

## CHILDSWICKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Childswickham Parish Meeting held at the Memorial Hall on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 7.15pm.

Present Cllr's Mr Halling (Chairman), Mrs Watts and Mr Patrick.  
In attendance Mrs J Shields (Clerk).

### 1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr's Dr Hughes, Mrs Eyres (District and County), Mr Folkes (District) and PC Greenhouse.

### 2. Co Option of Councillor.

No applications had been received; the councillors present are concerned as to the continuation of the council if parishioners do not come forward.

### 3. Declaration of Interests.

None received.

### 4. Minutes Of Childswickham Parish Council Meeting Held On the 20<sup>th</sup> May 2010.

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

### 5. To Review Councils Standing Orders, Financial Regulation, Insurance and Risk Register.

All councillors will be sent a copy of the proposed Standing Orders, both electronically and by post. All councillors are requested to compare the new version with the old, and be prepared to comment at the next council meeting.

### 6. Invoices for Payment.

The following invoices were agreed for payment. Lengthsman £88.00, H Ebrey £185.00 and Wychavon DC (Playground Annual Inspection) £94.00.

### 7. Correspondence.

- (i) Thank you from the Evergreens and CAB for recent donation.
- (ii) The council is frustrated by the lack of progress in the Flood Elevation programme for Childswickham. Recent E Mail communication indicates that the scheme will not go ahead.
- (iii) Clerk to write to Cllr Eyre to request her presence at the next council meeting.
- (iv) The Council will not be proceeding with the E mail request to support 'Sustainable Energy Local Action Plan', as the future consequences for Childswickham are unclear.
- (v) Clerk to reply to the letter regarding 'Winter services for Season 2010/2011, identifying areas that are particularly prone to severe weather condition, current situations of grit bins, suggestions for further grit bins and for which new roads should be ploughed. Identifying local farmers etc that may suitable for snow clearance.
- (vi) The recent study of 'Village Facilities and Rural Transport Survey' is now available on the South Worcs Joint Core Strategy Website, [www.swis.org](http://www.swis.org) (publication link). The council questions the use of resources to produce the document.

### 8. Reports

- a) Clerk. No report.
- b) P C Greenhouse/PACT/Smartwater/Area Speed Camera.  
Progress to the VAS Scheme seems to have come to a stand still, the conclusion of councillors is that the County Council do not want this to progress.
- c) Planning Reports.  
Approval Notice.  
W/10/0060/PN Land Adjacent, Bungalow farm, Murcot Road, Childswickham. Single storey extension.  
AB/10/00939/AB White Chapel Orchards, Murcot Turn. In May the council expressed its concerns for the approval of this application in the minutes and to the Planning Department. There is already damage to the road surface and many apple trees have been removed.
- d) Finance/Clerks Finance Support Group. No report.
- e) Roads/Pathways.  
Clerk to report a pothole at Murcot Hill, where the brook goes under the road.
- f) Training.  
Cllr Watts had attended the recent Cllr training event.

- g) Playing Fields.  
The recent report has shown that the chains to the swings will need attention in the future, the Clerk was asked to write to the Trustees of the Playground for permission to add play facilities for the 10 -15 age group.
- h) Lengthsman.  
Lengthsman to be asked to attend to the ivy on the Apple tree in the play area and to cut back the greenery overhanging on to the footway along Broadway Road at the back of Green Close.
- i) Emergency Officer. Nothing to report, Clerk asked to remind Cllr Slater of the emergency kit.
- j) County Councillor.  
Report was circulated to all councillors and placed on the Villager Website. See 7 iii.
- k) District Councillor.

**9. Items For Future Agenda.**

Changes to Licensing Laws, Clerk to forward information to the Memorial Hall Committee and ask for their comment.

Maintenance and Upgrade of Playing Field.

**10. Date Of Next Meeting.**

29<sup>th</sup> July 2010