

# CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

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THE **NEXT MEETING** OF CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON **TUESDAY, JANUARY 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023** 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 DECEMBER 20<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 DECEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 MINUTES
9. POINTS RAISED from NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2022 CORRESPONDENCE
10. EMERGENCY PLAN-Report and update
11. DECEMBER 2022/JANUARY 2023 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED
12. ACCOUNTS-a) To approve online payments
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, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7.30pm.

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

**Public present:** 0

#### **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 Greenwood 07932 326274
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 Harvey Greenwood; Cllr Kevin Ludgate.

#### **2. MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 MEETING**

The minutes of the November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting were amended, approved by the council and signed as correct by the chair.

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

- i. Cllr Day is on the editorial team of The Chalgrave News.
- ii. Cllr Day is a member of the Memorial Hall Committee.

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

a) **Reported Crime.** Three crimes were reported in November 2022.

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Crime</u></b>	<b><u>Other details</u></b>
07/11/22	Wingfield	Malicious communications	None
20/11/22	Wingfield	Sexual	None
24/11/22	Wingfield	Stalking	None

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

No report this month.

#### **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 NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 MINUTES**

a) **Chalgrave Manor and Tebworth Solar Farms.**

- i. No response yet from Aton, the developers of Chalgrave Manor Farm, to the PC's request for a meeting to discuss contributions towards community projects. Follow up. **Clerk**
- ii. Enso, the developers for Tebworth Solar Farm, has agreed to meet with the PC to discuss possible funding towards a community project. Clerk to follow up. Progressing. **Clerk**

b) **McDonald's Hockliffe.** Cllr Parry recently met with the manager who is happy to participate in a combined litter pick. Cllrs Parry and Warburton will arrange with McDonald's in the new year. Cllr Masters suggested contacting Hockliffe residents who carry out litter picks. Ongoing **PP; PW**

- c) **Queen's Head Pub.** CBC has not decided yet on the planning application for the weather shelter at the front of the building. Cllr Parry will ask the landlord if the front door to the bar is a fire door. **PP**
- d) **Grass Verges and Rewilding.** The PC has received a response from DEFRA via Andrew Selous MP regarding rewilding. The PC agreed that the response did not address the PC's comments and to contact Mr Selous again asking him to liaise with CBC on the PC's behalf. **Clerk**
- e) **CCTV.** The PC has chosen to build up the layby at the top of Chalgrave Road to deter fly tippers. A local contractor has agreed to carry out the work. Progressing.
- f) **Parkview Lane.** Flooding is still occurring on Parkview Lane. Contact HW to find out if they are any further forward to resolving the problem. **Clerk**
- g) **Tebworth Pond.** The willow trees between the pond and the road will be removed on December 19, 2022. Cllr Day is researching possible replacement varieties of willows. Progressing. **JD**
- h) **Government Review on Housing Formulas.** Both London Green Belt Council and CPRE have welcomed the recent government review on housing formulas and the 5-year housing supply. Information in correspondence.
- i) **Webinar on Local Plans.** Cllr Warburton gave a brief synopsis of this webinar held on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, which he attended.

#### 8. **POINTS RAISED on OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2022 CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) **Civility and Respect.** The PC **agreed** to sign up to the Pledge. **Clerk**
- b) **Register of Brownfield Sites.** Find out where Central Bedfordshire brownfield sites are that are available for development. **Clerk**

#### 9. **CHALGRAVE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN**

The Emergency Plan Team checked up on vulnerable people during the recent bad weather.

#### 10. **NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2022 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

- a) **Civility and Respect:** November 2022 newsletter in correspondence.
- b) **Power for People.** Notification that the Government's Energy Bill has been revived and is back to be discussed in the House of Lords.
- c) **CBC: Update to Councils' Register of Interest for Town and Parish Cllrs.** In correspondence.
- d) **Public Policy Exchange: Improving Water Quality.** Invitation to join a Webinar on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023. In correspondence.
- e) **CPRE: Countryside Voices.** Autumn/Winter 2022 magazine in correspondence.
- f) **CBC: Town and Parish Update.** December 2022/January 2023 newsletter in correspondence.

#### 11. **ACCOUNTS**

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

	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
1	Michael Bellamy	Removal of willow trees at Tebworth Pond: December 2022	250.00
2	Lesley Smith	Clerk's salary and expenses: November 2022	264.57
		<b>Total</b>	<b>514.57</b>

- b) **Bank Statements; 12/12/2022**

- i. Current Account: £4,340.21
- ii. Reserve account: £6,209.48

#### 12. **PRECEPT 2023/24**

After discussion the PC **agreed** to raise the precept for 2023/24 from £7,939 to £8,664. This represents an increase of 5.3% for a Band D property annual charge from £36.09 to £38.00. **Clerk**

#### 13. **HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

- a) **National Highways; A421/Salford Road Junction.** Road Closures from January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to April 2023 between 8pm and 6am. Information in correspondence.
- b) **Poplar Trees Opposite the Queen's Head.** The owner of the land that the trees are on has confirmed that they are safe.
- c) **Potholes.** Report pothole outside The Grand Chapel, Toddington Road. **Clerk**

- d) **Footway, Hockliffe Road.** Cllr Green reported that part of the footway is still not clear of overlapping vegetation. He will take photos. Ongoing. **KG**

#### 14. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### a) **Planning**

##### i. **Applications**

Application No.	Address	Proposed work	PC comments	CBC decision
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
22/03164	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
22/03724/RM	Land west of Bidwell	Up to 1,850 dwellings & associated infrastructure	Not yet determined. Comments by November 21 <sup>st</sup>	To be decided
22/04065	21 Hockliffe Road, Tebworth	2-storey extension to main house. 2-storey side extension & erection of rear balcony to detached annexe	Not yet determined. Comments by November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Granted
22/04307	Land at Sundon	Development of new sports facility	Not yet determined. Comments by December 9 <sup>th</sup>	Consultation period ends 30/12/2022

- ii. **Ivy Farm Barns.** The Compliance Officer at CBC has agreed that there is a disparity between the appearance of the dwellings and the approved materials and he is seeking the advice of the Planning Officer on this point. Ongoing.

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

Cllr Green previously reported that **Footpath (FP) 17** from Tebworth to the A5 is impassable because of maize growing in the field. A wire fence had also been installed with no access through. The PC has written to the directors. Awaiting response. Cllr Green will walk the path as soon as he can. **KG**

##### c) **Website**

Cllr Warburton will upload a summary of the Local Plan webinar he attended on November 30, 2022. **PW**

##### d) **Speed Watch.**

The VAS has been repaired and a Speed Watch will take place in January 2023. **PP**

#### 15. **ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA**

None at present.

#### 16. **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Meeting closed at 20.34pm

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