

# CHILDSWICKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Childswickham Parish Council held at The Memorial Hall on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at 7.15pm.

Present Cllr's Mr Halling (Chairman), Mrs Read, Miss Brigden, Mrs Watts, Mrs Perry and Mr Patrick.  
In attendance Mrs J Shields (Clerk) and Mrs S Stephenson

In the session open to the public prior to the formal meeting Mrs Stevenson brought to the attention of the council the following items.

- The bus service into the village has been discontinued; Mrs Stevenson had spoken to Worcestershire County Council Transport and had been advised to write to Mr P Luff (MP) and Mrs E Eyres regarding the lack of service. Mrs Stevenson approached N.N. Creswell regarding a service; they have agreed to provide a twice weekly service (Tuesday and Friday) from Childswickham for a six months probationary period. It is hoped that this will start on the 6th December, after permission is granted from the Traffic Commissioner.
- Speeding on the Hinton Road. Speeding through the village was an ongoing issue, once the council has collected the readings from the speed sign for a year it will report the findings to the county council in the hope that action will then be taken.
- Gritting of the Hinton Road. The Chairman informed Mrs Stevenson that the council has been campaigning for many years to have all routes into the village gritted.
- Irresponsible parking by the Childswickham Arms and in householders Atkinson Street. The council has no powers over the parking of vehicles it is either a police or Highways (County Council) concern.

The Chairman on behalf of the parishioners thanked Mrs Stevenson for her actions regarding the proposed bus service by N N Creswell.

## **1. Apologies for Absence.**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr E Eyres (District and County), Mr Parmenter (District) and PC Greenhouse.

## **2. Declaration of Interests.**

Councillors were reminded to update their register of interests. Cllr Read declared a prejudicial interest in item 4c and Cllr Perry a prejudicial interest in item 8a(i), both left the room whilst the items were discussed and took no part in the decision.

## **3. To Consider the Adoption of the Minutes Of the Meeting Held On 27<sup>th</sup> October 2011.**

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

## **4. Finance.**

a) To Consider Invoices for Payment.

The following invoices were approved for payment:-

Lengthsman £132.00, H Ebrey £104.00, M Parkinson £90.00 and B and S Chains £138.00

b) Financial Report.

Remittance WCC Lengthsman £308.00.

Finance report was presented to the council

c) To Consider A Donation To The Friends Of St Marys School, Broadway.

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Cllr Halling proposed, Cllr Brigdon seconded and it was agreed to donate £75.00 to friends of St Marys School. The council had also received a letter asking for a donation to the Volunteer Centre in Evesham, the council agreed to donate £75.00 to the centre, leaving a balance of £50.00 in case of further requests for donations before the end of the financial year.

## 5. Correspondence.

Sports Relief Mile for Comic relief – Clerk to ask for further information.

Inside out West Midlands – Clerk to advise that the bus service has been discontinued, how ever parishioners and the Council are exploring ways of obtaining a limited service.

## 6. To Consider The Purchase Of Further Grit Bins.

The council agreed to give the Chairman the authority to order two large builders bags of Salt/grit if the need arises before the next meeting. One to be sited near the crossroads by the Childswickham Arms the other in Twitchams Lane. The salt will be available to all villagers on an as needed basis.

## 7. Bunches Brook Bund Fund Raising Update.

The proposed letter to all residents will not be ready for distribution before Christmas; the end of January is a more realistic date. This will cause the time frame for raising the funds to be shortened which may put further pressure on the ability to raise the amount.

## 8. Planning

a. For Consideration.

W/11/02415 Mount Pleasant Farm, Hinton Road, Childswickham. Retrospective application for first floor extension. No Objection.

W/11/02229 Leedons Park, Childswickham Road, Broadway. Demolition of existing facilities buildings and erection of new leisure facility comprising swimming pool and hall, new outside bowling green and service building and work shops with associated storage yard.

b. Decided by Wychavon.

Approved By Wychavon.

W/11/01529/PN Hillend, Mount Pleasant, Childswickham Demolition of existing bungalow and new replacement dwelling

## 9. Reports

a) Clerk.

b) P C Greenhouse/PACT.

Mr P Brazier supplied a report for the council with the following issues

Speeding, The Future of Local Policing and small tree blocking vision at the junction of Broadway and Murcot Road.

Speeding is ongoing – Clerk to order more 30mph stickers, to write to the resident regarding the tree and to inform Mr Brazier that the Council is more than happy for him to continue.

c) Vehicle Activated Speed Sign.

Clerk to ask for the sign to be calibrated to 40mph through Childswickham on its next visit. Clerk to find out what speed the sign was calibrated at on its recent visits.

d) Highways.

e) Playing Fields.

The new chains for the swings had arrived and Mr M Perry had volunteered to put them up.

f) County Councillor.

g) District Councillor.

h) Bus Shelter.

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The Council is awaiting a 'License' that would allow the structure to be erected in the highway before the work could proceed.

**10. Items for Future Agenda.**

To Commemorate the Jubilee.

**11. Date Of Next Meeting.**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2012.