

CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

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THE **NEXT MEETING** OF CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st, 2021** at 7.30pm AT CHALGRAVE MEMORIAL HALL.

Lesley Smith, Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY 20th, 2021 MEETING
3. SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
4. POLICE MATTERS
5. REPORT from WARD COUNCILLOR MARK VERSALLION
6. REPORT from ALL SAINTS CHURCH, CHALGRAVE
7. MATTERS ARISING FROM JULY 20th, 2021 MINUTES
8. POINTS RAISED from JUNE/JULY 2021 CORRESPONDENCE
9. JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2021 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED
10. EMERGENCY PLAN-Report and Update (if any)
11. ACCOUNTS-a) Cheques for Signature
12. HIGHWAYS ISSUES
13. COMMITTEE REPORTS
14. OPEN FORUM
15. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA
16. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

MINUTES of the meeting of Chalgrave Parish Council held on Tuesday, July 20th, 2021 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Jan Day; Cllr Ken Green; Cllr Frances Masters; Cllr Phil Parry (Chair); Lesley Smith-Clerk.

Public present: 0

Committees

Planning	Cllr Levy-Chair	07931408697			
Rights of Way	Cllr Green-Chair	874107	Cllr Levy	07931408697	Cllr Warburton 07941624419
Website	Cllr Warburton	07941624419			
Speed Watch	Cllr Parry	0731 605600	Cllr Levy	07931408697	

Responsibilities

Cllr Parry	Highways liaison	07831 605600
Cllr Ludgate	Police liaison	07885 375363
Cllr Masters	Fly tipping	07530 803903

Groups

Pond	Barbara Jackson	07960445492	Cllr Day	875921
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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Debbie Levy; Cllr K Ludgate; Cllr Peter Warburton; Ward Cllr Mark Versallion.

2. MINUTES OF June 22nd, 2021 MEETING

The minutes of the June 22nd, 2021 meeting were approved and signed as correct by the chairman.

3. SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Day and Masters are on the editorial team of The Chalgrave News

4. POLICE MATTERS

- a) **Crime figures.** No crimes were reported in June 2021
- b) **Bedfordshire Police and Partnership Trust.** Request for a donation towards the Bobby Scheme, which was set up to help the vulnerable and elderly. PC to consider in November 2021. Information in correspondence.

5. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR VERSALLION

No report this month.

6. CHALGRAVE CHURCH REPORT

No report this month

Contacts. Revs Linda and Nigel are keen to offer care and support or just for a chat or a prayer. Contact 01525 714442; revdchalgrave@gmail.com; nwashy2@gmail.com

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM JUNE 22nd, 2021 MINUTES

- a) **Hockliffe Road Speed Sign.** HW has responded to the PC's request for speed strips across the road which will monitor the speed and frequency of traffic. HW states that it will not carry out a recount as the current data it holds is less than three years old. Cllr Green suggested a sign which says 'Speed Watch Area'. Clerk to investigate. **Clerk**
- b) **Lords Hill Roundabout.** Ongoing.
- c) **Festival of Britain Tebworth Sign.** Cllr Green and Mr Roger Fenwick have begun to replace the damaged concrete post. Progressing. **KG; RF**
- d) **Tebworth Pond**
- i. Mr Paul Whitton has repaired the gate to the pond and strimmed that area. He said that the moorhens were still about.
- ii. CBC has been asked to clear the gully by the pond as it tends to flood during wet weather. Ongoing.
- e) **Parkview Lane Flooding.** The PC has followed up with HW on any progress to resolve the issue. HW has responded saying no decision has been made as to what can or will happen with the drainage as yet. The Senior Drainage Engineer will keep following. The PC agreed to keep pushing HW. Ongoing.

f) Email Policy for Chalgrave PC.

- i. The PC discussed the issue of forwarding emails to a third party. As a result the following will be added to the policy: "If an email is going to be forwarded to a third party it is best practice to inform the sender of the email." Clerk
- ii. The clerk is looking into getting a gov.uk email address for the council. Clerk

g) CBC Tree Planting Scheme.

- i. PC land is very limited. At the June meeting the triangle on The Lane was suggested. Cllr Parry has spoken to the nearby residents to get their opinions on the proposal but some are not happy with the idea.
 - ii. Cllr Green has put a newspaper article on trees improving grazing land into correspondence.
- h) Willow Tree, Parkview Lane.** Work is scheduled for August 12th, 2021 to cut back the tree and remove a dead branch. The contractors are Branching Out. Progressing.
- i) Community Meeting.** The PC agreed to defer a community meeting until the Covid-19 situation is more settled.

8. POINTS RAISED on MAY/JUNE 2021 CORRESPONDENCE

None this month.

9. JUNE/JULY 2021 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) **NALC: Remote Meetings Call for Evidence.** NALC continues to press the government for remote meetings of councils to continue. In correspondence. Cllr Masters informed the PC that the Memorial Hall now has wi-fi and CCTV.
- b) **London Green Belt Council.** Londoner walking project to raise awareness of the London Green Belt's importance. In correspondence.
- c) **Virgin Media.** Request to feature Virgin Media on the chalgrave.org website.
- d) **Clerks and Councils Direct.** July 2021 magazine in correspondence.

10. CHALGRAVE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN

Barbara Jackson is checking on people because of the current heatwave. She will register the details of the defibrillator location map website. BJ

11. ACCOUNTS

- a) **Cheques for Signature.** The following cheques have been approved and signed:

<u>Chq No:</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
1106	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE: 1 st quarter	137.40
1107	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE: July 2021	45.80
1108	Void	Void	0.00
1109	Chalgrave Memorial Hall	2021 grant	550.00
1110	All Saints Church, Chalgrave	2021 grant	400.00
1171	Chalgrave Snr Citizens	2021 grant	375.00
1172	Chalgrave News	2021 donation	550.00
1173	M W Agri Ltd	Grass cutting at Tebworth Pond-June 2021	19.20
1174	Lesley Smith	Clerk's salary + expenses July 2021	234.02
		Total	2311.42

- b) **Online Banking.** Set up online banking. Clerk

c) Bank Statements; 05/07/2021

- i. Current Account: £11,354.05
- ii. Reserve account: £6194.79

12. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- a) **Driveway between Nos 78 & 80 Wingfield Road.** No action as yet for resurfacing. Continue to press for a site meeting with HW. Clerk
- b) **Pothole and Poor Road Surface outside The Grand Chapel, Tebworth.** This area was patched on 16 July, 2021.

c) Bend Sign outside the Queen's Head is bent. Contact HW.

Clerk

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Planning

i. Applications

Application No.	Address	Proposed work	PC comments	CBC decision
21/02328	<u>Queens Head, Toddington Road, Tebworth</u>	Retrospective retention of weather shelter and storage unit	No objection to storage unit. No objection to weather shelter providing it is compliant with COVID restrictions and adheres to regulations regarding outdoor smoking areas.	Awaiting decision
20/03856	<u>Chalgrave Manor Farm, Chalgrave</u>	Installation of Solar panels & inverter stations.	Comments submitted to Planning	Awaiting decision*
21/02386/VOC	<u>College Farm, Chalgrave Road, Chalgrave</u>	Replacement of existing barn structures with 2 attached barn-style residential buildings. Amend visibility required to the west from 215m to 129m	Concerned about the number of barn conversions taking place in the parish	Awaiting decision
21/00743/LB	<u>1 Chalgrave Road, Tebworth</u>	Conversion of Grade 2 stable block for ancillary use	No objections	Awaiting decision
21/01569/SCN	<u>Land adjacent to Tebworth**</u>	Proposed solar farm & battery storage facilities	Object. Proposed site on Green Belt land; several proposed solar farms within a concentrated area	Pre application advice released
21/01379	<u>Trinity Hall Farm, A5</u>	Silage storage	Request that trees are planted around the perimeter of the area to soften outlook	Awaiting decision
21/02301	<u>9 The Meadows, Tebworth Road Wingfield</u>	Dropped kerb	No objections	Consultation period

*Chalgrave Manor Farm was granted permission on July 21st, 2021

**Solar Farm-Land Adjacent to Tebworth. Enso, Energy held a public consultation at Chalgrave Memorial Hall this afternoon. The PC had a lengthy discussion and the following points were among those made:

- There is no joined up policy regarding solar farms either from CBC or central government
- Concern about the number of construction lorries travelling through the village
- Can security be maintained?
- Footpath 9 will be maintained and a permissive footpath will be created from Toddington to Tebworth
- The next edition of the Chalgrave News will feature an article which gives the for and against for solar farms

b) Website

Nothing to report this month

c) Rights of Way (ROW)

Stile. One stile on FP 7, which runs from Ivy Farm to the brook, still needs repairing.

FP 21 and 22 Icknield Way still have not been cut.

Tebworth Solar Farm. The current footpath will be maintained and two new ones will be created.

Heritage Trail is available on the Trail Tail app. However Cllr Green said the route shown does not make sense.

d) Speed Watch.

Cllr Parry is acting as coordinator and is currently being vetted by the police. He hopes to start Speed Watch in September.

14. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

Nothing at present.

15. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, September 21st, 2021 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 20.56pm

Signed by Chairman..... Date.....