

# CHILDSWICKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of Childswickham Annual Parish Meeting at the Memorial Hall at 6.pm on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

PRESENT Mr A Halling (Chairman), Mr T Ramsbottom and Mr J Wade.

IN ATTENDANCE Ms J Shields (Clerk.

## Report from the Chairman of the Parish Council.

Mays Annual meeting was held at the end of April to enable the meeting to be held via Zoom as the legislation, allowing councils to meet this way for 20/21 was not extended. Due to Covid the July meeting was postponed and January 2022 was limited to the essentials.

I was re-elected to Chairman and Tim has been Vice Chair, sadly Lyndsay, Ralph and Alan left the council and Pam was co-opted in September. The other members Sarah and Jon have remained and I would like to thank them all for their commitment this last year. A special thanks to Sarah for giving the PC a 'face' on social media

Cllr Folsom- Harrison had compiled a Risk Assessment for the Playing Field, the Playing Field has been inspected and only a few minor items require attention. The council is proposing to ask Parishioner's for their help in the upkeep of this area. A tree Inspection was carried out and the Apple Tree was identified as needing attention, this work has been carried out. A parishioner brought to the attention of the council a Chestnut tree, this has been thoroughly investigated and no action needs to be taken by the council.

The council has asked for a new dog bin in the Buckland Road. The council is concerned regarding the speed of vehicles through the village, the VAS is gathering data which is being collated by Cllr Wade. A representative from the council has attended meetings held by Sedgeberrow PC regarding the A46. Various planning applications have been received on agricultural land that has been recently been sold, the council is concerned and will be monitoring. A recent unauthorised entrance is being investigated by Enforcement Officers at Wychavon.

The council agreed to set the precept at £8,339.00, and it will mean an increase of 5% or £1.08 a year increase on a tax band D household, this slight increase will be used to enhance the playing field. The council will be continuing with the Lengthsman scheme and I would like to thank Brian Arrowsmith for his work in the village. Mr Hawkins and Mr Newbury will continue to cut the grass in the parish and I would also like to thank them

A party for the Jubilee is being organised by Parishioner's and the council agreed a donation and also to facilitate a donation from County Councillor, Liz Eyre.

Followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

### 1. Election Of Chairman.

Cllr Wade proposed, Cllr Ramsbottom seconded and it was agreed to elect Cllr Halling as Chairman. The chairman signed the declaration of office.

### 2. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr's P Folsom-Harrison, S Lewis, County and District Cllr Mrs E Eyre and District Councillor N Robinson.

### 3. Election of Vice Chairman.

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Cllr Halling proposed, Cllr Wade seconded and it was agreed to elect Cllr Ramsbottom 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.

## 5. Minutes Of Childswickham Parish Council Meeting Held Thursday 3th March 2022.

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

## 6. To Review The Following :-

- a. Standing Order.  
There has been no changes in legislation.
- b. Financial Regulations.  
There has been no changes in legislation.
- c. Code of Conduct.  
Deferred to the next meeting.
- d. Risk Assessment.

The council accepted the Councils Risk Assessment reviewed by Cllr Lewis.

The Risk Assessment of the Playing field had been revised within the last 12 months.

## 7. To Appoint Members To The Following - All appointments deferred to July's meeting.

- a. Staffing group.
- b. Planning Working Party.
- c. Clerks Finance Support Officer.
- d. Play Area Group.

## 8. To Appoint Individual Officers To The Following Roles –

All appointments deferred to July's meeting.

- a. Worcestershire Parish Councils Association.
- b. Emergency Officer.
- c. Press Officer.

## 9. Finance.

- a. To ratify payments made between meetings.

B Arrowsmith	Lengthsman	£252.00
J Shields	Back Pay	£112.80
Hope Trees	Apple Tre	£276.00

- b. To Consider Invoices for Payment.

The Council agreed the following items for payment;-

B Arrowsmith	Lengthsman March	£156.00
B Arrowsmith	Weedkiller	£70.00
M Newberry	Grass Cutting	£870.00
R Hawkins	Grass cutting	£110.00
W CALC	Subs	

- c. Financial Report.

Due to the increase in the amount of funds from Worcs. County Council for the Lengthsman Scheme, the council agreed to increase the hourly rate to the Lengthsman to £14.00.

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Report had been circulated.

The following remittance had been received:-

WCC	Lengthsman	£252.00
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WDC	Precept	

## 10. Correspondence.

Resignation received from Lyndsay Palmer, Chairman thanked her for her support, and clerk to inform Wychavon.

Six parishioners had volunteered to be part of the 'Friends of the Playing Field'. An informal meeting with some of the volunteers will take place after this meeting.

## 11. To Receive The Report Form The Internal Auditor 2021/2022.

On the basis of the internal audit work carried out, in my view the council's system of internal controls in place are adequate for the purpose intended and effective.

Andrew M Rhodes

26/04/2022.

## 12. To Approve The Governance Statement For 2021/2022.

The council agreed the Governance Statement and the chairman signed the form.

## 13. To Approve The Accounts For 2021/2022.

The council agreed the Accounts and the chairman signed the form.

## 14. Planning.

a. For Consideration.

W/22/00821/FUL Lower Murcot Farm Murcot Lane Broadway WR12 7HS. The council has no planning reason to object.

b. To Ratify The Comments For Applications and Appeals Submitted Since The Last Meeting.

i. W/22/00655/FUL Childswickham Memorial Hall Atkinson Street. The council has no planning reason to object.

ii. W/22/00093/FUL The Barn Evesham Road Broadway. The council has no planning reason to object.

iii. W/22/00591/HP White Chapel Orchards At (OS 0728 4031) Murcot Turn Broadway. No comment made.

iv. W/22/00430/HP Helenca Broadway Road Childswickham. The parish council has no planning reason to object to this application.

c. Decided by Wychavon.

Approved.

I. 21/01331/CU Land At (Os 0808 3881) Pennylands Bank Broadway

II. W/22/00430/HP Helenca Broadway Road Childswickham

III. 21/01331/CU - Land At (Os 0808 3881) Pennylands Bank Broadway

d. Going to Planning Committee.

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## 15. Reports.

a. Clerk.

An unauthorised entrance in Murcot Road was reported to planning, Ref no W/ENF/22/0155.

End or year accounts were completed, circulated to Cllrs and given to external auditor.

PAYE was completed and returned.

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Annual Lengthsman Agreement was completed and returned  
Pension Regulator form was completed on line.

b. County Councillor.

Report circulated.

c. District Councillor.

Report circulated.

d. Police Report.

None received, however there has been a visible police presence in the village.

e. Speeding – VAS

Cllr Wade had circulated the VAS Data.

f. Playing field.

Clerk to circulate the details of the goal posts and order.

### **16. Councillors Reports and Items For Future Agenda.**

The pads for defibrillator have been replaced at a cost of £124.80.

To consider a donation to the Broadway Magazine for distribution in Childswickham.

### **17. To Agree The Dates Of The Meetings 2022/2023.**

2022 - 7<sup>th</sup> July, 8<sup>th</sup> September, 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

2023 - 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 4<sup>th</sup> May