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THE **NEXT MEETING** OF CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21st, 2017 at 7.30pm AT CHALGRAVE MEMORIAL HALL.

Lesley Smith, Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

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8. MATTERS ARISING FROM OCTOBER 17th, 2017 MINUTES
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16. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

MINUTES of the meeting of Chalgrave Parish Council held on Tuesday, October 17th, 2017 at Chalgrave Memorial Hall, Tebworth at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr. Ken Green; Cllr. Debbie Levy; Cllr. Kevin Ludgate; Cllr. Phil Parry; Cllr P Whitton; Lesley Smith-Clerk.

Public present: 5

Committees

Planning	Cllr Levy-Chair	877149		
Footpaths	Cllr Green-Chair	874107		
Website	Cllr Green	874107	Cllr Wells	877098
Speed Watch	Cllr Wells-Chair	877098	Cllr Levy	877149

Responsibilities

Cllr Parry	Highways liaison			07831605600
Cllr Ludgate	Police liaison			07768606968
Cllr Whitton	Fly tipping	Buses	Pond	07808174843

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Barbara Jackson; Cllr Mike Wells; Ward Councillor Mark Versallion.

2. MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19th, 2017 MEETING

The minutes of the September 19th, 2017 meeting were amended, approved and signed as correct by the chairman.

3. SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

4. POLICE MATTERS

- a) **Crime figures.** 2 reports of anti-social behaviour on or near the sports field, Wingfield in August 2017.

5. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR VERSALLION

No report this month.

6. REPORT FROM ALL SAINTS CHURCH

No report this month.

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM SEPTEMBER 19th, 2017 MINUTES

- a) **Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS); Toddington Road.** Replacing the sign will cost £2,500 approx depending on the type of sign required. Cllr Parry will look into the possibility of some matched funding. **PP**
- b) **Parish Council Computer.** In progress. **MW**
- c) **Article 4; Queen's Head.** The Senior Planning Officer at CBC has confirmed that any change of use of the Queen's Head to a use other than a public house would now require planning permission as a result of the recent changes to government regulations. The PC has also been notified that a restrictive covenant is on the transfer document for the sale of the Queens Head. CAMRA has advised the Save the Queens Head Group that an injunction can be sought to make sure the covenant is not lifted. The Group has asked the PC if it would consider the possibility of seeking an injunction. The PC will look into whether it can be removed and, if so, how this can be prevented. The discussion continued. A resident asked if we had any legal standing if the pub was boarded up. Cllr Levy will enquire. **DL**
- d) **Community Plan.** Cllr Green commented that there had only been one meeting about the Plan and no review has been published. He had described it as a 'lightweight document'. At the June meeting the PC approved his draft letter to CBC, which includes these comments and it was sent to CBC, which has acknowledged receipt. Awaiting full response. Follow up **Clerk**
- e) **CBC: Draft Local Plan.**
- i. Last month, the government's consultation, which included new methodology for calculating housing need, was published. Using this new method would mean a 60% increase on CBC's current housing

need calculation. At full CBC council, 28th September 2017, members voted unanimously to robustly challenge the proposed new methodology through the consultation process, on the basis that it is neither deliverable nor reasonable.

- ii. NALC has launched a consultation on the proposed changes to the government's planning policy. Consultation ends October 27th, 2017. Cllr Parry will complete. **PP**
- f) **Emergency Planning.** Cllrs Levy and Jackson have drafted a plan which has been circulated to all the cllrs. In progress. **BJ; DL**
- g) **Lane Farm.** Awaiting response from James Jamieson, Leader CBC about non-response by CBC to letters sent by the PC. Clerk to contact Cllr Versallion. Follow up. Ongoing. **Clerk**
- h) **Village Focus Group.** October meeting minutes in correspondence. Cllr Parry mentioned the proposed new Gypsy and Travellers' sites. The Focus Group had suggested using sites on CBC owned land alongside the new A5-M1 link road. **Clerk**
- i) **CBC: The Stables and Greenacres Gypsy and Travellers' Sites.** Consultation on proposed changes to the sites. Consultation ends on November 14th, 2017. Clerk to find out whether residents on council owned sites pay council tax. **Clerk**
- j) **Velocity Patcher.** The PC has written to CBC thanking them for filling in the potholes around the parish. CBC has acknowledged the letter. **Clerk**
- k) **7.5 Tonne Limit Signs.** Sign is obscured on the northbound A5 at the Tebworth turn. Clerk to contact Highways England. **Clerk**

8. POINTS RAISED on JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2017 CORRESPONDENCE

No points raised.

9. SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2017 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) **Resignation.** Cllr Jackson has offered her resignation from the PC due to the increase in her working hours. CBC Returning Officer to be notified. **Clerk**
- b) **NALC: Planning for the Right Homes in the Right Places.** DCLG has launched a consultation on the proposed changes to planning policy design and legislation. Responses to NALC by October 27th, 2017.
- c) **CBC: Planning for the Right Homes in the Right Places.** Notification that CBC has responded to the NALC's consultation. CBC argues that the proposed new methodology to calculating housing need will result in a 60% increase in the housing CBC would need to plan for. In correspondence.
- d) **CPRE: Campaigns Update.** Newsletter in correspondence.
- e) **Hockliffe Parish Council: Draft Hockliffe Neighbourhood Plan.** Comments requested by October 31st, 2017. In correspondence.
- f) **CBC: Local Transport Plan.** LTP Rural Match Fund & Bidding Guidelines 2018/19. In correspondence. **Section 106.** Adam Zemy, Independent Cllr CBC, has sent information on where CBC has been spending s106 money. He argues that CBC spends the s106 money, paid by developers, miles away from the communities affected by development. CBC Cllr Nigel Young, Executive Member for Regeneration and Business, has responded and commented that Cllr Zemy's email is 'very misleading'. Cllr Zemy has sent a 2nd email citing examples of where money has been spent away from areas where development has taken place. In correspondence. **Cllr Green proposed, seconded by Cllr Levy responding to Cllr Zemy. All agreed.** **Clerk**
- g) **London Green Belt Council:** Threats to London's Green Belt. Research has shown that 400 sites are now identified for housing in London's Green Belt. In correspondence.
- h) **Dept for Digital, Culture Media and Sport:** Data Protection Bill. Information on the Bill. In correspondence. A Data Protection Officer (DPO) now must be appointed by PCs. The role can be fulfilled by the clerk. In correspondence.
- i) **CBC: Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Consultation.** The assessment is looking at what pharmaceutical services are currently available in the area and whether they meet local needs. Consultation ends December 15th, 2017. In correspondence.
- j) **BATPC:** Annual Report and Accounts 2016/17. In correspondence.
- k) **Go Guiding.** Newsletter in correspondence
- l) **Leighton Buzzard Library Theatre.** November-January 2018 programme. In correspondence.
- m) **London Luton Airport.** Autumn 2017 Newsletter. Circulated by email.

10. TEBWORTH POND

- a) **Negotiations.** The PC has written to the residents living next to the pond suggesting further negotiations. Awaiting response. Cllr Green commented that the PC must keep trying to negotiate. He **proposed** informing Land Registry that the other party would agree to remove the fence if the PC agreed to the boundary changes. There was no seconder as no such agreement had been reached.

11. ACCOUNTS

- a) **Cheques for Signature.** The following cheques have been approved and signed:

Chq No:	Payee	Description	Amount £
1036	M.W Agri Ltd	Memorial Hall grass cutting (part of 2017 grant)	240.00
		Total	240.00

12. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- a) **Speeding down The Lane** has been reported. Cllr Parry will monitor. **PP**
- b) **Dog Mess: The Lane.** Cllr Parry will monitor. Clerk to report that the dog bin on The Lane is full. **PP; Clerk**
- c) **Street Lamp.** The lamp outside the Sunday School, The Lane is faulty. CBC has said it will repair once the wall has been rebuilt. Cllr Parry will chase. **PP**
- d) The following will be reported to HW: **Clerk**
- The marking on the B5120 roundabout on the M1-A5 Link Road are wrong.
 - Cut back growth at the junction of Chalgrave Road and the B5120. Follow up
 - Cut back growth opposite 72 Wingfield Road, Tebworth
 - Suggest reinstalling the 40mph speed limit on Lords Hill from the link road roundabout to Tebworth Road.

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) **Speed Watch**

There were two Speed Watches in September. A van deliberately drove at Cllrs Levy and Wells on Toddington Road. The registration was recorded but the police have said that the only thing they can do is charge the driver with driving without due care and attention.

- b) **Footpaths**

- TrailTale.co.uk has asked if the Chalgrave Heritage Trail can be added to the Trailtale app. Details in correspondence.
- Footpath 10 has been cut.

- c) **Planning**

- Applications

Application No.	Address	Proposed work	PC comments	CBC decision
17/01953	Ivy Farm, Toddington Road, Tebworth	Conversion of redundant agricultural buildings to 4 new 2 bedroom dwellings	See below*	Granted
17/04026	6 Woodlands, Tebworth	Single storey rear extension	No objections	Granted

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1. Concerned about proposed new drive to the development being built on Green Belt.
2. Buildings claimed to be redundant but they are used by the farmer for dipping and shearing sheep.
3. The buildings are within the conservation area of Tebworth.
4. The farm would be without any farm buildings if should they be converted. If the farm was sold as a farm new barns would have to be built.

- d) **Website**

There has been a technical problem but Cllrs Green and Wells are sorting it out. **KG; MW**

14. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

None

15. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, November 21st, 2017 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 21.07

Signed by Chairman.....

Dated.....