

Chelmarsh Parish Council

Chelmarsh Parish Council held remotely by Zoom video-conferencing at 7.30pm on Tuesday 26th January 2021.

Present: Cllrs R Woods (Chairman), P Thomas (Vice-Chairman), R Bebb, D Garratt, A Cadwallader.

Clerk: Mrs F Morris

Parishioner: 1

PC Steve Mellor

Parishioner's time:

Parishioner was observing as he is interested in joining the PC.

PC Mellor apologised as they have a staff shortage and might have to leave the meeting.

He was questioned about the fly tipping and if there was anything the Police could do such as setting up CCTV cameras. PC Mellor will speak to SC Environment Officer for Rural Crime.

He was also questioned about how to deter or record how to prosecute speeding vehicles. Operation Snap signs can be put up and anyone with dashcam footage of problems with speeding, overtaking on double white lines can be downloaded onto the West Mercia Police website who will take appropriate action if needed. PC Mellor will look into obtaining signs. *Chairman thanked PC Mellor for attending and he left the meeting.*

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr A Davies – no access to Zoom, S. Cllr Tindall (Computer problems). **RESOLVED to accept these apologies.**

2. Declaration of interests: None declared.

3. Minutes of last meeting held on 24th November 2020.

These had been circulated with the agenda and it was **RESOLVED to accept these and sign as a true record.**

4 Matters arising from minutes:

a) Clerk's update:

- No reply received from Mr Maiden's Agent. Cllr Bebb confirmed that Mr Maiden had told him that he had not replied.
- Fence posts at playing field – no quote received, Cllr Thomas will chase.

b) Ant Lane – update. Chairman confirmed that it looked as if the work carried out, which was particularly good, had solved the problem.

d) Any others – none.

5. Planning applications/permissions/refusals:

a) Reference: 20/03250/FUL (validated: 12/08/2020)

Address: Green Fields, Chelmarsh, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV16 6BA

Proposal: Relocation of vehicular crossing and erection of 1.2m boundary wall

Decision: Grant Permission

b) Reference: 20/05230/FUL (validated: 16/12/2020)

Address: The Grange, Chelmarsh, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV16 6AZ

Proposal: Erection of a detached swimming pool building

Applicant: Mr D Carter (The Grange, Chelmarsh, Bridgnorth, WV16 6AZ)

Councillors looked at these plans and after discussions **RESOLVED to support the applications subject to Building Regs/Controls being adhere to.**

c) Any others received after issue of agenda – no further plans received.

Local Connection letter for Douglas Roberts dealt with at this point.

Cllrs confirmed the following:

- He attended local schools for over 5 years.
- Has lived in the area for at least the previous 5 years.
- Is currently employed within the local area.
- Local connection sustained for at least the previous 2 years with the local community and/or its hinterland.
- Parents and other family members live within the parish.

6. Finance:

a) To approve payments:

Clerk's salary – paid Standing Order. Clerk is owed £13.19 in difference of salary and standing order.

HMRC PAYE - £136 9Up to Dec), £67.80 (January).

RJM Contracts account - £1925.00. **RESOLVED to pay these accounts.**

b) Clerks expenses – £106.53 including £13.19 salary make up). This is the first payment since April 2020. **RESOLVED to pay.**

c) Any other accounts received after issue of agenda. Clerk asked if the PC were prepared to give a donation again to Stottesdon & Sidbury PC towards the SLCC subs. It was **RESOLVED to give £60.**

d) Income received - £40 Cricket Club rent, Clothes bank - £8.05 (Nov), £11.05 (Dec)

e) Precept/accounts: Clerk had circulated all documents to Cllrs.

Clerk had sent out a Legal Topic Note – LO1-18 Financial Assistance to the Church and understands from SALC that the PC has no power to support and could be challenged if the PC donate. Clerk confirmed that she is making further enquiries about this and will put it in the agenda next month. **RESOLVED to accept this.**

The donation to the Severn Country Park which was put in last year's precept for £100 has not been paid. It was **RESOLVED to pay this.**

The accounts were approved, and the budget/precept went through. After discussions it was **RESOLVED to precept for £13,373 to give a 0% increase on a Band D property. Clerk will check with SC the figures in their letter and send in the request.**

7, Reports: (if available);

- Shropshire Cllr Tindall – Confirmed in his email: I don't really have much to report other than we are still waiting to hear whether the May elections will be postponed if so until when.

I am trying to resolve the Single Plot Housing Dwelling for Liz Theobald and the development of chalets within "ball strike" next to Chelmarsh Cricket Club.

- **Police: Reported at the beginning of the meeting.**
- **Parish Hall Committee: Still in lockdown.**

8. **Correspondence:** emails sent to Cllrs. *Noted 'as received/read' unless comments made.*

- Monthly alterations to the Electoral Register
- Road Closure: B4555, Chelmarsh to Sutton 25th January for 11 days. *This work has commenced with kerbing being installed. This is a better section of the B4555.*
- SALC:
- SALC Information Bulletins
- Local Plan Review
- SHROPSHIRE Climate Change Action Partnership
- Housing Needs Survey – forms to be delivered soon in conjunction with Highley PC.
- Local Connection letter – Douglas Roberts – dealt with under Planning.
- SALC training Make the Change Council Elections and Engagement – 26th Feb 10.30-1pm and 9th March 5pm-7pm

Any other items received after issue of the agenda -none.

9. Parish problems:

- The repairs carried out during the 3-day separate road closures are not good in places and will soon be out again. The repairs need carrying out properly and sealing. It was felt that a better mix of tarmac was used at Ant Lane.
- Bus Stop sign broken by The Bulls Head.
- Severn Trent inspection covers by The Yeomans are a trip hazard – reported numerous times.

10. Date of next meeting – 23rd February 2021

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Signed:

Date: