

Chelmarsh Parish Council

Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 27th July 2021 at 7.30pm in Chelmarsh Parish Hall.

Present: Cllrs R Woods (Chairman), P Thomas (Vice-Chairman), T Cole, S Garrett, D Garrett, R Bebb.
PCSO J Fletcher and PCSO S Hyde

Clerk: Mrs F Morris

Parishioners: 0

- 0) **Parishioner's time:** No parishioners.
- 1) **Apologies for absence:** Cllr A Cadwallader (work), Shropshire Cllr R Tindall (personal) but sent in report. It was **RESOLVED to accept these apologies.**
- 2) **Declaration of Interests**
The Localism Act 2011, Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.
Members are reminded that they are required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, whether or not the interest is entered in the register of member's interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.
None declared.
- 3) **Minutes of last meeting – 22nd June 2021:**
These had been circulated with the agenda and it was **RESOLVED that these be accepted as a true record.**
- 4) **Matters arising from minutes:**
 - a) Clerk's update:
 - Environmental Grant – Clerk had invited Richard Millington to the meeting but as it was late being sent had not received a reply. After discussions it was suggested that the PC give Richard a diary to write all work he carries out in and then gives it to Clerk with his invoice and this should then be sufficient for SC,
 - Cricket Club – Clerk cannot get any response to emails, telephone calls to order the equipment. Cllr Cole suggested ordering from elsewhere. Clerk will contact Cricket Club.
 - The Astbury signs have been installed and look OK in the daylight.
 - South Staffs notified Clerk/residents that they would be sludge moving again.
 - b) Broadband update – Cllr Cole gave a brief update from Airband:
Our Shropshire Project manager Andy Brain anticipates a new round of surveys in around 4 weeks time to look for a solution to connect the remaining (and future) properties in your Parish.
Once we have a confirmed date, I suggest Airband send an email update to all that have registered or with an open order, and a postal letter to everyone else to explain the activity they will see on the ground.
I will keep you up to date as we move along, I'm sure we will have a more positive discussion following the survey.
Cllr Cole also understands that there is a problem securing wayleave.
 - b) Any others – none.

At this point (7.50pm) it was RESOLVED to allow the Police to speak as they were on duty.

PCSO Jacqui Fletcher and Shelley Hyde attended the meeting. Jacqui moved onto this area in June and reported no recent crime.

Speeding/overtaking vehicles once again highlighted to the Police along the Bulls Head straight. The Operation Snap signs will be delivered to the Chairman tomorrow, and he will put them up along this stretch of road.

The Police have a new 'Community Messaging' group where anyone can register with their name, email address and telephone number where alerts are received about crime in the area,

New Police Officer is focused on doing a good job in the area.

Bridgnorth Police Station will remain open, except for the front counter.

Officers have a 10day shift pattern, but Police response is available 24/7.

Recommend everyone to download the app 'what 3 words'.

Police were thanked for their attendance and left the meeting.

Meeting resumed at 8.05pm.

5) Finance:

a) Accounts for payment:

Web Orchard website hosting and support contract -£228

Audit - SH0036: Receipt of documents – notification of exempt status, 2021

Clerks' salary - £xxx via Standing Order. HMRC PAYE - £91.80 July and August

Any others after issue of agenda – just Cricket Club invoice to pay when goods ordered/received.

b) Income since last meeting – EMGrant £3000 (2 years)

c) Quarterly bank reconciliation – Cllrs looked at this and **RESOLVED to accept this, together with the bank statement which both tallied.**

6) Planning applications/permissions/refusals received:

a) Reference: 21/01226/FUL (validated: 24/03/2021)

Address: Holiday Let Accommodation at Church Cottage, Chelmarsh, Bridgnorth, Shropshire

Proposal: Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the extension of an existing detached ancillary building to form a holiday let and new pedestrian access.

Decision: Grant Permission

b) any others received after issue of agenda – none received.

7) Shropshire Councillor's report. Cllr Tindall sent the following report:

1. The Leader of Shropshire Council threatened to remove me from the Southern Planning Committee if I voted against the Local Plan. I did vote against it as I object to the inclusion of 1,050 houses to be built between Tasley and Morville which effects my electorate in Morville Parish. I was therefore removed from the Committee. Two days later Cllr Dave Tremellen (Highley) offered, as the only Independent Councillor, to stand aside for me to go back on. I waited a little while to see if I would be "receiving any tea and sympathy" from the Ludlow Tories but as none was forthcoming I accepted his offer.
2. Meanwhile after some considerable constitutional debate it has been decided that I can, after all, retain my Vice Chairmanship of the Committee as that position is voted for by the Committee and is not within the Leader's power to give or remove.
3. The outcome is the Tories have lost one Councillor and the Independents have gained one Councillor.

There is a new(ish) Highways Officer serving South Shropshire- Nick Newton- whom I am meeting tomorrow to discuss speeding at Glazeley and at Weston (Corvedale Road). If all goes well I shall invite him to review the current speed limits along the whole length of the road from Highley through to Knowlesands and I shall be liaising with my neighbouring Councillors- Les Winwood and Dave Tremellen

8) Correspondence: All noted as received unless comments made:

SALC Information Bulletins

SALC training – London Bridge protocol Zoom 10th August or 21st September

SC – Electoral Roll alterations

Letter from Steve Charmley – SC, Highways
Climate change letter – this appears to affect new builds (gas) and trees.
SALC Training - Fundamentals for Councillors – Wednesday 22nd September 2021,
6pm – 8.30pm
Code of Conduct – Monday 4th October 2021, 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Any other after issue of agenda

9) Parish problems:

- Old Kings Arms site – Questions/rumours regarding this site have been circulating regarding this site. Clerk explained that the last time she spoke to the developer he said, 'it would remain in its present state for the foreseeable future' - Clerk will try to make more enquiries.
- Old Bakehouse Lane – Ownership needs to be established as this is overgrown and unsightly. Clerk will ask SC as it was the old road.
- Planning for holiday lets – Clerk has no further information regarding this. Planning is valid for 5 years.
- Stiles on the Shropshire Way decimated by floods and despite efforts by parishioners to get these repaired this still has not happened. Clerk asked Cllr Cole to forward the details to her and she will contact SC.
- Bus Stop timetable replaced.
- Noticeboards cleaned and re-stained By Cllrs Garrett. Cllrs thanked them for doing this.
- Severn Trent covers on footpath by The Yeomans still not repaired.
- Access onto playing field for twin pushchairs/wheelchairs is not sufficient. Clerk will make enquiries with SC regarding this.

Clerk asked for extra cheques to be signed for the Cricket Club, Defib and HMRC. Cllr Cole brought up again the need to use online banking which will make things easier for the Clerk. Clerk will look into this.

10) Date of next meeting: 28th September 2021

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Payments agreed:

HMRC - £91.80 July and August
Webb orchard - £228
Clerk's salary – standing order.

Signed: Chairman:

Date: