

CHALFONT ST. GILES PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee was held on Monday 25 February 2019 in the Gardens Association Hall, School Lane at 8.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr R Gill (Chairman), Cllr G Kirkby, Cllr S Long, Cllr G Patrick, Cllr Ryman and the Clerk.

Public Forum.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Cllr P Lea-Wilson
- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2019 report 05/19:** 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. Current Matters:**
 - 6.1. To update maintenance requirements of the Community Library building:** The new door release mechanism was due to be installed on 25 February. The work to the fascia is due at the end of March when the scaffolding can be arranged.
 - 6.2. To update the Football Club lease maintenance programme:** An update provided by the Football Club chairman on progress with the maintenance programme was presented. The work to the 'dugout' was now complete.
 - 6.3. To update the renewal contract for the phone mast at the recreation ground:** A final offer had been received offering a £10k one off payment and a sum of £2K compensation to be drawn down every time an appointment for a mast site visit was made. It was agreed that this offer should be accepted with the opportunity to revisit the agreement after 12 months.
 - 6.4. To agree the wording for the Village Improvement and Enhancement Fund Policy:** Moved to the next meeting.
 - 6.5. To update the Parish Council Risk assessments:** Cllr Gill had assessed the risk assessments and commented on their contents. The comments would be addressed and brought to the main council for approval.
 - 6.6. To update on the issues with the bowling club:** Cllr Patrick, Cllr Long and the Clerk had attended a meeting with the officers of the Bowling club. Three issues were discussed:
 - 6.6.1. Water Supply:** The water supply pressure had been dropped by Affinity Water and since then the supply to the Tractor Shed and the club toilets had been minimal when the bowling green watering tank was filling. This problem would probably deteriorate over the coming months as the 4000L tank was being replaced with a 5000L tank which would take longer to fill.
 - 6.6.2. Lease:** The conditions of the new lease would require an energy efficiency rating. An examiner had been contacted and will send a quote for the work. Other conditions of

the lease would be brought up to date legally and then circulated for further discussion.

- 6.6.3. Path from car park to bowling club:** An estimate of £23K for a tarmac path had been received. Funding had been sought but because the pool of users for the club was so small the funding request had been turned down. Clerk to ask other clerks if they had installed paths of other construction which would be more aesthetically and environmentally pleasing in the recreation ground.
 - 6.7. To discuss the amendments to the war memorial:** Cllr Long had emailed and called the Diocese to chase a decision on the type of memorial plinth they preferred. Despite several calls and emails a response had not been received.
 - 6.8. To discuss village establishments:** Cllr Kirkby would follow this up.
 - 6.9. To agree a sponsorship policy:** Moved to the next meeting.
 - 6.10. To update on village street lighting:** A winter audit of the street lighting had taken place. We now have 12 LED lights in the Parish and these would be added to the list for the unmetered supply which should bring down our monthly costs. The lamp at UpCorner that was demolished by a vehicle has now been replaced and the street light resiting in Sycamore Road has also been completed.
 - 6.11. To discuss adding independent water and electricity meters to the recreation ground clubs:** A new water supply for the bowling club was being investigated. Other clubs could all control their own bills if independent meters were installed.
- 7. Payment of Accounts:** Invoices were examined and signed for later online authorisation.
 - 8. Items for future agendas:** None.
 - 9. Date of next meeting:** Monday 25 March 2019 at 8pm

Meeting closed at 8.48pm