

CHILDSWICKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Childswickham Parish Council Meeting held at The Memorial Hall on Thursday 29th April 2010 at 7:15 pm.

Present Cllr's Mr Halling (Chairman), Mrs Watts, Mr Bindoff, Dr Hughes and Mr Patrick.

In attendance Mrs J Shields (Clerk) and Mr Folkes (District Cllr).

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr Mr Slater and PC Greenhouse.

2. Declaration of Interests.

Cllr Watts is a volunteer for CAB.

3. Minutes Of Childswickham Parish Council Meeting Held On the 25th February 2010.

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

4. Invoices for Payment.

March - Lengthsman £176.00 and Clerks Expenses

April - H Ebrey £85.00, Worcs CALC £309.74, Memorial Hall £40.00, Lengthsman £176.00. Remittance £176.00

5. Correspondence.

The council agreed to donate £100.00 to the Citizens Advice Bureau; the Bureau has had its funding from Wychavon reduced by 50%. The council acknowledges that the CAB is a voluntary organisation that provides essential advice for parishioners, especially in today's economic climate. Cllr Watts abstained.

6. Reports

a) Clerk

Clerk to keep a separate record of Donations.

b) P C Greenhouse/PACT/Smartwater/Area Speed Camera.

The area speed camera is still ongoing; the sites have now been approved by the County Council. Cost savings are being explored further by the member.

PC Greenhouse is continuing to monitor the HGV ignoring the weight restriction and speeding. The council agreed for Mr P Brazier to continue as its representative for the PACT group.

c) Planning Reports.

For Consultation

W/10/00425/PP Chapel Cottage, Chapel Lane, Childswickham. Two story side extension. No Objections had been made.

Approved by Wychavon

W/10/00425/PP Chapel Cottage, Chapel Lane, Childswickham. Two story side extension.

W/09/02895/PP 21 New Street, Childswickham. Single Storey extension to rear (after variations).

W/10/00018/PP Millbrook Farm, Murcot Lane, Broadway. Single storey extension.

d) Finance/Clerks Finance Support Group.

The council has remained within its budget for the year and will continue to monitor spending for the next financial year.

e) Roads/Pathways.

Clerk to report potholes at Murcot Turn and the raised manhole cover outside the Childswickham Arms that has remained broken for several months.

f) Training.

Cllr's Patrick and Watts attended Councillor Training Sessions in March and will complete the "Be a better Councillor" in June.

g) Playing Fields.

Nothing to report.

h) Lengthsman.

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i) Emergency Officer.

Clerk to contact Cllr Slater regarding the purchase of emergency equipment.

j) County Councillor.

k) District Councillor.

7. Flood Update.

The Council noted that progress was slow in spite of District Council and Environmental Agency publicity to the contrary - Ongoing.

8. To Discuss Bank Signatories.

Cllr Patrick and Dr Hughes to be added as signatories.

9. To Consider Discuss Entering the Parish Games 2010.

The Council declined the opportunity to participate on the grounds that the village was too small and that effort was instead being put into the creation of the new cricket facilities.

10. To Consider Donation to "The Evergreens".

The council agreed to donate £100.00 to the "Evergreens".

11. To Discuss Continuation of the Lengthsman Scheme.

The council agreed to continue in the Lengthsman scheme, although funding has been reduced by the County Council to £1,871.00 this year. The Lengthsman contract will be limited by the threshold imposed by the County.

12. Items For Future Agenda.

Co Option of Councillor: Cllr Watts to supply a poster to be displayed on polling day, Clerk to provide application forms.

13. Date Of Next Meeting.

Annual Parish meeting followed by the Annual Parish Council meeting will take place on the 20th May at 7.15pm.