

CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

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THE **NEXT MEETING** OF CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON **TUESDAY, APRIL 18th, 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 MARCH 28th, 2023 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 MARCH 28th, 2023 MINUTES
9. POINTS RAISED from FEBRUARY/MARCH 2023 CORRESPONDENCE
10. EMERGENCY PLAN-Report and update
11. MARCH/APRIL 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 March 28th, 2023 at 7.30pm.

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

Public present: 0

Committees

Planning	Cllr Warburton	07941 624419	
Rights of Way	Cllr Green-Chair	874107	Cllr Warburton 07941 624419
Website	Cllr Warburton	07941 624419	
Speed Watch	Cllr Parry	07831 605600	
Pond	Cllr Day	875921	Barbara Jackson 07960 445492

Responsibilities

Cllr Parry	Highways liaison	07831 605600	
Cllr Ludgate	Police liaison	07885 375363	Cllr Greenwood 07932 326274
Cllr Masters	Fly tipping	07530 803903	

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Kevin Ludgate; Cllr Peter Warburton.

2. MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 21ST, 2023 MEETING

The minutes of the February 21st, 2023 meeting were 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.

One crime was reported during the first half of February.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Crime</u>	<u>Other details</u>
06/03/23	Woodlands	Burglary-residential	None

b) Office of the PCC

- i. Newsletter-March 23, 2023 edition in correspondence.
- ii. Ward/Council Cluster Meetings. Monthly meetings with the Deputy Police and Crime commissioners are planned to be resumed.

c) Neighbourhood Watch-Ours News. March newsletter in correspondence.

d) Parish Council Meetings. Request for dates of this year's PC meetings in order to arrange police to attend.

e) Beds Alert

- i. Keeping you informed. Advice on how to contact the police with a query. In correspondence.
- ii. Action Fraud. Advice on how to recognize scams. In correspondence.
- iii. Police impersonation scams. Information in correspondence.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM FEBRUARY 21ST, 2023 MINUTES

a) Chalgrave Manor and Tebworth Solar Farms.

- i. Still 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. Ongoing.
- ii. Enso, the developer for Tebworth Solar Farm, met with Cllr Parry and the clerk via Teams to discuss possible funding towards a community project. Cllr Parry will advise the Memorial Hall to put a plan together for the new playground to present to Enso. Progressing. **PP**

b) McDonald's Hockliffe. Cllrs Parry & Warburton to arrange a meeting with them about a possible combined litter pick. Ongoing. **PP; PW**

- c) **Grass Verges and Rewilding.** The PC has asked CBC's Environment Team to come and talk to us. Meeting to be arranged. Progressing. **Clerk**
- d) **Parkview Lane.** The Lane and the gully opposite are clear at the moment but the gulleys opposite The Old School and by Tythe Farm are overflowing. Report to HW. **Clerk**
- e) **Civility and Respect.** Bedfordshire Association of Town and Parish Councils (BATPC) is arranging training for councils.
- f) **Coronation of King Charles 111.** The PC agreed to buy commemorative mugs for the children of the parish. Clerk to order. **Clerk**

6. **CHALGRAVE CHURCH REPORT by the Revd Linda Washington**

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

7. **CHALGRAVE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN**

No updates this month.

8. **POINTS RAISED on JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2023 CORRESPONDENCE**

Cllr Masters suggested commemorative mugs for King Charles 111 coronation.

9. **FEBRUARY/MARCH 2023 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

- a) **Allotment letter.** Request for an allotment within the parish. Unfortunately, the PC owns very little land so this is not possible. Clerk has responded accordingly.
- b) **Tebworth Pond Letter.** A resident has complained about new willow trees being planted by the pond. The clerk has responded and said that two varieties of willow have been planted, both of which were advised by the Landscape Officer at CBC. They are less vigorous than a standard willow and can be pruned or coppiced on a regular basis.
- c) **NPPF Consultation December 2022.** Responses by NALC, London Green Belt Council and the Royal Town Planning Institute are all in correspondence.
- d) **National Highways Jcts 13-16.** The upgrade on the M1 between junctions 13 and 16 is completed and the motorway is now fully open for traffic.
- e) **Rural Bulletin 03 March 2023.** Heat pump article in correspondence.
- f) **CPRE AGM.** 26th April 2023, 7pm at Great Barford Village Hall MK44 3HA. Speaker Kate Allberry will talk about the CPRE campaign to call on the government to adopt a renewables strategy that prioritises rooftops, surface car parks and brownfield sites. Information in correspondence.
- g) **NALC National Networks** announce new network for young councillors.
- h) **BATPC.** Programme of communications and compliance training in correspondence.
- i) **CBC: Free Bus Service** for Leighton-Linslade confirmed. Information in correspondence.
- j) **Clerks and Councils Direct.** March 2023 magazine in correspondence.
- k) **NHS Bedfordshire Hospitals Ambassador Magazine.** March 2023 edition in correspondence.

10. **PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

Cllr Day said she would not be standing again but she is willing to continue to be involved with Tebworth Pond.

11. **ACCOUNTS**

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

	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
1	Jan Day	Trees for pond area	26.85
2	Lesley Smith	Clerk's salary and expenses: February and March 2023	611.19
		Total	638.04

- b) **Bank Statements; 03/03/2023**

- i. Current Account: £2,782.55
- ii. Reserve account: £6,222.21

12. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- a) **Lords Hill.** Report the faded white lines from the Lords Hill roundabout to Tebworth Road, Wingfield again. Ongoing. **Clerk**
- b) **Blocked Gullies.** Report the gully opposite The Old School, Wingfield Road and the gully close to the entry to Tythe Farm, Wingfield Road. **Clerk**
- c) **Footway, Hockliffe Road.** Report parts of the footway that are still not clear of overlapping vegetation again. Ongoing. **Clerk**
- d) **1 Home Farm.** The PC has asked for a site meeting with HW to discuss how the corner can be made safer. No response yet. Follow up. Ongoing. **Clerk**
- e) **Chalgrave Road/B5120 Junction.** The hedge on the Toddington side of the junction is overgrown and restricting visibility, particularly when trying to turn right onto the B5120. CBC has said that the hedge is on private land so the PC will contact the landowner requesting that the hedge be cut back. **Clerk**
- f) **20 mph Signs.** Cllr Green reported that the signs have disappeared.
- g) **Verge opposite the Queen's Head.** The PC has received a query as to whether the verge can be tidied up.

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Planning

Applications

Application No.	Address	Proposed work	PC comments	CBC decision
21/05629 Variation of conditions	Pond Farm, Hill Close, Wingfield	Change cladding on 1 st floor to red brick; reduce height of rear elevation & add skylight	No objections	Not yet decided
22/04307	Land at Sundon	Development of new sports facility	No objections	To be decided
22/04975	Ivy Farm Barns	Change of use of land to amenity land	No objections	Withdrawn
23/00113	21 Hockliffe Road	Revised application for extensions to the main house and the annexe	No objections	Refused
23/00852	Ivy Farm Barns. Plot 2	Variation of condition 19 of planning permission CB/19/02342/FULL	Object. Recommendations contrary to the directions of the National Planning Policy Framework that new buildings should enhance, not detract from the natural & local environment.	Consultation period

b) Rights of Way (ROW)

- i. Footpath (FP) 21, Icknield Way, from Tebworth Road to the B5120 has not been cleared for two years. PC to write to the landowner asking for the path to be cut. **Clerk**
- ii. Footpath 17 from Tebworth to the A5 was impassable because maize was growing in the field. A wire fence had also been installed with no access through. The PC has written to the directors. No response received yet. Stiles have been put up by the electric fence. Cllr Green will walk the FP. **KG**
- iii. Letter of Thanks to be sent to Mr Roger Fenwick for installing a boundary sign and putting up the bird information board by Lane Farm.
- iv. Bridge. Cllr Green reported that a bridge between The Lane and Toddington Road is in a bad state of repair.
- v. Cllr Green has removed a tree that has fallen over a kissing gate.

c) **Website**

No report this month.

d) **Speed Watch.**

A Speed Watch on Toddington Road took place on March 27th, 2023.

e) **Tebworth Pond.**

Cllr Day asked for volunteers to help to keep the ground clear. Cllr Parry asked if a day could be organised to do this. Cllr Day replied it was better to carry out on an as and when basis so as not to disturb the nesting birds and other wildlife.

14. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR MARK VERSALLION

a) **Speed Cameras** are due to be installed on the A5 in Hockliffe in May 2023.

b) **UK Power Network.** Cllr Versallion visited the site during the recent Hockliffe Road closure to find out why the work was taking so long to complete. Cllr Green commented that traffic was being diverted along Wingfield Road again.

15. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

None at present

16. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, April 18th, 2023

Meeting closed at 20.31pm

Signed by Chairman.....

Date.....