

CHILDSWICKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Childswickham Parish Council Meeting held at The Memorial Hall, Childswickham on Thursday 26th March 2015.

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

In Attendance Mrs Shields (Clerk) and Mr A Childs,

1. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr's Mr N Green, Mr C Pape, and Cllr L Eyre (District and County) and Cllr B Parmenter (District and PCSO P Schoenrock).

2. Declaration of Interests.

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

3. Minutes Of Childswickham Parish Council Meeting Held On the 26th February 2015.

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 Council agreed the following items for payment: - Lengthsman Feb 2015 £176.00, Maurice Parkinson £90.00,

b) Financial Report.

The financial report was presented to the council.

The following remittance have been received; - VAT reclaim £74.11, Lengthsman £176.00.

c) To Consider Continuing with the Lengthsman Scheme.

The council agreed to continue with the scheme, clerk to sign and return form to Worcestershire County Council and to send a new contract to Mr Gwilliam.

5. Correspondence.

- The clerk had been notified by Wychavon of an unauthorised caravan on agricultural land at Murcot, being used for residential purposes, which is to be removed. The old caravan may remain as it is being used for storage.
- Pooling of water at the side of the road by Bungalow Farm in Murcot Road has been reported to highways, the following has been received from WCC Highways.
"This drainage problem has been logged and passed onto to the local work drainage team for further investigation and consideration for the best course of action to take to resolve this problem".
- Inconsiderate parking of vehicles from Willow Farm, around the crossroads of Buckland Road, Murcot Road and Broadway Road, has been reported to highways as damage is being caused to the verges and the road is blocked to large vehicle.
- Nomination papers were handed to councillors for the forthcoming Parish Council Elections.
- An Article will placed in the villager asking parents to be responsible for ensuring that when their child walks a dog they pick up any waste matter.

6. To Consider A Parish Council Website.

The council concluded that to have its own website would be an unnecessary expense.

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Cllr Parker will investigate further a council 'Facebook page', however careful consideration would be needed as to how would administer the site.

7. To Consider Further Defibrillator Training.

The council agreed to fund further training, clerk to investigate "funding First Aid courses supplied by the late Arthur Smith of Bretforton" and pass on to Cllr Parker, if this is unsuccessful then the quote by the Red Cross will be accepted.

An article will be placed in the Villager for volunteers to participate in the course.

A notice supplied by the Chairman will be placed in the hall showing where the defibrillator is and a running article will be placed in the villager informing the parishioners where it is situated.

8. To Discuss Long Term Plans For Childswickham.

Deferred until after the election.

9. To Discuss How 106 Monies Could Be Used In The Parish.

Clerk to ask Cllr Eyre for further information and to ask for her attendance at the next meeting.

10. Planning.

a. For Consideration.

I. W/14/02065/CU - Murcot Turn Business Park, Murcot Turn, Broadway.

In considering this application, the Parish Council would draw your attention to the conditions of the earlier planning permission about hours of operation and various conditions relating to management, access/ egress into the estate. Numerous objections were made by local residents in the immediate area, and these are as relevant now as then. It appears that none of their concerns have been considered as the application is in the same format as per W/14/00807/PN.

The entrance drive of Murcot Lane is narrow and there are often blockages at peak times into and out of the site, large vehicles have difficulty turning into the drive off the highway and this is particularly so for the waste management/ collection system whereby the collection wagons are too large to enter the site easily and there has been destruction of the curbs and adjacent drives next to the estate entrance and this has caused aggravation to the adjoining residents.

The permitted opening hours causes congestion particularly in a morning which is a nuisance to local residents.

The proposal will not only reduce the amount of parking for employees / customers/ visitors to the site but place greater need for additional space and this has the potential to spill out into the highway and block that road.

The T junction on the A44 is a notorious one with poor visibility caused by trees and shrubs on The Driffold from Broadway.

The original planning consent was B1c Class uses but there has been car sales taking place for some time without any intervention from the planning authority.

The proposal includes uses including car repairs and workshops which are notoriously bad neighbours for the immediate residential properties.

II. W/15/00336/GPMB - White Chapel Orchards, Murcot Turn.

Consistent with all previous applications for residential development outside the village boundary we point out that we objected to the application for a new agricultural building in 2010; this building, now less than 5 years old is being claimed to be redundant, which is ridiculous, it is modern and fit for the purpose it was originally designed for.

The application makes reference to a camping ground; we are unsure of when this has actually taken place as no one can recall see anyone using the orchards for caravanning and camping.

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We draw the DCs attention to an application made in the last 2 years for a house on the Murcot bank which was refused, as should this application for the same reasons.

This is an attempt at planning via the backdoor - the surrounding area is in productive agricultural use and the location is remote from the village envelope, without any local facility and so completely unsustainable. The existing building is conspicuous on the bank leading up to the A44 ridge, and should not have been built except for the agricultural connection it claimed - which is now alleged to be redundant.

b. Decided by Wychavon.

Approved by Wychavon

W/15/00325/PP - The Nottage, Evesham Road, Broadway.

W/14/02753/PN - Land Adjacent, Bungalow Farm, Murcot Road.

c. Withdrawn

W/15/00336/GPMB - White Chapel Orchards, Murcot Turn.

11. Reports.

a) Clerk.

Report circulated.

b) County Councillor.

c) District Councillor.

d) Police Report.

I will not be attending Thursday's meeting but if duties permit my new boss PC Luke Ganderton may.

However, having trawled back to 22nd Feb 2015 we had 4 calls for Police assistance from residents of Childswickham and Murcot which resulted in one offence of criminal damage to a motor vehicle being recorded .

Again, residents can obtain practical and free crime prevention advice via the web site Warwickshire Rural Watch which had numerous suggestions to reduce the risk of crime. West Mercia Police and Warwickshire Police support this website.

e) Chestnut tree.

On going.

f) New Homes Bonus.

Cllr Patrick will order five fruit trees. The bench had been delivered.

12. Councillors Reports and Items For Future Agenda.

13. Date of Next Meeting.

Annual Parish Meeting followed by parish council meeting Thursday 30th April 2015.

Apologies were received from Cllr Badham.