

CHATTISHAM & HINTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Meeting Room of the Community Hall

On Thursday 13th April 2023 at 7.30pm

PRESENT:

Les Cole (Chair)

Ben Cox

Peter Eaton

Jamie Bostock

Ian Bryce

Debbie Archer

Diane Chase

Stephanie Coupland

Chris Leney

Jim Hammond

APOLOGIES:

John Whyman

Jim Murphy

Tamsin Pearce (Parish Clerk)

Cllr Hudson

Cllr David Busby

IN ATTENDANCE:

2 members of the public

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, and stated that due to the absence of the Clerk, Stephanie Coupland would be taking the Minutes for the meeting. Stephanie Coupland volunteered to do the Report for the Village Link.

CHPC525/23 – TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9 MARCH 2023

Minutes from the previous parish council meeting held on the 9th of March 2023 had been circulated to all parish councillors prior to the meeting. Ian Bryce proposed as a true record of the meeting and seconded by Chris Leney. The minutes were then signed by the Chairman.

CHPC526/23 – DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

The Chair asked if there were any declarations of interest for any items on the agenda Jamie Bostock, Peter Eaton, Chris Leney, and Ian Bryce signed the register in relation to the Pylons under the National Grid section of the meeting's agenda.

CHPC527/23 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES DATED 9TH FEBRUARY 2023

The Chair asked if there were any matters arising from the previous Meeting.

Diane Chase asked if the any previous Councillor had any record of the NS&I Bank Account being money held from a previous Youth Club in the village. (this would have been in the 80's), this was discussed and Stephanie Coupland would ask the previous Clerk if she knew anything about this. Diane also queried about the Tree Preservation item which we discussed at the last meeting. Seems there is an Oak Tree in Chattisham she would like to check on. The Chair to provide Diane with the BDC interactive link.

Diane had attended the Police Forum and report will be under section on Councillors Reports.

Peter Eaton asked if we had heard if Burstall Parish Council had had a reply to a letter they had sent to the Chief Executive of Babergh District Council, the Chair replied that as far as he knew no reply had been received to date, he will inform the Councillors once he has had any confirmation from Burstall PC.

CHPC528/23 – COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no reports from Councillor C. Hudson or Councillor D. Busby.

MR. R. Young (member of the Public) reported that there had been another Police speed check on Silver Hill. The Police did not give any figures. The Police did report that they had done 3 speed checks in the Village recently.

Mr Young also report that some Open Reach covers on the A1071 on Silver Hill needed attention, the Chair to report these to Highways. Highways had repaired another pot hole on the road which was causing a problem.

The Chairman thanked Mr Young for his comments and the asked Mr Beal if he had any comments, he did not have anything to raise at this meeting.

The Chairman thanked the members of the public and moved on to the next item on the agenda.

CHPC529/23 – PLANNING

All planning applications had been sent to parish councillors on the agenda prior to the meeting.

DC/23/01071 | Householder Application - Erection of extensions and alterations to the existing ancillary outbuilding to form home office/gym/games room. | Chattisham Hall Mill Lane Chattisham Ipswich Suffolk IP8 3PX

No Objection

DC/23/01072 | Listed Building Consent - Erection of extensions and alterations to the existing ancillary, recreational outbuilding to form home office/gym/games room as per schedule of works. Chattisham Hall Mill Lane Chattisham Ipswich Suffolk IP8 3PX

No Objection

DC/23/01185 | Application for prior approval for a proposed: Mast and associated apparatus; Development by or on behalf of an electric communications code operator for the purpose of the operators Electronic Communications Network in, on, over or under land controlled by that operator in accordance with the electronic communications code. The Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) Schedule 2, Part 16, Class A | Grass Verge South Of Silver Hill Hintlesham IP8 3NJ

No objection to the application, however we have 3 concerns which should be considered.

1, Move the mast and associated cabinets as far from the kerb-line as possible to reduce visual impact.

2, Provide a drop kerb and vehicle hardstanding, to prevent service vehicles negotiating the kerb on a bend in the road with the potential to cause a road traffic collision (service vehicles are proposed every 3 - 6 months)

3, The mast and associated cabinets are in a direct line of sight for the Parish Council owned and operated VAS (Vehicle Activated Speed Sign), this is mounted on a 30MPH repeater post at a location approved by Suffolk County Council Highways.

The proposed location for the new mast and cabinets will block the VAS radar signal from capturing the vehicles as they enter the village.

If the EE mast proposal is approved would it be possible for EE or their contractors to either install a new VAS post in an approved location or cover the SCC cost of (£570.00) for the installation of a new post.

DC/23/01159 | Full Application - Erection of 1No dwelling including cartlodge and alterations to access (re-submission of DC/21/02623). | Land Adj The Old Rectory The Street Chattisham Ipswich Suffolk IP8 3PY

No objection to the proposed house, scale or design, but providing the development complies with Babergh local countryside planning requirements.

GRANTED PLANNING

DC/23/00374 | Householder Application - Construction of external spiral staircase and hardstanding to rear of garage, to provide access to first floor storage including removal of the existing window at first floor and enlargement of opening to allow for new door. | The Old Rectory Rectory Lane Hintlesham IP8 3PT

DC/23/00015 | Discharge of Conditions Application for DC/21/03718- Condition 18 (Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy) | Land To The East Of Duke Street Hintlesham Suffolk

DC/23/00652 | Full Application - Change of Use of land and erection of storage building (Class B8) (retention of) | Charity Farm The Street Chattisham Ipswich Suffolk IP8 3QG
Peter Eaton requested that the Chairman meet with our Ward Councillor David Busby and the BDC planning officer to establish why retrospective application was granted given the history of the site.

CHPC530/23 – NATIONAL GRID

No further updates on last month's report.

It appears that some people in Duke Street who are near to the electric poles and wires which will be taken down when new line is put in, have received letters regarding this. The red line on the letter show the visibly splay. Some people had found this letter very confusing.

CHPC531/23 – FINANCE

The Chairman read out the items on the finance section of the agenda;

Clerk Salary & Expenses - £195.78

Community Action Suffolk – web hosting fee - £60.00

Community Action Suffolk – email address fee - £390.00

Suffolk County Council – Street Lighting April '22-March '23 - £554.90

It was agreed that a cheque to SALC (£367.22) should be signed and will be put on next month's Agenda

Proposed to sign and pass on block. Ian Bryce seconded by Chris Leney.

CHPC532/23 – CHATTISHAM PLAYING FIELD

The Chairman report that the Legal side of registering the land is on hold as the owner of the Footpath has asked the Community Council if they would like to buy the land the footpath is on. The Community Council have put on an offer to Mr Hodge (the land owner).

CHPC533/23 – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chairman had had a very long meeting with Sproughton Parish Council to discuss their views on a Neighbourhood Plan and to find out how they had started it and of course the follow up from that. The Chairman also spoke to the Chair of Elmsett Parish Council who was very helpful and offered to come to a meeting with our Parish Council to discuss their views etc. Les Cole to try and get a date in May/June as a standalone meeting.

Everyone agree this would be a good idea.

CHPC534/23 - REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

IAN BRYCE reported that the Anglia Water pipes which go across his land are leaking in several places. This has been reported to Anglia Water. It is an ongoing problem.

Ian also spoke about the conditions of the A1071 at Policeman's Corner and along the stretch of road going up to the College Farm bends. Highways are aware it is just a waiting game to when it will be done. The Chairman said he had some notification that there is a 20 day wait.

DIANE CHASE - spoke about the condition of the Chattisham Lane is getting worse.

The Chairman reported this is in hand but once again a waiting game.

Diane had attended the Police Forum the following is her report:-

The last police Forum was held in the Town Hall, Hadleigh. Lots of issues with speeding traffic especially in Lady Lane where it was reported that over 300 vehicles travel at over 30mph every day. Some are going too fast to read the number plates. The police have done a survey asking residents about their thoughts but no answers have been fed back yet. Complaints about poor communication and would like more reports back on where they have sent patrols etc. and results. Speeding also reported in Benton Street and boy racers in the car parks – especially Morrisons. The Police had set up a pop up meeting with the public in Morrisons car park to ask people about their concerns, the most worrying was anti-social behaviour and vehicle problems which seem to be increasing, The police did say they are prosecuting with one gone to court and two more on the way.

One older resident complained of having her door kicked in several times which she found frightening and confusing but it was pointed out that this was a Tic Toc prank and was the latest phase. The police said they would get her a smart bell. They used to give them away but this stopped when the company started to sell them via Amazon.

There was a query about the amount of road closures leading to long diversions and signs not being taken down as soon as the work was finished. It was pointed out that it's a separate company that deals with the signage.

1000 offences (up 16%) up to after lockdown.

Burglaries down but vehicle offences up.+

Anti-social down but small rise in robberies.

Serious violent crime up 64% over the whole area but Hadleigh has less problems than other places.

Hintlesham and Chattisham seem relatively fortunate although Les did say there was some anti-social behaviour.

LES COLE reported that the door to the Playing Field Hut had been forced open, the Clothing Bank container at the Community Hall had been broken into and Graffiti had been painted on the bus shelter on Wilderness Hill. Thanks to Les Cole and Rob Baldry who cleaned the bus shelter.

JIM HAMMOND reported that Horse manure was seen on the Footpath in Duke Street.

CHRIS LENEY reported there had been 2 road traffic accidents since the last meeting.

STEPHANIE COUPLAND reported that it seems we are now getting Dog Fouling on our Footpaths and also the Playing Field. The Chairman had had reports of this and also about notices that had been put on the Public Footpath back of Duke Street. He asked for the PC support for the following notice which would be put in the next village Link.

Everyone agreed.

ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Whilst the majority of dog walkers are responsible and clear up after their dogs there is a growing problem of dog excrement being left on the 2 playing fields, footpaths and verges, not only is this an offence it is both unsightly and poses a health risk. Please remember to carry suitable bags to clean up when required and deposit the bags in one of the 3 dog bins provided.

We all are frustrated by dog waste when it is not cleared up but can the person who keeps posting plasticised A4 notices on the public footpaths using inappropriate language and threatening to photograph irresponsible dog walkers, publish their photos and return the dog waste refrain from posting further signs.

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LES COLE also reported that the outer casing of our VAS signs has a cracked. He has a quote for this approx £528, unfortunately it is out of guarantee. Will be put on next Agenda.

The new post for the Vas sign in Duke Street, near Dukes Park is now in use.

Pink Cottage, George Street, drain cover still awaiting repair.

Chattisham Lane also on 20 day wait list.

Les had also been looking at Laptop for the Parish Clerk's use is approx £500.00 which also includes the soft wear. To go on next Agenda.

CHPC535/23 – CORRESPONDENCE RECIEVED

An email had been received regarding CIL monies, next payment will be £15,940.99

CHPC536/23 – ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Laptop for Parish Clerks use.

Cheque for SALC.

Replacement case for VAS sign

CHPC537/23 - DATE OF NEXT MEETING

11th May 2023.

Annual Parish Meeting, Chattisham 6pm.

Annual Parish Meeting, Hintlesham 7pm

Parish Council, AGM, Community Hall, 7.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05 pm.

Thanks was given the Chris Leney and Jim Murphy for all the hard work they had given to the Parish Council. Both will not be standing for the PC at election in May.