

CHILDSWICKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Childswickham Annual Parish Meeting held at the Memorial Hall on Thursday 29th May 2014 at 7.15. Present were Cllr's Mrs M Watts, Ms K Badham, Mr Halling (Chairman) and Mr Patrick and Mrs Shields (Clerk).

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from District Councillor Mr B Parmenter, County and District Councillor Mrs E Eyre and Cllr C Pape, who were attending a meeting in Broadway. PCSO P Schoenrock, Cllrs N Green and A Parker.

2. Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held 29th April 2013.

The minutes of the meeting, having been previously circulated, were agreed as a true record and signed.

3. Chairman.

The council now has a full set of councillors, unfortunately Mrs Perry resigned, however Kelly Badham and Chris Pape had been co opted on to the council.

Cllr Alan Parker on behalf of the councillor had ordered a defibrillator, the cost of the machine, plus an 8 year warranty, a 7 year battery, an outdoor cabinet with an alarm and training for up to 8 people at a cost of £1,645 plus VAT. The Council has received £500.00, raised from the Memorial Hall (golf day), kindly donated by the Memorial Hall, and the Medieval Fayre, £100.00 from a local resident, £1,000.00 from the New Homes Bonus, which the clerk had applied to Wychavon for, and a local resident had kindly offered to cover any shortfall.

The council had written to the Chief Fire officer in support of keeping Broadway fire station open and had registered its support for Broadway Library Community Group. The diseased and wind damaged chestnut trees at the brook had been removed, the Council had order 'no dog fouling signs' and alerted the Community Warden to the increased problem of dog fouling on the footways within Childswickham.

The council agreed to keep the precept at the same rate to tax band D as last year; this will mean a decrease in the Councils Budget of £30.00 for the year.

Parishioners and the council are very concerned as to the work being carried at Leadon's Caravan Park, the park has a licence to construct further units on the site, the works are not covered by planning regulations, and therefore there are no statutory requirements for waste and grey water. The council has written to the E A and Severn Trent regarding its concerns and reminding them of the meeting they attended in April 2008.

Mr S Bullen spoke to the council on the following cycling issues.

- 1: Personal introduction and reference to documents previously circulated
- 2: The Evesham Town Plan Transport Group linking with local village communities.
- 3: Outcomes hoped for:

A parish councillor to "adopt" cycling & mobility scooters issues for Childswickham.

PC to encourage villagers to set up a working group to think through the issues and make recommendations

- 4: A plan for cycle and disability pathways from Childswickham to Evesham.

- 5: Promote a "family cycling is normal" culture within Childswickham.

The council had thanked Mr Gwilliam for his excellent achievements in keeping water flowing in the recent bad weather and for his work overall.

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4. Planning Report.

5. Finance Report.

	Precept 2013 -2014	To date 31.3.2014	Balance
<u>Receipts</u>			
Precept	£ 7,140.00	£ 6,694.00	-446.00
Grants	£ -	£ 1,446.00	1,446.00
Playground	£ -	£ -	0.00
Other		£ 645.00	645.00
Interest	£ 4.00	£ 7.96	3.96
	£ 7,144.00	£ 8,792.96	
<u>Payments</u>			
Staff Costs	2150.00	£ 2,156.82	-£6.82
Training	400.00	£ -	£400.00
Hall Hire	132.00	£ 143.00	-£11.00
Other Admin	400.00	£ 272.66	£127.34
Maintenance	500.00	£ 645.00	-£145.00
Grass	1400.00	£ 1,486.00	-£86.00
Insurance	720.00	£ 384.71	£335.29
Grants/Donations	400.00	£ 1,809.95	-£1,409.95
Subs	300.00	£ 274.98	£25.02
Fees	130.00	£ 100.00	£30.00
Speed Sign	500.00	£ 282.97	£217.03
	£ 7,032.00	£ 7,556.09	
<u>Play Area</u>			
Litter Pick		250.00	
Grant (from Cllr Eyre)		100.00	
Litter Pick		250.00	
Total		600.00	
<u>Lengthsman</u>			
Received from WCC		£1,925.00	
Paid		-£1,804.00	
		£121.00	
<u>Vat</u>			
Reclaimed from previous year		£425.39	
Paid		-£428.97	
		-£3.58	
<u>Back Reconciliation</u>			
Opening balance Current		£1,538.19	
Opening balance Saving		£15,207.41	
Balance to date		£1,354.29	
Unpaid from last year		-£242.00	
		£17,857.89	
Unpaid Cheques		£308.00	
Unpaid receipts		£0.00	
Total		£18,165.89	
<u>Bank Statements</u>			
Current Account		£1,025.52	
Saving		£17,140.37	
Total		£18,165.89	£ -

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6. District Councillors Report.

No Report.

7. County Councillor Report.

No report.

8. Police Report.

There have only been three telephone calls to West Mercia, none of which were of a criminal nature so I will not be attending this months meeting. My report is:-

"Since the last PC meeting, residents have made minimal requests to West Mercia resulting in no crimes being reported, I would like to take this opportunity though to remind residents of a scam circulating. Residents are contacted by someone purporting to be from their bank and that a internal fraud investigation is in progress within their local branch. The callers asks the resident to transfer their savings to a secure holding account set up for them by the caller and that they should not discuss the matter with the bank staff. Once the cash is transferred it disappears. This happened recently to a resident in Broadway and is currently under investigation"

Phil Schoenrock

Police Community Support Officer.

Evesham Rural South.

9. Questions from the Floor.

No questions were asked.

Followed by Childswickham Annual Parish Council Meeting.

Present Cllr's Mrs M Watts, Ms K Badham, Mr Halling (Chairman) and Mr Patrick.

In Attendance Mrs Shields (Clerk).

1. Election of Chairman.

Cllr Patrick proposed, Cllr Watts seconded and it was agreed to elect Cllr Halling as Chairman.

2. Apologies for Absence.

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3. Election Of Vice Chairman.

Cllr Watts proposed, Cllr Halling seconded and it was agreed to elect Cllr Patrick as Vice Chairman.

4. Declaration of Interests.

Councillors were reminded to update their registers of interest and to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) and their nature.

Cllr Patrick registered an ODI, as a friend, in item 12a (i).

5. Minutes Of Childswickham Parish Council Meeting Held On 24th April 2014.

The minutes of the meeting, having been previously circulated, were agreed as a true record and signed.

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6. To Appoint Members To The Following

- a. Staffing group – Cllr's Mr Halling, Mrs Watts and Mr Green.
- b. Planning Working Party – Cllr's Mr Patrick, Mr Parker and Mr Pape.
- c. Clerks Finance Support Group - Cllr Ms Badham.

7. To Appoint Individual Officers To The Following Roles.

- a. Worcestershire Parish Councils Association – Cllr Mr Patrick.
- b. Emergency Officer – Cllr Mr Halling.
- c. Press Officer – Cllr Mrs Watts.
- d. PACT – Mr Brazier.

8. Finance.

- a) To Consider Invoices for Payment.

The Council agreed the following items for payment:-

Clerks SO 180.18, S Gwilliam £227.50, H Ebrey £257.00, Clerks Expenses £104.33, M Parkinson £90.00, W Calc £329.62.

- b) Financial Report.

Was presented to the council.

9. To Approve the Accounts for 2013/2014.

The Council approved the Accounts, having been audited by Mr C Ikpeme, the Councils' appointed internal auditor.

10. To Review The Councils Standing Order, Financial Regulations, Risk Assessment And Insurance Requirements.

The council agreed that all were adequate apart from the Financial Regulations, Clerk to forward new regulations recommended by NALC.

11. Correspondence.

The council has received a response form the EA, however it did not really answer the question of Leedons, clerk to write again.

No response had been received form Severn Trent.

The County Council Highways Department had provided Maps of water and Foul sewers with in Childswickham.

12. Planning.

- a. For Consideration.

- I. W/14/00900/PP Rivendell, Broadway Road, Childswickham. Extension and alteration to existing dwelling. Cllr Martin took no part in the decision. The council objects to the application for the following reasons:-

Dormer Windows

These proposed windows extend right across the rear of the property are out of proportion to the scale of the dwelling and will be out of character with neighbouring properties. They will be conspicuous from the rear but particularly to the neighbouring property where they threaten their privacy.

Elsewhere in the village there are examples of extensions into the roof space that have used Velux windows to preserve the roof line and these would be more in character and less obtrusive.

Side extension

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The proposal will come very close to the neighbouring dwelling, and could dominate its rear patio amenity simply by its proximity and height and cause shadow at certain times of the year.

The character of Broadway Rd in this location is large detached dwellings which has recently been preserved when the more recent houses were constructed, however, the close proximity of the side extension creates a 'terraced' effect because of the loss of the gap between the adjacent properties. This is out of keeping with the street scene.

We would welcome the applicants considering scaling down the proposed extension and appreciating character of the immediate neighbourhood.

- II. W/14/01029/PN Land off, Longdon Hill, Wickhamford. Installation of ground mounted photovoltaic solar arrays to provide circa 21 MW generation capacity together with power inverter systems; transformer stations; internal access track; landscaping; security measures, fencing, access gates, and associated infrastructure.

No objection.

- b. Decided by Wychavon.

W/14/00747/PP 10 Green Close, Childswickham. The installation of a conservatory to the rear of the property.

- c. Appeal Decision.

W/13/02264/PN Land Adj, Bungalow Farm, Murcot Road, Childswickham. The appeal is allowed and planning permission is granted for three new dwellings at Land adjoining Bungalow Farm.

13. Reports.

- a) Clerk.

Clerk report had been previously circulated.

- b) County Councillor.

- c) District Councillor.

- d) CALC.

- e) Doug Fouling.

Dog fouling signs had been purchased, Cllrs Badham, Halling and Watts to distribute.

- f) Defibrillator Signs.

Clerk had purchased signage for AED, Cllr Parker to organise.

14. Councillors Reports and Items For Future Agenda.

Financial Regulations, New Homes Bonus.

15. Date of Next Meeting.

26th June 2014.