

Chelmarsh Parish Council

Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 25th February 2020 at 7.30pm in Chelmarsh Parish Hall.

Present: Cllrs R Woods (Chairman), P Thomas (Vice Chairman), D Garrett, R Bebb.
Shropshire Cllr R Tindall
Clerk: Mrs F Morris
Parishioners: 1

0. Parishioner's time:

Parishioner raised concerns that the 5 holiday lets in School Lane had been approved and expressed disappointment that Cllr Tindall had missed the deadline in asking for this to go to committee.

Clerk read out an email received from the Planning Officer to Cllr Tindall saying that '*The application was reported to the Agenda Setting Meeting where the Chair and Vice Chair of the Planning Committee were made aware of the issues raised. As you will recall from earlier conversations, your request for the application to be considered at the Planning Committee was received after the cut off date for an automatic referral and therefore the process requires the decision on whether to send the application to the Planning Committee for determination is taken at the Agenda Setting Meeting. The minutes confirm that the small scale and context of the site were noted and that there was no evidence on which the Council could sustain a lack of need argument for 5 holiday units on planning grounds. The Chair and Vice Chair of the Planning Committee were content for the landscape impact and other material planning considerations applicable here to be appraised.*

Clerk pointed out that she had emailed the Planning Officer as to why this didn't go to committee due to all the comments made but the officer is away until next week.

Clerk read out emails from Mr Russell at The School House and showed Cllrs the photograph of the waterlogged field.

A lengthy debate took place and Cllr Tindall suggested that Mr Russell contact him regarding contacting the Ombudsman (cheaper option than Judicial Review) but didn't think it would change the situation.

Cllrs felt that as the application had been approved all they could do was monitor the site once work commences to ensure that all planning conditions are adhered to.

Clerk will email Mr Russell.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllrs A Davies (away), A Cadwallader (work), M Williams (not well), PCSO Eden (work), **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 held on 28th January 2020:

These had been circulated with the agenda and it was **RESOLVED that these been signed as a true record and Chairman signed the accordingly.**

4 Matters arising from minutes:

a) Clerk's update – Clerk reported that updates had been covered in parishioners time or would be as an agenda item.

Defibrillators – Clerk had forwarded costs and it was agreed that the PC would purchase one this year from MedUk Group, but it was **RESOLVED to ask if this could be located at the Bulls Head, Cllr Garrett agreed to ask the owner. The Pc would then look at providing further machines in other parts of the parish in following years. Clerk will ask if Chris Phillips is available to attend the Annual Parish meeting to demonstrate using these.**

b) Fibre optic broadband - Chelmarsh and Connecting Shropshire broadband programme update – February 2020.

It was agreed to bring Cllr Tindall's report time on the agenda forward. And commented on the following:

- Clerk had sent information out to Cllrs and Cllr Tindall pointed out that Airband would come to give a presentation at the next PC meeting. Cllr Thomas pointed out that Airband had already been to a meeting and despite his constant telephone calls to them he is no further forward, Cllr Tindall highlighted the situation at Neenton and that he accepted Airband do not work very quickly.
- Fibre broadband is supposed to be available end of March, but some telephone poles have been taken down.
- Highways: Cllr Tindall confirmed that reporting of highway issues should be through the central customer number in order that all complaints go to the correct person/dept so that it is all logged and progress monitored.
- New Consultant appears to be working well and it is hoped that Managers will have their own budgets to get jobs done.
- Full Council Thursday 27/2/2020 when the budget will be set.
- Chief Executive, Clive Wright has left with immediate effect today.
- Kier contract is being looked into.
- Work on Kings Arms bend might be delayed a week.

Chairman thanked Cllr Tindall for attending and he left the meeting.

c) Smartwater:

Chairman commented on the information received from the Police Commissioner and the costs involved and as this is something that the PC had done before queried the uptake. After discussions it was **RESOLVED to leave this for now and to ask at the Annual Parish meeting if there was any interest and to put an item regarding this on the website.**

5. Planning applications/permissions/refusals

a) Reference: 19/04024/FUL (validated: 23/09/2019)

Address: Astbury Hall, Astbury, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV16 6AT

Proposal: Alterations to the main house to convert to a clubhouse for the tennis and golf clubs

Decision: Grant Permission

b) Reference: 19/04539/FUL (validated: 17/10/2019)
Address: Unicorn Cottage, Hampton Loade, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV16 6BN
Proposal: Remodelling with single and two storey extensions, internal alterations, and replacement two storey garage/ gym structure
Decision: Grant Permission

c) Reference: 19/03518/FUL (validated: 14/08/2019)
Address: Proposed Holiday Lodges To The South Of, School Lane, Chelmarsh, Bridgnorth, Shropshire
Proposal: Change of use of land and siting of five holiday lodges
Decision: Grant Permission

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d) Reference: 19/05034/FUL (validated: 15/11/2019)
Address: Upper Hampton Farm, Hampton Loade, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV16
Proposal: Refurbishment of existing log store and construction of single storey lobby, insertion of 5No dormer windows and internal remodelling of loft access
Decision: Grant Permission

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

6. **Reports (if available) from:**

a) Parish Hall Committee: Next meeting is the AFGM in March and PC reps were required. Cllrs Woods and Garrett agreed to continue as reps.

b) Police – no report

c) Unitary Cllr Tindall – dealt with earlier

7. **Financial matters:**

a) Accounts to be paid: Clerk's fees – February (paid standing order) - £xx

HMRC PAYE – February - £60.20

Chelmarsh Parish Hall account (room hire) - £100

Quote for carpark fence - £200 – **RESOLVED to accept this and Cllr Thomas to confirm and chase work on play equipment.**

Grants to Church - £550 and Jubilee Club - £50

RESOLVED to pay these accounts.

Any others received after issue of agenda – non received.

b) Bank statement – not available.

8. **Parish problems:**

- Potholes – some temporary filled but will soon be out again!
- Covert Lane terrible state.
- Drains blocked by bulls Head and Mere Oak with garages flooded.
- Inspection cover by The Yeomans and drain at The Glebe still not dealt with.

9. **Correspondence: (emails forwarded to Cllrs)- *all noted unless comments made.***

- Reply from Highley PC re: B4555 supporting PC correspondence to SC.
- Western Power updates
- Operational Improvements Towards Zero Carbon
- Shropshire Council Building Control - Contacts directory

- Emails from Mr Russell, School House and Cllr Tindall re: planning permission for holiday lets at School Lane – dealt with earlier.

SALC Information:

- Monday News in Brief - IMPORTANT FLOODING NUMBERS
- FLOODING SUPPORT URGENT!
- Youth Support - Important

Any other correspondence received after issue of agenda:

VE/VJ Day lamp post poppies available at a cost of £3 each. **RESOLVED to order 6.**

10. Date next meeting:

March 24th, 2020

Cllr Thomas agreed to put together a programme of works for the Environment contract.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.52pm.

Cheques written:

HMRS PAYE - £60.20

Chelmarsh Parish Hall - £100

Chelmarsh PCC - £550

Jubilee Club £50

Clerk's salary paid standing order.

Signed: Chairman

Dated: