

# CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

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THE **NEXT MEETING** OF CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022** at 7.30pm at CHALGRAVE MEMORIAL HALL.

Lesley Smith, Clerk to the Council

## AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2. OPEN FORUM
3. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 MEETING
4. SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
5. POLICE MATTERS
6. REPORT from WARD COUNCILLOR MARK VERSALLION
7. REPORT from ALL SAINTS CHURCH, CHALGRAVE
8. MATTERS ARISING FROM OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 MINUTES
9. POINTS RAISED from SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2022 CORRESPONDENCE
10. EMERGENCY PLAN-Report and update
11. OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2022 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED
12. ACCOUNTS-a) To approve online payments b) Cheques for signature
13. HIGHWAYS ISSUES
14. COMMITTEE REPORTS
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, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllr Jan Day; Cllr Harvey Greenwood; Cllr Frances Masters; Cllr Phil Parry (Chair); Ward Cllr Mark Versallion; Lesley Smith-Clerk.

**Public present:** 1

#### **Committees**

<b>Planning</b>	Cllr Warburton	07941 624419	
<b>Rights of Way</b>	Cllr Green-Chair	874107	Cllr Warburton 07941624419
<b>Website</b>	Cllr Warburton	07941 624419	
<b>Speed Watch</b>	Cllr Parry	07831 605600	

#### **Responsibilities**

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

#### **Groups**

<b>Pond</b>	Barbara Jackson	07960 445492	Cllr Day	875921
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#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Ken Green; Cllr Peter Warburton; Revd. Linda Washington.

#### **2. MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 MEETING**

The minutes of the September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting were approved by the council and signed as correct by the chair.

#### **3. SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- i. Cllrs Day and Masters are on the editorial team of The Chalgrave News.
- ii. Cllrs Day and Masters are members of the Memorial Hall Committee.

#### **4. POLICE MATTERS**

- a) **Reported Crime.** No crimes were reported in September 2022.
- b) **BedsAlert: Fall in Serious Youth Crime** after police and partner effort over the summer. Information in correspondence.

#### **5. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR MARK VERSALLION**

- a) **Chalgrave Manor and Tebworth Solar Farms.** Parish Councils can contact the developers directly for funding for specific projects. Cllr Versallion recommended obtaining a written agreement before planning consent is given in the case of Chalgrave Manor Solar Farm.
- b) **McDonald's Hockliffe.** Cllr Versallion has written to the branch about the amount of litter generated around the area. He has also contacted the Head Office. Cllr Parry said he met with the manager who informed him that they have random litter picks 100 yards either side of the branch. Cllr Parry and Cllr Warburton will arrange for a combined litter pick. **PP; PW**
- c) **Queen's Head Pub.** There is no update yet on the planning application for the weather shelter at the front of the building. Cllr Versallion is monitoring.
- d) **Grass Verges and Rewilding.** Cllr Versallion will investigate CBC's policy for rewilding grass verges.
- e) **Solar Panels on New Buildings.** Cllr Versallion has contacted the government about this. He said that, at the moment, councils cannot compel developers to install panels.

#### **6. CHALGRAVE CHURCH REPORT**

No report this month.

**Contact.** Revd Linda is keen to offer care and support or just for a chat or a prayer. Contact 01525 714442; [revdchalgrave@gmail.com](mailto:revdchalgrave@gmail.com)

## 7. MATTERS ARISING FROM SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 MINUTES

- a) **Lords Hill Roundabout.** The roundabout has been remarked and is much improved now.
- b) **CCTV.** CBC's Environmental Protection Officer suggested building up the laybys. He has contacted HW, which has given permission for the PC to take this action. The PC chose to build up the layby at the top of Chalgrave Road. Contact local contractor to carry out the work. Progressing. **PP**
- c) **Parkview Lane.** In November Anglian Water is completing work in the vicinity of Parkview Lane.
- d) **Litter Pick.**
- Cllr Warburton has arranged another litter pick for October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. **PW**
  - Cllr Parry has contacted the Hockliffe branch of McDonalds and they have agreed a joint litter pick. Ongoing.
- e) **Tebworth Pond.** The PC has received one quote of £250 for removing the pollarded willow trees between the pond and the road. Awaiting a second quote. Ongoing.
- f) **Defibrillator Cabinet.** Awaiting quote for refurbishing the cabinet. Ongoing.
- g) **Platinum Jubilee Stamps.** There are 6 sets still for at £3.80 per set. Contact clerk if interested.
- h) **Leadership in Challenging Situations Training.** Cllr Masters reported that the training session she attended on September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and found it useful.

## 8. POINTS RAISED on JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2022 CORRESPONDENCE

Cllr Green commented that a CPRE report highlighting that councils in Outer London and the Home Counties are planning to build on 75 square miles of Green Belt countryside and open spaces was most concerning. He suggested writing to Andrew Selous MP again.

## 9. CHALGRAVE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN

Ongoing.

## 10. SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2022 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) **Public Policy Exchange: Working With & Celebrating Traveller & Gypsy Communities.** Webinar on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- b) **BATPC**
- Newsletter in correspondence.
  - Annual report and accounts 2021.
- c) **Hedgehogs R Us: Highways Project.** Information about creating hedgehog highways in correspondence.
- d) **Power for People: Update on the Energy Bill.** The new government is to introduce emergency energy legislation. Power for People is organising new amendments to the legislation and is asking the PC to write to Andrew Selous MP requesting that the government supports the growth of community energy schemes in the legislation. In correspondence.
- e) **NALC:** Chief Executive's Bulletin October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. In correspondence.
- f) **CBC:**
- "What is Phishing and How Can You Avoid It". Information in correspondence.
  - Let's Bin Better. Information on increasing recycling in correspondence
  - Helping People with Rising Cost of Living. Article from the October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 CBC news. In correspondence.
- g) **CPRE: Campaigns Update October 2022** in correspondence.

## 11. ACCOUNTS

- a) **Online Banking.** The PC approved the following online payments:

	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
1	M W Agri Ltd	Grass cutting of pond area-September 2022	24.00
2	Lesley Smith	Clerk's salary & expenses-September 2022	275.87
3	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE September 2022	57.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>356.87</b>

- b) **Bank Statements; 05/10/2022**

- Current Account: £5,268.89
- Reserve account: £6,203.89

## 12. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- a) **Hockliffe Road Footway.** The grass etc. growing over the footway has been cut back.
- b) **Poplar Trees Opposite the Queen's Head.** The PC previously asked CBC's Arboreal Officer if the trees were safe and if they could be inspected. He has responded saying that CBC are unable to do this as the trees are on private land. PC to contact landowner. **PP**
- c) **Potholes.** Cllr Warburton has listed the locations and taken photographs of potholes around the parish to be reported to HW. **Clerk**
- d) **Road Closures.**
- i. **M1 Closure.** The M1 will be closed in order to carry out essential maintenance on the Ridgmont railway bridge-see below:

Closure	Date/Time	Diversion
M1 junction 14 to 11a, southbound	Monday 14 November to Thursday 17 November (10pm to 5am)	Diversion will be via the A4146, to follow A505 and A5 to re-join the M1 at junction 11a.

- ii. **Leighton Road, Stanbridge.** New water installation outside number 83 between 7-9 November, 2022 24 hours a day.
- iii. **Chalgrave Road, Tebworth.** Duct laying near to 1 Trinity Cottages, 7-9 November 2022 between 08.00 and 16.00.

## 13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### a) Planning

#### i. Applications

Application No.	Address	Proposed work	PC comments	CBC decision
21/01379	Trinity Hall Farm, A5	Silage storage	Request that trees are planted around the perimeter of the area to soften outlook	Not yet decided
21/05629 Variation of conditions	Pond Farm, Hill Close, Wingfield	Change cladding on 1 <sup>st</sup> floor to red brick; reduce height of rear elevation & add skylight	No objections	Not yet decided
22/02648/VOC	New Farm Yard, Tebworth Road, Wingfield	VOC conditions 3 and 15. Condition 3 to allow for correct window placement on elevations. Condition 15 to allow for amendments to plans and elevations.	The larger, taller opening that has been built, and for which permission is now sought, is out of keeping with a residential area.	Not yet decided
22/00976/PAAD	Well Cottage, Featherbed Lane, Chalgrave	Prior Approval sought from CBC for change of use of 2 agricultural buildings to 4 dwellings.	N/A	Refused
22/03164	Queen's Head Pub, Tebworth	Retrospective retention of weather shelter	The PC has no objection to the retention of the weather shelter in its current form, but would have an issue should this structure become more substantial & permanent. Although the structure encroaches onto the public highway, our opinion is that the boundary of the property has been redefined, without challenge, over many years	Not yet decided
22/03425	48 Wingfield Road, Tebworth	Single storey rear extension	No objections	Not yet decided

- ii. Ivy Farm Barns: Plot 2. Conditions for granting of permission state that the cladding should be larch/oak boarding. Currently this is not the case. The PC has contacted CBC to report this.

**b) Rights of Way (ROW)**

- i. Cllr Green reported that Footpath (FP) 17 from Tebworth\_ to the A5 is impassable because of maize growing in the field. A wire fence has also been installed with no access through. The ROW Officer who has written to Trinity Hall Farm and Cllr Parry has spoken to the Estate Manager but the path is still blocked. PC to write to Trinity Hall Farm. Ongoing. **PP; Clerk**
- ii. FP 10 between Rosebud Cottage and Newhaven, Tebworth Road, Wingfield should now be cleared.
- iii. Kissing Gates have been installed along the length of FP 12.

**c) Website**

No report this month.

**d) Speed Watch.**

Speed Watches will take place in early November 2022.

**14. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA**

None at present.

**15. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Meeting closed at 20.20pm

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