

CHALFONT ST. GILES PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee was held on Monday 24 April 2017 in the Gardens Association Hall, School Lane at 8.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr R Gill (Chairman), Cllr P Lea-Wilson, Cllr S Long, Cllr M Phillips, Cllr J Ryman, Cllr C Sweales and the Clerk.

Public Forum: None

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Cllr G Patrick
- 2. Minutes** of the meeting held on 20 March 2017 report 12/17 were agreed and signed in meeting.
- 3. Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 4. Correspondence:** None.
- 5. Correspondence received after the circulation of the agenda:** None.
- 6. Clerks Report:** None.
- 7. Current Matters.**
 - 7.1. To discuss the transfer of capital reserves:** It was agreed that funds paid out during the year for equipment should be transferred from the capital reserves fund into the 2016/17 funds.
 - 7.2. To update the mandate for the Buckinghamshire Building Society:** It was agreed to update the mandate with Cllrs Bray, Gill, Long and Patrick as the signatories.
 - 7.3. To discuss the '1 hour free' parking at Blizzards Yard Car Park:** Letters had been sent to Costa Coffee and the Co-op to ask for donations towards the '1 hour free' parking. Costa had replied by voicemail and refused to make a contribution. The Co-op will make a contribution but to-date have not specified an amount. Clerk to write to Lloyds Pharmacy to ask for contribution. Data about historical BAT4CSG payments to be brought to the next meeting.
 - 7.4. To discuss income generation:** A suggestion of a pet cemetery was made as a potential for income generation. It was requested to be formalised as an agenda item for full council. It was also agreed to look at all of the Parish Council assets with a view to clarifying the position on these items ahead of any precept capping exercises by local government.
 - 7.5. To discuss flags and flag poles for armed forces day:** Two flags had been purchased for Miltons Cottage and the Parish Church. A majority vote was made to agree to a flag pole being brought into the centre of the village. This will be referred to full council.
 - 7.6. To discuss a community bus scheme:** Cllr Ryman will investigate this further and will bring it back to the agenda when he has more information.
- 8. Highways and Road Safety:**
 - 8.1. To discuss the speed limits on Bowstridge Lane:** A resident of Bowstridge Lane has asked for the speed limit to be reduced on Bowstridge Lane as it is very busy and there are often walkers using the road. The national speed limit currently applies. A letter to be sent to TfB to ask for the speed limit to be reduced.
- 9. Financial references from other committees:**
 - 9.1. To discuss funding for Parish Benches (referred from Open Spaces 16/17).** The Over 60's group can afford £200 towards the London Road bus stop bench. Cllr Phillips proposed that the remainder of the funds are provided by the Parish Council, seconded by Cllr Ryman. Majority voted in favour. It was also agreed to grant permission for a memorial bench on the High Street by the bus stop.
- 10. Payment of Accounts:** Accounts for March 2017 (accounts to date – not end of year accounts). Cheques were signed in meeting.
- 11. Items for future agendas:**

11.1. Council Agenda – village show volunteers.

11.2. Open Spaces – Captain Cook monument – litter issues.

12. Date of next meeting: Monday 22 May 2017 at 8pm

Meeting closed at 9.28pm.