

## CHATTISHAM & HINTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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

On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 7.30pm

### PRESENT:

Les Cole (Chair)

Debbie Archer

Diane Chase

Jim Murphy

Stephanie Coupland

Ben Cox

Jim Hammond

John Whyman

Jamie Bostock

### APOLOGIES:

Chris Leney

Ian Bryce

Peter Eaton

Tamsin Pearce (Parish Clerk)

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Cllr David Busby

2 members of the public were present

**The Chairman announced that the meeting was being recorded and welcomed everyone. He reminded the members of the public they may only speak in the Public Section of the meeting.**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October, having been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting were proposed as a true record by Stephanie Coupland and seconded by Ben Cox. The minutes were signed by, Chair, Les Cole as a true record of proceedings.

### CHPC274/21 – DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

The Chair asked if there were any declarations of interest for any items on the agenda. Jamie Bostock declared an interest in planning application DC/21/05756 and signed the record accordingly.

### CHPC275/21 – MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES DATED 14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2021

The Chair asked council members if they had any matters arising from the minutes. No items were raised.

### CHPC276/21 – COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Busby gave the council the following update:

- Virtual 'High St' – There are now in excess of 350 business's represented on BDC virtual 'High St'. BDC have recently received an award for the depth and quality of their site.
- Copdock Road (A1214) – The consultation had now been received. Various options form part of the consultation. Cllr Busby commented 'Option 4' would, likely, provide the best overall traffic solution albeit it would be a structure of significance. It was recommended that as many people as possible are encouraged to participate in the consultation process. Some discussion took place between councillors and Cllr Busby on this point.
- CV19 – BDC had been identified as a 'tasked response area' with extra financial support needed to help mitigate the impact of the high contagion rate.
- Development Site Visits – Cllr Busby confirmed having made 4 site visits throughout

Hintlesham & Chattisham accompanying planning officers who were considering current proposals.

- Political Party 'Livery' – Cllr Busby was concerned that some reporting to the parish council was being made using identifiable political party paperwork which ought not to be the case. The Chair confirmed this was a mistake and would, in future, endeavour to ensure this would not happen and apologised to Cllr Busby.
- Pony Paddock – Cllr Hammond queried with Cllr Busby the current position relating to the breaches in planning conditions that apply to this site. Cllr Busby agreed to obtain an update from BDC Enforcement officers.
- BDC Local Plan – Cllr Chase raised a question concerning the completion of the BDC Local Plan and the current scrutiny of the plan by HM Planning Inspectorate. Cllr Busby confirmed that BDC had been asked by the planning inspectorate to undertake a review into some of the 'refused' development sites.

Cllr Hudson – No report was given by County Councillor Hudson as he wasn't present at the meeting

#### **CHPC277/21 – COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

The Chair closed the meeting and invited members of the public to speak to any items on the meeting agenda. There were 2 members of the public present.

Richard Youngs updated councillors on speed checking activity undertaken by Suffolk Police. He also raised with council the problems and associated danger of the increasing incidence of parking (on Duke St) in locations of very poor visibility and 'pavement' parking. The Chair confirmed one of the reasons for the issues on Duke St adjacent to Dukes Park was due to the Dukes Park access road being closed for 5 days when the resurfacing took place.

The Chair thanked the members of the Public for their contribution to the meeting and closed the public session.

#### **CHPC278/21 – PLANNING**

DC/21/05767 | Application for works to trees subject to Tree Preservation Order BT386/T1: Reduce 1 No Ash Tree limb hanging over drive and house to 2-3' above the crown, and remove lower branches encroaching upon telephone and electricity wires | Hope House, Duke St, Hintlesham, Suffolk. IP8 3PL

The Chair summarised the application details and confirmed the locus to members. Cllr Coupland provided some historic context to the TPO. Cllrs agreed the matter didn't create any major issues and, after a short discussion, raised no objection to the application.

DC/21/05755 | Planning Application – Erection of 1 No dwelling and construction of vehicular access (following demolition of existing barn) | Barn within the grounds of Red House Farm, Duke St, Hintlesham, Suffolk. IP8 3PW

The Chair summarised the application details and confirmed the locus to members. The Chair then asked members to comment on the application before them.

Cllr Chase opened the discussion indicating her concern that the proposed development failed to satisfy many of the expected national and local planning policies. She also indicated that, in her opinion, this was 'Back Land' development. Cllrs Coupland and Bostock added their own concerns that the proposed development breached the planning guidelines in numerous areas, primarily, that it's setting was outside the 'community development envelope' and the 'barn' was, in fact, a redundant poultry shed. Cllrs Archer, Hammond & Murphy agreed. The Chair asked for a proposal – Cllrs Coupland and Cox proposed & seconded that the Council object to the application. This was unanimously supported by all council members.

The Chattisham & Hintlesham Parish Council object to the planning application DC/21/05755 for the following reasons:

1. The application does not fulfill existing NPPF and local planning guidelines (Not in use as an Agricultural Building and doesn't fulfill the criteria for development, is outside the 'Settlement Boundary' and is 'Back Land' Development. We feel there are no extenuating circumstances, in terms of 'exceptional design' or other compelling reasons that should allow these guidelines to be set aside nor, indeed, is there a case for 'presumption in favour of Development' principle.

DC/21/05756 | Full Planning Application – Change of Use of former agricultural land to domestic garden use, construction tennis court and fencing. Erection of three bay cart lodge, fencing and reposition of vehicular access (following demolition of existing open bay store) – Hill House, Silver Hill, Hintlesham, Ipswich, Suffolk. IP8 3NJ

The Chair asked Cllr Bostock to leave the meeting room whilst this matter was discussed. The Chair referred members to the application details and contextualised this application.

Cllr Coupland opened the discussion and provided some details of the proposed changes which created some completion to the development that has been undertaken at Hill House over the previous years. These points were confirmed by Cllrs Archer and Whyman.

The Chair brought the discussion to a conclusion and asked members for a proposal. Members proposed that they had no objection to the application. This proposal was made by Cllr Archer and seconded by Cllr Murphy.

The Chattisham & Hintlesham Parish Council has no objection to the planning application DC/21/05756.

#### **CHPC279/21 – NATIONAL GRID – BRAMFORD TO TWINSTEAD UPDATE**

The Chair introduced this item and briefly updated councillors on our approach. Cllr Eaton, who is leading on this subject, although not present at the meeting, had submitted a written report to council. The Chair read from Cllr Eaton's report the content as follows:

'Cllr Eaton writes: As I have previously reported, the government announced in the recent Budget, a change in the way new build nuclear reactors are to be financed. Currently, the building is paid for by the developer, and this includes any over run and price increase. The new payment model is called 'Regulated Asset Base', and means the build cost will be paid by the taxpayer, or any private investor that might be attracted to the project. With regards to the proposed Sizewell C, the government has agreed to commit £1.7 billion; this is to replace the funding from China General Power. As a matter of reference, the design for the Sizewell C generator is called the European Pressurised Reactor (EPR). So far a working version of this design has not been completed in Europe. Of the 3 projects;

- Flamanville 3 in France is 12 years behind schedule and 4 times over budget.
- Olkiluoto 3 in Finland is 12 years behind schedule and currently 3 times over budget.
- Hinckley Point C in Somerset. Original completion date 2023 now revised to 2026. Original cost estimate £19 billion, now estimated to be £23 billion.
- 2 reactors have been built in Taishan China, but these are an adapted version of the EPR by the Chinese.
- 1 of these reactors has been shut down since July for safety reasons!

A decision on planning consent is expected in Spring 2022.'

#### **CHPC279/21 – SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL LORRY MANAGEMENT REVIEW**

The Chair introduced and explained the context of this matter to councillors. The Chair then passed copies of the review map to members to scrutinise. Cllr Busby expressed his surprise that the A1071 wasn't considered to be a 'principle' HGV route in the county. A discussion took place

amongst members surrounding the positive and negative impacts of potentially asking for the A1071 to be included. Members indicated it was extremely difficult to understand what the underlying purpose of the review was for and what, if any, improvement solutions might be gained. Councillors asked the Chair to undertake the online survey on behalf of the parish council feedback to the review.

#### **CHPC280/21 – CHATTISHAM & HINTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL CIL BEST PRACTICE GUIDE**

The Chair introduced the paper and supporting documents relating to this item. The intention of the council should be to introduce and agree as 'Best Practice' guide such that Community Infrastructure Levies' (CIL) can be properly and transparently dispersed within the community. The Chair suggested, due to the significance of this matter and potential complexity, that a sub group of the council be created to consider its way forward. This would then allow the creation of 'Parish Infrastructure Investment Plan' (PIIP).

In the meantime the paper headed and introduced as 'Chattisham & Hintlesham Parish Council CIL Best Practice Guide' can be considered by council. Members reviewed the content of this document and the Chair requested members to potentially agree it's incorporation as part of the parish governance process. A motion for acceptance of the paper was proposed by Cllr Coupland and seconded by Cllr Archer. All members voted unanimously in favour. The Chair agreed to introduce the sub group selection process at the next meeting.

#### **CHPC281/21 – FINANCE**

Clerk Salary & Expenses - £208.94

St John Ambulance – New Defibrillator, Pads & Batteries - £1,679.64

Community Council – Grass Cutting Grant 2021 - £1,000.00

The Chair introduced the finance item and explained the various expenditure items to members. A short discussion took place concerning the new defibrillator and the re-siting of the existing unit currently situated at the community hall.

The Chair took a proposal from Cllr Archer to accept the expenditure items in all which was seconded by Cllr Hammond. Members were unanimously in favour of the motion.

#### **CHPC282/21 – REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS**

The Chair asked each councillor, in turn, if they wished to make a report to the council.

Cllr Chase confirmed she would be in attendance at the next meeting of the Community Police Forum. Members should contact her if they require any points to be raised.

#### **CHPC283/21 – CORRESPONDENCE**

All correspondence received by the council had been circulated to members prior to this meeting. Nothing further was introduced for discussion.

#### **CHPC284/21 – ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

- Parish Infrastructure Investment Plan (PIIP) – Consider sub-group working party
- Defibrillator - Re-siting existing community hall unit
- Pony Paddock - Planning conditions compliance
- Mince Pies..
- Insurance sub-group working party update

#### **CHPC285/21 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

- 9th December 2021

Meeting closed at 8.45pm