

Cholsey Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting duly convened and held on Wednesday 2nd November at 7.30pm in The Pavilion, Station Road, Cholsey

Attendees: Mr M. Gray (Chair), Mrs I. Neill, Mrs M. Dyer-Lynch, Mr P. Ramsay, Mr J. Hope-Smith, Mrs L. Ivereigh, Mr R. Whitfield, Mrs A. Rowlands, Mrs V. Bolt, Mrs L. Hamlyn and Mrs M. Kaposy.

Present were Mrs L. Dalby (Clerk), Mr K. Musson (Estate Manager) and three members of the public.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr J. Adelson and Mr P. Jenkins.

Mrs Neill was welcomed to the Parish Council.

118. To hear questions and comment from members of the public.

Mr Sheldon reported that CAPA had voted in favour of closing the Ilges Lane Gate to the allotments.

119. To receive any reports from County and /or District Councillors

Mr Gray reported that the County Council has passed a motion on Hate Crime.

The County Council had been proposing to charge rent to community groups running Children's Centres but have now agreed not to.

The County Council are running a Daytime Support Consultation.

The dual use path was initially delivered at the wrong width but work is now underway to widen it and work will hopefully be finished in the next two weeks.

The Reading Road path varies in width and needs siding out. There is no money available from the County Council to complete the work and Mr Gray is looking for other sources of funding.

Flooding – Ed Vaizey MP has agreed to come to a meeting on 18th November with County Council Drainage Officers and the Environment Agency.

120. To receive Declarations of Interest from for any agenda items

Mr Gray, Mrs Invereigh and Mrs Dyer-Lynch declared a personal interest in funding for The Happy Hub.

121. To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 5th October 2016

The minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

Proposed Mr Gray **Seconded** Mrs Rowlands **Carried** Unanimously with 3 abstentions

122. To report matters arising from

a) The minutes of 5th October 2016

The double yellow lines on Station Road are almost complete. The Parish Council does not have the power to enforce the parking restrictions. The District Council does have the power to enforce parking regulations but doesn't exercise this power. Mr Ramsey will raise the issue of enforcement with the Police.

b) The Action point Register

16/060 Skate Park Project – evidence of available funds is needed from the young people.

123. Planning

(a) To consider Planning Applications as at 27th October 2016:

P16/S3254/FUL Former Fairmile Hospital – 11x 1 bed starter homes and 6 x 2 bed starter homes

There have been objections from the neighbours to the application. The infrastructure on the site is not adequate and the promised retail units have not been forthcoming. A retail viability study has not been carried out. The parking is insufficient. There has been no engagement from the developer with the Community or the Neighbourhood Plan. Mrs Invereigh proposed the council refuse the application.

Proposed	Mrs Invereigh	Seconded	Mr Gray	Carried	Unanimously
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P16/S3422/HH 56 Papist Way – Ground Floor Rear Extension

The property has previously been extended considerably however there is room on the plot and the property will remain a bungalow.

Mrs Invereigh proposed No Strong views taking into account the views of the

neighbours.

Proposed	Mrs Invereigh	Seconded	Mr Gray	Carried	9 in favour 1 against 1 abstention
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(b) To note planning decisions received:

P16/S2742/HH 58 Wallingford Road - **Granted**
P16/S2745/HH 35 Honey Lane - **Granted**
P16/S3063/HH 8A Cross Road - **Granted**
P16/S2257/FUL 46 Crescent Way – **Granted**
P16/S2535/FUL Land off Reading Road - **Granted**

124. Finance

(a) To approve accounts for payment

PAYMENTS			
HMRC	PAYE & NI p/e 5th November	205632	£297.08
Virgin Media Payments	Phone & Broadband - September	205633	£59.81
Cholsey Community Library	Room Hire	205634	£72.00
Lawncare Garden Machinery Ltd	Hedgetrimmer	205635	£500.00
River Thames Society	Membership Renewal	205636	£15.00
Benson Sawmills Ltd	Fencing - Church Rd/Brook (N. side)	205637	£100.80
The Play Inspection Company	Annual Inspection	205638	£75.00
Champion & Co	Roundup and Fiskars	205639	£43.97
E. Lee	Manager Happy Hub - October	205640	£576.00
Grundon Waste Management Ltd	Churchyard Waste - September	205641	£46.46
Grundon Waste Management Ltd	Churchyard Waste - August	205642	£46.86
L. Dalby	Clerk's salary October	205643	£399.55
Rialtas Business Solutions Ltd	Accounts Package	205644	£135.60
Citizens Advice Bureau	Donation	205645	£500.00
RBL Poppy Appeal	Donation	205646	£100.00
TOTAL			£2,968.13

Proposed Mr Gray **Seconded** Mrs Bolt **Carried** Unanimously

b) To note payments received

PAYMENTS RECEIVED			
J.T. De Franca	Vendor Fee		£43.00
SODC	Neighbourhood Plan Grant		£10,000.00
Reeves Memorials	Memorial Fees (Darby/Wright/Palmer)		£355.00
Cholsey Pavilion Trust	Clerk and Estate manager Salary for Pavilion trust work Q2 - reimbursed		£552.97
A Boreland	Hedgetrimmer		£100.00
TOTAL			£11,050.97

Current Account Balance to date		£46,090.34
RESERVES ACCOUNT		
Reserves Account Balance to date		£42,918.69
PROJECTS ACCOUNT		
Projects Account Balance to date		£40,096.71

Projects Account =

£30,000 - non earmarked
£334.92 - Skate Park

£4,633.70 - Cemetery - walls, paths etc

£5,217.69 - Play equipment

(c) To set a date for budget meeting

It was agreed to hold a budget meeting on 23rd November 2016.

125. To discuss a request for funding from CPRE

The appeal for funding was discussed. It was agreed to donate £100.

Proposed Mr Ramsay **Seconded** Mr Gray **Carried** Unanimously

126. To discuss an additional £2,000 of funding for the Happy Hub

Mr Gray reported that the Happy Hub is working successfully with a good number of people attending. It has proved difficult to find revenue grants and there for £2,000 of additional funding is needed.

Mr Ramsay asked if this would be a one off request. Mr Gray explained that it is hoped that OCC will provide a transition fund and as the village expands more money will become available.

Mr Gray confirmed the £2000 would come from reserves and would be spent on salaries.

Concerns were raised about the ongoing financial commitment of the Happy Hub to the Parish Council.

It was agreed to donate £2,000 to the Happy Hub.

Proposed Mr Ramsay **Seconded** Mrs Bolt **Carried** 8 in favour and 3 abstentions

127. To discuss locking the gate between Ilges Lane and Ilges Lane allotments

A request has been received to lock the allotment gate from dusk to dawn following a spate of vandalism and issues with dog mess at the allotments.

Mr Ramsay suggested that CCTV might be the answer rather than locking the gate.

It was agreed to consult residents about the proposals.

Proposed Mr Gray **Seconded** Mrs Bolt **Carried** 10 in favour and 1 abstention

128. To discuss the problem of dog mess in light of request from residents

It was agreed to hold an event on a Saturday morning to hand out bags and leaflets to dog owners and also to highlight the problem via Facebook and the Village Voice.

129. To receive the Estate Managers report

Council reviewed the Estate Managers Report.

It was agreed the Estate Manager would clarify the quotes from Contractors A, B, C and F regarding the paths in order for a decision to be made next month.

130. To receive lists of recent Correspondence and Publications and Notices

1. LETTERS (including e-mails)

(i) Thank you from CHOKO

(ii) Request for funding Oxfordshire Association for the Blind

The Clerk was asked to add the item to the agenda for next meeting.

(iii) Request for funding South and Vale Carers

The Clerk was asked to add the item to the agenda for next meeting.

(iv) Letter from resident regarding double yellow lines

(v) Request for funding CAB

£500 was Precepted for CAB this year it was therefore agreed to make a donation.

Proposed Mr Gray **Seconded** Mr Whitfield **Carried** Unanimously

(vi) OCC Consultation Review of daytime support for people aged over 18.

(vii) Notice of intent for tree works

It was agreed to publicise the tree works in The Village Voice

131. To receive news items or up-dates from the Chair

Mr Gray reported that the pub is being taken over by four local men.

The Café has new owners and hopes to open in November.

132. To receive Councillors' Incident Reports and Items for future Agenda

Mrs Hamlyn reported damage to the road and pavement outside Tesco. Mr Gray will ask Keith Stenning to write.

Mrs Hamlyn also requested that the Minutes be produced with fewer lines.

Mrs Rowlands asked what the white arrows on the road were. Mr Gray reported that they are temporary.

Mrs Invereigh asked if there would be signs on the dual use path. Mr Gray reported there would be.

Mr Hope –Smith reported that Trick or Treat had been very respectful in Cholsey.

Mrs Bolt requested that the future of the Fairmile Playground and CDT report be included on next month's agenda. The School's OfSTED report was good with outstanding features.

Mr Whitfield reported that the car park at the railway station needs to be more pedestrian friendly. Mr Whitfield to write to GWR.

Mr Whitfield asked that the Reading Road Pavement be added to the December Agenda. Mr Gray will meet with Mr Whitfield to look at the pavement before the next meeting.

Mr Ramsay reported that the Neighbourhood Plan is making headway and the survey will be distributed in December.