

CHALFONT ST GILES PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 6 September 2017 at Gardens Association Hall, Chalfont St Giles at 8.00p.m.

Present: Cllr G Patrick (Chairman), Cllr D Bray, Cllr J Chamberlain, Cllr R Gill, Cllr S Long, Cllr M Phillips, Cllr R Massey, Cllr J Ryman, Cllr C Sweales and the Clerk H Griffiths.

Public Forum:

Mr Simon Avery and Alex Bach from the Conservation Area Committee attended to discuss traffic calming measures on the Deanway. Following a feasibility study by TfB three options for traffic calming were proposed. These were taken to informal public consultations where the majority of votes were for option one which is for white lines to be painted on the roads to indicate where parking is permitted. The cost of these works (2016) is £11K. The Local Area Forum (LAF) does accept bids for traffic related projects but it requires matched funding. The Conservation Area Committee can raise £1K towards the project but would ask the Parish Council for the rest of the matched funding.

The Chairman, Cllr Patrick asked for the following item to be heard before the rest of the agenda.

8.1 To Update the neighbourhood plan: Mr John Bradley, member of the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) Working Party updated the committee about the current status of the NP. Chiltern District Council (CDC) had been very supportive and had added their comments to the document. Cllr Phillips had proof read the document and minor corrections had been made. The NP document had been circulated to all councillors for their comments. No further issues were identified in the meeting.

Resolution: The Council resolved unanimously to submit the Neighbourhood Plan to Chiltern District Council for the next stage of the process.

Cllr Chamberlain asked for thanks to be extended to John Bradley for this dedication in driving the Neighbourhood Plan forward.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr P Lea-Wilson, Cllr J Lomas and Cllr C Santry
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
3. **Minutes of the extraordinary meetings held on 2 August 2017 report 32/17:** Were agreed and signed in the meeting. Also the minutes of the Council meeting held on 5 July 2017 report 28/17 were agreed and signed in meeting. Re point 5.1 it was agreed to add information regarding HS2 funding to the website along with links to CDC website.
4. **Clerks notes:** Noted
5. **Correspondence:**
 - 5.1. **Request from Chalfont St Giles Playgroup to help find new premises:** This request was discussed and further information was required regarding the areas currently considered by the playgroup. It was also suggested that a call for help be added to the village newsletter as there may be opportunities within the village that are not currently considered.
 - 5.2. **Invitation to attend the Resilience Support Service launch.(Circulated by email):**
Noted.

5.3. Invitation to exhibition of property development in Deadhearn Lane. (Circulated by email): Noted.

5.4. Notification of Road Closure Bowstridge Lane (Circulated by email): Noted.

6. Correspondence received after the agenda was circulated:

6.1. Invitation to the Chiltern Hills 'The Fight for Beauty' event: Noted.

6.2. Letter from Mazars regarding the 2017/18 Audit: To be added to the F&GP agenda.

6.3. BALC Training Schedule (Circulated by email): Noted. Questions raised about why courses were already full.

6.4. Affinity Water Update: Noted. Link to affinity water to be added to the website.

6.5. War Memorials Workshop on Tuesday 26 September: Noted

6.6. Historic England, Communities, conservation areas and actions free conference: Noted – send a copy to The Conservation Area Committee.

6.7. Letters from the residents of Cherry Rise following the Devolved Services Letter re dangerous vegetation: Noted.

7. Reports from committees

7.1. Planning Committee meeting 16 August 2017 33/17. Proposed by Cllr Bray and seconded by Cllr Long, all agreed.

8. Current Matters:

8.1. To update the Neighbourhood Plan – See above.

8.2. To discuss the traffic calming proposals: See information in the public forum.

Resolution: To apply to the LAF for funding for the Deanway traffic calming proposals option 1. Matched funding will be up to £5k from the Parish Council and £1k from the Conservation Area committee with a condition that repairs are made to the Deanway before the work is conducted. Proposed by Cllr Long and seconded by Cllr Ryman. Agreed.

8.3. To discuss a policy for dealing with property developers: It was agreed that in the future property developers will be allowed to attend meetings during the public forum but Councillors will not enter into discussions during these sessions. If necessary, an agenda item would be created for a future meeting to discuss any actions arising from the public forum. It was agreed that it was unacceptable to meet individually with property developers.

8.4. To discuss a policy for handling complaints: A draft policy was circulated to the Council. This will be added to the agenda of the next council meeting.

8.5. To agree a colour for Bond House: It was agreed that Bond House should be coloured white as approved in the non-material amendment ref CH/2015/0841/NMA to planning application number CH/2014/1824/FA. The Clerk will send a letter to the developer to ask for the amendments to be made.

8.6. To discuss the Miltons Head fire report and subsequent actions: The petition text to be circulated to councillors regarding the request to Chiltern District Council to retain the C3/4 designation for the land where the Miltons Head used to stand. Once agreed the petition will be added to the web site and circulated with paper copies available for signatures.

- 8.7. To discuss a policy for the protection of historical buildings (not listed buildings) in the parish:** Defer to future meeting.
- 8.8. To update on policing priorities for the next quarter:** Policing priorities of anti-social behaviour on mopeds and motorbikes, drug use in the recreation ground and Remembrance Sunday Parade. The PCSO's had contacted the office to confirm that there will be officers at the Remembrance Sunday Parade.
- 8.9. To discuss the development of a pet cemetery:** Defer to future meeting.
- 8.10. To discuss the options for a village flag pole:** Defer to future meeting.
- 8.11. To discuss affordable housing within the Parish:** Defer to future meeting.
- 9. Accounts for July 2017:** Accounts were agreed and cheques were signed in the meeting.
- 10. Items for future agenda:**
 - 10.1. Events and activities for 2018.**
 - 10.2. Update on the 'Show' bridge.**
- 11. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 4 October 2017**

Meeting closed 10.08pm

