

# CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

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THE **NEXT MEETING** OF CHALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON **TUESDAY, JANUARY 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019** at 7.30pm AT CHALGRAVE MEMORIAL HALL.

Lesley Smith, Clerk to the Council

## AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2. OPEN FORUM
3. TO AMEND, APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 MEETING
4. SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
5. POLICE MATTERS
6. REPORT from WARD COUNCILLOR MARK VERSALLION
7. REPORT from ALL SAINTS CHURCH, CHALGRAVE
8. MATTERS ARISING FROM DECEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 MINUTES
9. POINTS RAISED from NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2018 CORRESPONDENCE
10. DECEMBER 2018/JANUARY 2019 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED
11. TO FINALISE the EMERGENCY PLAN
12. TEBWORTH POND
13. TO DISCUSS REPAIR of TODDINGTON ROAD NOTICE BOARD
14. ACCOUNTS-a) Cheques for Signature
15. HIGHWAYS ISSUES
16. COMMITTEE REPORTS
17. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA
18. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**MINUTES** of the meeting of Chalgrave Parish Council held on Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at Chalgrave Memorial Hall, Tebworth at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllr Jan Day; Cllr Ken Green; Cllr Debbie Levy; Cllr Kevin Ludgate; Cllr Phil Parry; Cllr Paul Whitton; Lesley Smith-Clerk.

**Also Present:** Ward Councillor Mark Versallion; Mr Steve Calder-Chalgrave Church

**Public present:** 0

### **Committees**

<b>Planning</b>	Cllr Levy-Chair	07931408697		
<b>Footpaths</b>	Cllr Green-Chair	874107	Cllr Levy	07931408697
<b>Website</b>	Cllr Green	874107		
<b>Speed Watch</b>	Mike Wells-Chair	877098	Cllr Levy	07931408697

### **Responsibilities**

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

#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Peter Warburton; Rev Linda Washington; Police

#### **2. MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 MEETING**

The minutes of the November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting were amended, approved and signed as correct by the chairman.

#### **3. SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

#### **4. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR VERSALLION**

- a) **Police.** Central Bedfordshire, Bedford Borough and Luton Borough Councils have received £8 million from central government for the police. However more is needed. Areas with airports usually receive special funding from the government but Luton doesn't. Cllr Versallion has queried why this is so.
- b) **Highways England (HE).** Cllr Versallion has spent time with HE to discuss the congestion and speed of traffic through Hockliffe. HE is doing its best with limited finance. They are publishing something this January but Cllr Versallion is not impressed with the proposals. He said that rerouting the traffic along the A505 and A4146 would be costly and Buckinghamshire County Council would have to be agreeable. If this were to happen the A5 would be detrunked and become the responsibility of CBC. Cllr Green commented that the increase in housing will increase the congestion.

#### **5. CHURCH REPORT from Steve Calder**

##### **a) Recent Events.**

- Almost 40 people attended a Harvest Lunch in October with most preparing and bringing food
- The fund-raising committee organised a Christmas themed afternoon tea. It was held on December 1<sup>st</sup> with over 50 diners attending. It included a secret auction and over all £900 was made on the day.

##### **b) Other News**

- The church has a new notice board. Send an email to [steve@usd.uk.com](mailto:steve@usd.uk.com) if you want to put something in it.
- St. Albans diocese has just written off an historic debt so the church is now debt free.
- There was a theft from a car in the church car park recently. Also there are cars unrelated to church using the car park during the day and late at night. The resident in one of the nearby houses has offered to have a key to lock and unlock the gate early morning and evening as he is keen to deter negative use of the car park.
- A large amount of rubbish has been dumped in Church Lane. \*

- Work on the new toilet starts in February.
- Weekly numbers are going up slightly to the low 20s.
- The Quintet Choir with members from Chalgrave are singing in 9 lessons and carols at Westoning, Toddington and Chalgrave.

c) **Services**

- Carols by Candlelight service was held on December 15<sup>th</sup>. There were nearly 80 attending.
- On December 16<sup>th</sup> Churches Together congregated on Toddington's village green at 4pm. This was a well-attended family event.
- Normal Sunday service on December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9 30am. All are welcome.
- Crib service on Christmas eve at 4 30pm.
- Midnight Mass service at 11.30pm on Christmas Eve.
- Joint holy communion on Christmas morning at St Georges, Toddington at 10am.

Finally Mr Calder thanked the PC for its continued support.

\* Cllr Ludgate said he would contact the police about the car park issues and the rubbish.

**KL**

## 6. **POLICE MATTERS**

a) **Crime figures.**

<b><u>Date and Time</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Incident</u></b>	<b><u>Police Action</u></b>
November '18	St Mary's Close, Tebworth	Criminal damage and arson	No suspect identified
November '18	Parkview Lane	Vehicle crime	No suspect identified

- b) **PC Jim Maden.** Email received giving the November crime figures and an offer to attend one of the next Speed Watch sessions. In correspondence.
- c) **Bedfordshire Police.** Details of the Priority Setting Meeting to be held at Dunstable Police Station at 6.30pm on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019. In correspondence.
- d) **Bedfordshire Police** has launched an operation to tackle thefts from vans. Information in correspondence.
- e) **Police and Crime Commissioner.** Monthly newsletter in correspondence.

## 7. **MATTERS ARISING FROM NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 MINUTES**

- a) **Emergency Planning.** There will be a meeting soon to finalise the plan. In progress. **All**
- b) **CBC Highways: Speed Limit Change to 20mph through Tebworth.** The contractor has the order and they are currently trying to programme the installation of the signs. Ongoing.
- c) **Houghton Regis Town Council.** Cllrs Parry and Whitton are agreeable to meeting with HR Town Council to discuss the problem of fly tipping. Cllrs to arrange a meeting. **PP; PW**
- d) **Chalgrave Memorial Hall.** Hiring agreement form. Clerk to complete. **Clerk**
- e) **Stealthcam.** The PC has agreed to buy a 'CCTV in operation' sign costing £52.61. In progress **Clerk**
- f) **Queen's Head Pub.** The PC has applied for the Queen's Head to be made a Community Asset again after the previous listing expired in May 2018. Follow up with CBC. **Clerk**

## 8. **POINTS RAISED on OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2018 CORRESPONDENCE**

Already discussed.

## 9. **NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2018 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

- a) **Highways England. M1 Jct 13-16 Smart Motorway Programme Update.** Information in correspondence.
- b) **London Green Belt Council**
- Chairman's annual report; in correspondence.
  - Minutes of the November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 AGM; in correspondence.
- c) **CPRE: State of the Green Belt 2018.** Power Point presentation in correspondence.
- d) **CPRE Bedfordshire**
- Living Countryside Awards 2018. In correspondence.
  - Bedfordshire Matters; Winter 2018 magazine in correspondence.
- e) **London Luton Airport.** Alberto Martin appointed as CEO of LLA. Information in correspondence.
- f) **BATPC.** Request for nominations to attend Buckingham Palace Garden Party.

## 10. TEBWORTH POND

An agreement has almost been agreed. The PC has agreed to all the respondent's requests apart from one, which the PC does not have the power to do otherwise it would be acting ultra vires. The PC is waiting for his response. In progress.

## 11. TODDINGTON ROAD NOTICE BOARD

The notice board has worked loose in the ground. Cllr Whitton will investigate.

**PW**

## 12. ACCOUNTS

a) **Cheques for Signature.** The following cheque has been approved and signed:

<u>Chq No:</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
1137	Phil Parry	Chairman's expenses 2018	77.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>77.00</b>

## 13. PRECEPT

After discussion **Cllr Parry proposed, seconded by Cllr Levy**, that the precept be raised by 2% to £7,361. **Unanimously resolved.** The current rate of inflation is 2.4%

## 14. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- a) **Gulleys.** Report overflowing gully opposite the Queen's Head, Tebworth to HW. The PC is concerned that the corner will become icy if we have freezing temperatures. **Clerk**
- b) **Trees opposite 72 Wingfield Road.** The PC will review the verge opposite 72 Wingfield Road in the spring.
- c) **Lamp opposite Heath Farm, Wingfield.** Report faulty lamp to HW. **Clerk**

## 15. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) **Planning**

i. Applications

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Proposed work</u>	<u>PC comments</u>	<u>CBC decision</u>
18/04075	New Farm, Tebworth Road, Wingfield	Replacement stables that were destroyed by fire	No objections	To be decided
18/04464; 18/04465/LB	The Plough, Wingfield	Replacement of rear additions with new larger rear extensions. Extension of existing bar	No objections	To be decided

b) **Footpaths**

- i. Brian Harwood from CBC has surveyed some of the footpaths. Cllr Green is due to meet with him soon. **KG**

c) **Speed Watch**

- i. Two Speed Watches have been carried out this month. The next ones will be in January 2019.
- ii. Speed Watch training for volunteers on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019

d) **Website**

NALC; information on the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 in correspondence.

## 16. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

Emergency Plan

## 17. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 20.50

Signed by Chairman.....

Dated.....

