacted attendance. Suggestions were put forward that the Youth Leader might be able to do a leaflet hand out at the bus stops used by pupils.					<b>AP14/148</b>
	New Post Office arrangements – The PO is to run a drop in session tomorrow in the Pavilion to gather feedback on the new counter arrangements in Tesco.					<b>AP14/149</b>
	Parking Issues – A resident had emailed re progress on the implementation of parking restrictions for areas of Cholsey where there is a problem. Mr Gray reported that the feedback from OCC Highways was that the consultation had produced very different responses from residents in the same street. It was agreed that the best solution would be to put the resident directly in touch with the officer at OCC responsible for taking the project forwards.					<b>AP14/150</b>
	Chickens – Escaped chickens are causing problems in neighbours' gardens. The office will write to the owners.					<b>AP14/150</b>

<b>145</b>	<b>To receive Councillors' Incident Reports and Items for future Agenda</b>					<b>Action</b>
	Mrs Kaposy reported problems with a broken water pipe in Caps Lane. Although she has reported it to Thames Water they have yet to respond. She will provide details of the problem to the Parish Office who will chase up the matter with Thames Water					<b>AP14/151</b>
	Mrs Bolt advised Council that as part of the Agatha Christie Weekend Cholsey 1000+ will be having an exhibition in the old school (Day Centre).					<b>AP14/152</b>
	Mr Ramsay reported that he had attended a recent CWRP meeting.					<b>AP14/152</b>
	Helen Jiggins reported that there is a light cover broken on Church road bridge lights and also that the hedges close to the bypass roundabout in Winterbrook are very overgrown. The Estate Manager will be asked to report both problems.					<b>AP14/153</b>
	Mrs Hamlyn reported that Chequers Place is looking very neglected. She agreed to email details to Mr Gray so that he can pick up any issues with SOHA.					<b>AP14/154</b>
	Mr Dalby reported that there were a large amount of weeds around the village and felt that perhaps the weed-spraying had not been carried out very effectively. The Estate Manager will be asked to pick this up with the contractor responsible.					<b>AP14/154</b>

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05