

Cholsey Parish Council

MINUTES

Meeting	Wednesday 5 th June 2019 in the Pavilion, Station Road, Cholsey
Chair	Mr M Gray
Attendees	Mrs P. Turner, Mrs M. Dyer-Lynch, Mrs I Neill, Mrs V Artene, Mrs V. Bolt, Mr P. Jenkins, Mr C Worley, and Mr D Bamford. Three members of the public.
Apologies	Mr D Seed, Mrs G Herbert and Mr J Hope-Smith

24	To co-opt members to the council Mr Gray proposed Mr J Hope-Smith as a member of the council						
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25	To hear questions or comments from members of the public Mr Sheldon asked if there had been a change to the burial ground cutting and reported an overgrown hedge. He also noted that the access to Ilges Lane allotments is overgrown						
26	To receive any reports from County and/or District Councillors Mr Gray reported that there was a great deal of excitement surrounding the women's cycle race that is coming through the county. It is claimed it will bring £2m into Oxfordshire in one day. Social workers have noted an increase in vulnerable people being recruited as drug mules. £3.5b is to be spent on highways improvements. Mr Gray has put forward Westfield Road, Papist Way and the corner in South Moreton as in need of urgent work. The County Council and Oxford City Council are to join forces to run the Park and Rides. There were no reports from the District Councillors.						
27	To receive Declarations of Pecuniary Interest for any agenda items. There were none.						
28	To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 15th May 2019 The minutes of the meeting held on 6 th March were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.						
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29	To report matters arising from:						
a)	The minutes of 15th May 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cllr Turner asked if the meeting with the developers had taken place. Mr Seed reported that Bellway wish to present to the Parish Council at the July meeting. Concerns were raised that the Neighbourhood Plan group has acted outside of their remit. It was noted that the Neighbourhood Plan Housing steering group should be clear and transparent in their work. It was agreed to seek advice as to whether the steering group should continue as it was felt the developers should now be talking with the Parish Council. - A group has been meeting to discuss building a skatepark. - Mrs Dyer-Lynch has not yet had an opportunity to leaflets on parked cars but is reporting number plates of offending cars to the developers. - Mrs Neill reported there has been movement in cladding the cricket container at Cholsey Meadows. - Mr Bamford thanked Mr Gray for dealing with the road problems at Celsea Place. 						
b)	The Action Point Register 18/12 – 219 The contractor is due to give a quote for dealing with the car park 18/27 – 178 The Clerk has confirmed that Lapwing Lane is part of the weed control contract. 19/02 192 Church Road Notice Board – on handyman's list.						
30	To discuss a request from a resident to keep bees The matter was discussed and it was agreed to give permission to keep bees in a corner allotment at Ilges Lane for a year's trial period.						

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31	<p>To agree a donation of £1000 from reserves to COPA to enable them to employ a worker Mr Gray reported that COPA are extremely busy and need the support of an employed worker. He will be adding £1000 from his County Councillor Priority Fund. The matter was discussed and Mrs Turner proposed the donation.</p>					
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32	<p>To agree a donation of £750 from reserves towards the employment of an Environmental Coordinator It was reported that Chelsey's tomorrow would also be contributing towards the cost of employing the coordinator. Mr Worley asked if the requirement was as urgent as for COPA? Mr Gray feels that someone is needed for four hours per week to coordinate the various interested groups. Mrs Bolt didn't think the money should come from reserves but appreciated that the work needs to be got off the ground before the next financial year. Mr Gray proposed £750 be donated towards the employment of an Environmental Coordinator.</p>					
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33	<p>Footpath project Update Mr Gray reported that there was no specific amount of money to spend on this project has suggested that Mr Worley and Mr Seed survey the state of the paths in Chelsey as a starting point. It is hoped money can be found from the CIL, budget and County Councillor Priority Fund. Street lights will not form part of the survey as they are all due to be replaced with LEDs. Mr Worley and Mr Seed will survey the paths and also report overgrown hedges.</p>					
34	<p>Community Infrastructure Levy Report The list from the Neighbourhood Plan was reviewed. It was agreed the list was too long to discuss as part of a Parish Council meeting and it was agreed to form a working party to agree priorities Updates will be publicised through The Forty Magazine.</p>					
35	<p>To review the plans for the Happy Hub Extension Mr Gray explained the plans which include accessing the changing rooms from the outside of the building, providing an outdoor store the handyman, enclosing the air source heat pumps and providing space for the Happy Hub. A small adaptation to the play area will be needed. Mrs Turner, Mr Gray and the Happy Hub Team Leader will form a committee to take the plans forward. Mr Worley asked if the Chapel at Fairmile had been considered as an alternative. Mrs Bolt confirmed it had but the running costs and conversion expenses would have been prohibitive. The problem of the smell from the showers was discussed.</p>					
36	Planning					
	P19/S1467/FUL	Use of land as garden. 2 Hithercroft Cottages Mr Jenkins reported that the owners wish to formalise/legalise their position. Mr Gray proposed no objection subject to a condition that the land should not be developed.				
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	P19/S1389/HH	Extensions Wellfields House Mr Jenkins took council through the proposal. There have been objections from neighbours as the proposal butts up against the Bungalow and overlooks the garden with numerous windows. Mr Jenkins proposed objecting due to the unneighbourly and overbearing nature of the proposal.				
	Proposed	Mr Jenkins	Seconded	Mr Gray	Carried	Unanimously
	P19/S1585/FUL	4 detached houses. Land to rear 31 West End. Outline permission has already been granted for three houses which the Parish Council objected to. A neighbour				

	reported her objections to the proposal. The proposal was discussed comprehensively. Mr Jenkins proposed objection.				
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Finance

PAYMENTS			
Virgin Media Payments Ltd	Phone and Internet	200007	£71.22
Champion and Co	Materials	200008	£26.19
Balanced	Payroll	200009	£54.00
Hawthorn Pest Control	Pest Control	200010	£140.00
Nick Robins Ltd	Grass Cutting	200011	£1,170.00
Swift Digital services	Photocopier Contract	200012	£159.51
HMRC	PAYE & NI	200013	£128.55
Cholsey Library	Grant	200014	£2,900.00
Cholsey Youth Club	Grant	200015	£2,200.00
			£6,849.47

AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS			
Nest	Pension Contributions	DD	£68.27
Staff	Staff Salaries	DD	£5,726.65
			£5,794.92

PAYMENTS MADE BETWEEN MEETINGS			
Grundon waste management	Waste Collection		£ 72.04
Nick Robins	Grass Cutting		£ 510.00
Came and Company	Insurance		£ 1,678.21
P Ramsay	Neighbourhood Plan Expenses		£ 594.19
			£ 2,854.44

PAYMENTS RECEIVED			
Chadwick	Burial Fees		£650.00
Reynolds	Vendor Fee		£53.75
SODC	CIL		£38,173.94
Residents	Allotment Fees		£198.00
TOTAL			£39,075.69

CURRENT ACCOUNT		
Current Account Balance to date		£47,644.69

RESERVES ACCOUNT		
Reserves Account Balance to date		£38,186.64

PROJECTS ACCOUNT						
Projects Account Balance to date						£119,637.59
<p>Projects Account = £25577.18 - non earmarked £334.92 - Skate Park £1342.36 - Cemetery - walls, paths etc £4,122.69 - Play equipment £88123.40 - CIL Payments</p>						
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38	<p>To receive the Estate Manager's report for May The Estate Managers report was noted.</p>					
39	<p>To receive list of recent correspondence and Publications and Notices The request from SODC for suggestions of areas in need of a deep clean was noted. Councillors suggested Wallingford Road, The Forty, Crescent Way and St Georges Close.</p>					
40	<p>To receive news items or updates from the Chair There is a skate park meeting on Monday. COPA are holding a Tea Dance on June 23rd.</p>					
41	<p>To receive Councillors' Incident Reports and Items for future agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mrs Dyer-Lynch reported several overgrown hedges. - Mrs Bolt reported the church path needs to be treated with weedkiller. - The hedge at the tennis courts needs to be cut back. - The pothole in the Pavilion drive needs to be marked. - The pledges in the Neighbourhood Plan to be discussed 					

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9.45 pm.