

CHALFONT ST. GILES PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee was held on Monday 26 June 2017 in the Gardens Association Hall, School Lane at 8.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr R Gill (Chairman), Cllr P Lea-Wilson, Cllr M Phillips, Cllr Ryman and Cllr C Sweales

Minutes: Cllr M Phillips

Public Forum: Ian Johnson answered questions in relation to an application for funding under the Grant Awarding Policy by the Memorial Hall

- 1. Apologies for absence.** Cllr G Patrick, Cllr S Long
- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on 22 May 2017 report 21/17.**

Proposed by Cllr Lea Wilson, seconded by Cllr Sweales

- 3. Declarations of Interest.** None
- 4. Correspondence:** None
- 5. Correspondence received after the circulation of the agenda.** None
- 6. Clerks Report** In the absence of the clerk there was no clerk's report
- 7. Current Matters:**

7.1. To update on the Neighbourhood Plan finances and time frame

Cllr Phillips would ask John Bradley to check with the planning consultants as to whether applications for registration of Assets of Community Value needed to be included as part of the Neighbourhood Plan process. It was thought not. Cllr Ryman noted that the grant received for implementation of the Neighbourhood Plan was allocated to specific tasks within the process and queried whether if one area was underspent the balance could be re-allocated to other areas or whether it needed to be returned. John Bradley of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party had requested release of further funds for approximately 2.5 days of work by the planning consultant. This was approved

7.2. To consider applications for funding under the Grant Awarding Policy.

- i. Twinning Association: Application for £500 to facilitate hosting guests from Holland approved.
- ii. Memorial Hall Committee: Application for £10,000 to part fund the new heating system in the Hall approved by the committee and referred to council for full approval.

8. Highways and Road Safety:

8.1. To discuss the road safety request from Chalfont St Giles School

The request was that the Parish Council funds a feasibility study for having a red tarmac strip put across Up Corner Close outside Costa to indicate a crossing point for school children whose parents were parking in the Blizzard's Yard Car Park. It was noted that there is no obligation for cars to stop at the red tarmac. The proposed location is right at the junction of High Street with Stratton Chase Drive and Up Corner. None of the Councillors present felt that this was a safe place for the children to cross, or a safe place to put a red tarmac strip which, it was felt, would be confusing for motorists who would come upon it unexpectedly. Such a feature was likely to cause a backup of traffic onto the High Street if cars stopped,

and might cause accidents. For this reason the request for funding of the feasibility study was declined.

9. Financial references from other committees:

9.1. To consider the financial implications of the removal of interment fees for children as proposed by the Open Spaces Committee.

Since the interment of children is rare, there were considered to be no financial implications in respect of the removal of interment fees for children and this move was unanimously supported.

10. Payment of Accounts: Accounts for May 2017: None

11. Items for future agendas: None

12. Date of next meeting: Monday 24 July 2017 at 8pm

Meeting concluded 8.57pm.