

CHALFONT ST. GILES PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting of the Open Spaces and Amenities Committee was held on Wednesday 18 February 2018 at the Gardens Association Hall, School Lane at 8pm.

Present: Cllr G Patrick (Chairman), Cllr D Bray, Cllr J Chamberlain, Cllr R Gill, Cllr R Massey, Cllr M Phillips, Cllr C Santry and the Clerk.

Public Forum: None.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** None.
- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on 15 November 2017 report 45/17:** Were agreed and signed in meeting.
- 3. Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 4. Clerks report:** Noted.
- 5. Correspondence:**
 - 5.1. Request to extend the footpath in the recreation ground to Dibden Hill (circulated by email).** To be added to the next Open Spaces Agenda.
 - 5.2. Request to use the village green in March for a checkpoint on a charity walk/run. (circulated by email).** Agreed.
- 6. Correspondence received after the agenda was circulated:**
 - 6.1. Request from the Gardens Association to use the village green for their annual plant sale on Saturday 5 May:** Permission granted.
- 7. Current Matters:**
 - 7.1. To update on devolved services:** Grass cutting for this financial year is now complete. A hedge flail will be hired to be used both on the devolved services areas and on the recreation grounds. This will take place at the beginning of February, we are awaiting insurance costs to cover the use of the machinery.
 - 7.2. To discuss the developments in the heritage trail project:** Testing of the software had highlighted several issues but most of these have now been resolved.
 - 7.3. To update on the Market on the village green:** Cllr Bray and Cllr Gill would speak to BAT4CSG to see whether they wish the Parish Council to take on the contract with Duck Pond Markets. If this is confirmed then a working party will analyse the details required in a contract before the Parish Council agree to take this on.
 - 7.4. To discuss pond maintenance:** The report from the Environment Officer at Buckinghamshire County Council (BCC) has not been received despite several requests. It was agreed to escalate this to Martin Tett, leader of BCC.
 - 7.5. To update on the show bridge:** The show committee were awaiting the use of a crane to move the bridge to its final location.
 - 7.6. To update on the ball court vandalism:** Two quotes have been received for the repair/replacement of the ball court lighting. Clerk to explore whether we can claim part of this expense on the insurance. Also an article regarding the damage and the costs of repair to be added to the village newsletter.

- 7.7. To update on water supply issues to the clubs at the recreation ground:** Estimates for the water supply changes have been received and new estimates sought.
- 7.8. To discuss the installation of a litter bin at Three Households:** A new litter bin would cost £150 and the cost of 52 collections a year would be an ongoing cost of £65p.a. Cllr Gill proposed that we install a bin and accept the ongoing cost, seconded by Cllr Phillips. All agreed.
- 8. Payment of Accounts:** No accounts were paid.
- 9. Items for future agendas:**
- 9.1. Registration of councillors at the Information Commissioners Office.**
- 9.2. Use of the village green during National Bike Week 9th -17th June.**
- 10. Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 15 February 2018

Meeting closed 9.11pm