

CHATTISHAM & HINTLESHAM AGM PARISH COUNCIL

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

On Thursday 11th May 2023 at 7.30pm

PRESENT:

Les Cole (Chair)	Diane Chase
Ben Cox	Stephanie Coupland
Peter Eaton	John Whyman
Jamie Bostock	Jim Hammond
Ian Bryce	Debbie Archer

APOLOGIES:

Cllr Hudson

IN ATTENDANCE:

Cllr David Busby
Tamsin Pearce (Parish Clerk)
3 members of the public

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated that the meeting would be recorded. Debbie Archer volunteered to do the Report for the Village Link.

CHPC538/23 – ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

A vote was taken and all nine members of the Parish Council voted to re-elect Les Cole as the chairman to Chattisham and Hintlesham Parish Council.

CHPC539/23 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENSE

No apologies received, all members of the parish council are present at the meeting.

CHPC540/23 – TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH APRIL 2023

The minutes from the April meeting had been circulated to all members of the parish council prior to the meeting. Minutes were proposed as a true record by Ian Bryce and seconded by Stephanie Coupland.

CHPC541/23 – APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES

Peter Eaton was elected to fulfil the Planning Lead role and following a discussion between members of the parish council it was agreed that each member would remain in their current role.

Vice Chair - Ian Bryce

Graffiti Office - Jamie Bostock

Footpath Officer - Stephanie Coupland

Red Kiosk Chattisham - Diane Chase

Red Kiosk Hintlesham - Jamie Bostock

Police Forum - Diane Chase

Risk Management - John Whyman

Safer Communities & Road Safety Officer - VACANT

Emergency Officer - VACANT

Tree Warden - Jim Hammond

Public Transport - Ben Cox

Equality & Diversity Officer - Debbie Archer

Village Directory - Stephanie Coupland

Planning Lead - Peter Eaton
National Grid Community Forum rep - VACANT
Speed watch & VAS Sign - Les Cole

CHPC542/23 – DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Jamie Bostock, Ian Bryce and Peter Eaton all signed the register in relation to the Pylons.

CHPC543/23 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES DATED 11TH APRIL 2023

No matters arising to be recorded.

CHPC544/23 – COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

County councillor Hudson was not present at the meeting and received no apologies. The chairman then moved to counsellor Busby.

Cllr Busby said, following the elections, the cabinet was in the process of deciding and voting on the new head of Cabinet.

10 seats for the Green party

5 Seats for the Liberal Democrats

1 Seat for Labour Party

7 seats for the Conservative party

Peter Eaton asked Cllr Busby if there were any updates on his previous questions about Babergh property companies. Cllr Busby said the current valuation of £82 million as of the 31st of March had been recorded which is down by £12 million

Currently Babergh are receiving 95% to 98% of rental. However, the current capital value is not the same as the purchase price.

The chairman thanked counsellor, Busby for his report and close the meeting at 7:48pm for members of the public.

Richard Young, a member of the public ask Les if he'd heard anything about the mound and BT covers. Les said that the mounds had been reported that he would report the BT covers in due course.

Richard Young also commented on the old water station on the A1071, heading towards Hadleigh, saying a significant amount of work has been carried out on the site and questioned if a planning application had ever been received by planning. Les said that he looked on the Babergh planning portal and could find no planning application for this site. It was also raised the new entrance has been created and this should be escalated to the enforcement department as planning would be needed for a new entrance to a site.

The chairman thanked Richard for his input to the meeting and asked if any other members of the public had any comments.

Robert Smith, the new community Council , Chairman had come along to the meeting to introduce himself to members of the Parish Council.

The public section of the meeting was then closed before meeting reopened at 7:55pm

Les asked Councillor Busby about charity farm. Peter Eaton suggested as this was an ongoing issue, the Planning officer at Babergh needed to have a meeting with Les and Cllr Busby and explain how this retrospective planning application had been approved, given the history and inconsistencies.

Counsellor Busby left the meeting at 7:58pm

CHPC545/23 – PLANNING

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

DC/23/01906 | Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for a Proposed Use or Development - Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) - Use of building as office primarily for business to business IT services company. | Woodlands Farm Shop Silver Hill Hintlesham Ipswich Suffolk IP8 3NJ

Following a discussion about planning application DC/23/01906 it was agreed by all members that this application should have the following comment sent to the planning department;

The Parish Council are unable to provide comments on this application as no information has been provided as to the type of proposed business, operating hours, numbers of personnel etc.

It is a concern that a community amenity which the Parish Council had previously objected to as it was not considered a Farm Shop now could become a commercial unit without going through the formal planning process.

Granted Planning

DC/23/01666 | Application for a Non Material Amendment relating to DC/21/03718 - Adjustment to position of site access required by Suffolk County Council. | Land South East Of Duke Street Hintlesham Suffolk

Refused Planning

DC/22/05127 | Application for Outline Planning Permission (Access Points to be considered, Appearance, Layout, Landscaping and Scale to be reserved) Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) - Erection of 5No. dwellings with associated cart lodges and parking (re-submission of withdrawn application DC/21/06539). | Land North Of Clay Hill Hintlesham Suffolk

CHPC546/23 – NATIONAL GRID

No further updates on last month's report.

CHPC547/23 – FINANCE

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

Clerk Salary & Expenses - £258.92

Community Action Suffolk – email address fee - £390.00 (re issued cheque)

The finance items were proposed by Stephanie Coupland and seconded by Ian Bryce.

CHPC548/23 – CHATTISHAM PLAYING FIELD

The Chairman report that there are no new updates and this item would be on next months agenda for update.

CHPC549/23 – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chairman had had contacted Allen Newman, Chairman of Elmsett parish council and a meeting is going to be set up so they can discuss the neighbourhood plan. Les will feedback to the parish council after this meeting.

CHPC550/23 – LAPTOP FOR PARISH CLERK

Following on from last months meeting, the chairman had looked at laptop prices and it was agreed that the Parish Council would purchase a laptop and software for the parish Clerk to use. The Chairman and Parish Clerk will look at options and purchase a machine and software. This purchase was agreed by all members and proposed by Stephanie Coupland and seconded by Ian

Bryce.

CHPC551/23 - REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

Ian Bryce reported that the conditions of the A1071 at Policeman's Corner and along the stretch of road going up to the College Farm bends are still very poor and dangerous. This has been reported but as yet no repairs have taken place. Les said he would report it again to Highways.

Diane asked if Stephanie could look at the footpath Mill/doves footpath near the church third significant number of holes and grass along the footpath. Stephanie said that the footpath is owned into sections by two different landowners. Part of the path has been cleared, and the second half, the landowner has said they are happy for the Parish Council to use the strimmer along this section.

Les updated the Parish Council on the VAS sign case stating that it has cracked and so he has taken it down. A quote to send the case back and have it mended would cost £528. Les said he felt that he could attempt to fix this first. All Parish Council members agreed. This was a good idea and would save the Parish Council £528.

Pink cottages on George Street the manhole has been repaired, although the manhole cover still moves and makes a noise. Les said he has tried to get a meeting with county councillor Hudson and highways to come out and look at the drain cover so that they can see that the grate that is used is not suitable for the area of the road.

Les reminded Parish Council members that they needed to complete the election expenses paperwork and return it before the deadline date

Les agreed that he would speak to Mark Waters about conducting the Parish Council's internal audit for 2022/2023.

Les said that he had sent an email to Adrian Waller, asking for a defibrillator training date.

CHPC552/23 – CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

All correspondence received had been circulated to all members of the parish council prior to the meeting.

Debbie Archer said she had received 2 emails relating to Planning;

One email regarding the water pump station on the A1071 and the second email from a member of public regarding Parish Council objections to planning applications. Both emails were read out to all members of the Parish Council

CHPC553/23 – ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

CHPC554/23 - DATE OF NEXT MEETING

8th June 2023

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45 pm.