

CHOLESBURY-CUM-ST LEONARDS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held in St Leonard's Parish Hall on Monday 28th April 2014 at 8pm

Present: Cllrs Allen, Blomfield, Brown, Matthews, Minting and Sanger.

Also present: County Cllr Birchley, Mrs Lewis (Clerk) and eight members of the public.

1470) To receive apologies for absence
District Cllr Rose.

1471) Matters arising
None.

1472) To receive declarations of interest
None.

1473) Questions from members of the public

County Cllr Birchley spoke on the current activities of the County Council in its opposition to HS2, which was receiving its second reading in the commons today. The bill is expected to be passed, but the County Council is focussing its efforts on limiting the effects of the construction phase on roads and improving compensation arrangements for affected residents. County Cllr Birchley also announced that the County Council had been decorated with awards in several sectors and was introducing a new public health scheme providing walk-in health checks in order to achieve more early diagnoses of a variety of conditions, which, if found later, are harder to treat. County Councillor Birchley also informed the meeting that the LAT teams would be attending to the potholes in Cholesbury Lane, Little Twye, Bottom Road and Parrots Lane in the near future. It was commented by Cllr Allen that the said works had been delayed for several months already and that when work is carried out it is often of poor quality. Specifically, Cllr Birchley was requested to follow up on when the patching and planing of Cholesbury Lane from the school to Rays Hill will be carried out and also when the "Super-Sucker" machine will be available to alleviate the flooding problem at the bottom of Sandpit Hill, as this is making road condition very dangerous.

The members of the public present all expressed their support for planning application CH/2014/0572/OA, namely the change of use of the J&L Coach Park to residential use. The main reason for this was the number of coaches on the narrow country roads, at all times of the day and night, with in particular the double-deckers driving in the middle of the roads in order to avoid the trees. Cllr Allen encouraged members of the public to voice their opinions to the relevant planning officer.

1474) Questions to the Chairman

Cllr Brown suggested that the Chairman of Governors of Hawridge & Cholesbury C of E School be invited to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting.

Cllr Brown also suggested that the council look into what commemorative activities are planned in the Parish to remember the outbreak of WWI.

1475) To approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council

It was resolved to approve the minutes from the Meeting of the Council on 24th March 2014 and the planning meeting of 9th April 2014.

1476) Reports

(a) *Clerk's Report*: The report was received from Mrs Lewis (see attached). It was agreed that the cost of the internal auditor will be agreed by the council outside of the meeting. It was also agreed that HL should proceed with organising the purchase of the Lifebox AED Case.

(b) *LAF*: Cllr Brown informed the meeting that the next LAF meeting is mid June.

(c) *Rural Policing Group*: Cllr Brown will attend a meeting on 29/4/14.

(d) *Turpin Charity*: No news.

1477) Finance

(a) Payments were approved as follows: Chiltern District Council (dog-bin emptying 2013-14) £559.73; the Clerk's salary (for March & April); Frank Brown & Son (hedgcutting at the allotments) £46.80; ICO (Data Protection Registration) £35.00; Membership to the Chiltern Society (£25.00); payment of invoice from Mr. Horn for emergency drain clearance (£45.00); renewal of membership of BALC (£142.88); renewal of membership SLCC (£101.00).

1478) Planning

(a) *Applications*:

(i) CH/2014/0243/HB: Fox Barn, Cholesbury Lane, Cholesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP23 6ND: Replacement windows; No Comment.

ii) CH/2014/0572/OA: J and L Travel Ltd, Mount Pleasant, Taylors Lane, St Leonards, Buckinghamshire, HP23 6LQ: Redevelopment of site to provide four detached dwellings with associated access road and parking. It was agreed that Cllr Allen would prepare a response to CDC in support of the application and that Cllr Allen would speak at the Planning Committee, if applicable.

iii) CH/2014/0564/SA: Cherry Cottage, Little Twye Road, Buckland Common, Buckinghamshire, HP23 6PA: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed operation relating to the erection of a two detached outbuildings; No Comment. HL will contact NR to request advice as to the required notification and response for Certificates of Lawfulness.

(b) *Decisions of Chiltern District Council:*

(i) CH/2014/0212/FA: 1& 2 Hawridge Vale Cottages, Hawridge Vale, Hawridge; two storey side extensions, alterations to fenestration and retaining wall. Refused.

ii) CH/2014/0153/FA: Nut Hazel Cross Farm, The Vale, Hawridge; replacement ménage and erection of associated fencing. Refused.

iii) CH/2014/0091/FA: Coppice Farm House, Lanes End, St Leonard's; Two storey side, single storey front extensions and alterations to fenestration. Conditional Permission.

iv) CH/2014/0392/UA: Hill Farm, Heath End, Hawridge; replacement of electrical support poles and wires. Approved.

(c) *Notice of Appeals:*

None.

1479) The Green at Buckland Common

NB had inspected the Oak tree on the common. After 3 years observation the tree is deemed to have died and will be felled.

PM had not yet enquired as to requirements of the parishioners wishing to play football on the common and will try to report at the next meeting.

1480) Springall Hill allotments

It was agreed that 1.5 plots will be marked out from the spare land and made available to share between the two parishioners on the waiting list.

1481) Highways

(a) The planned LAT meeting on 23/4/14 was cancelled and has been rescheduled for 14/5/14.

(b) The patching and planning of Cholesbury Lane will be discussed on 14/5/14 at the LAT meeting.

1482) To co-opt a new councillor

Mrs Judith Joseph announced her interest to become a councillor, stating her 17 years living in the Parish and previous activity supporting Hawridge and Cholesbury C of E School as a Governor. The members discussed Mrs Joseph's application in her absence and it was agreed to welcome Mrs Joseph to the council.

1483) To consider acquiring a 'gov.uk' domain name for the Parish Council

HL explained the costs and procedure involved and it was agreed to maintain the current emailing arrangements.

1484) To discuss refurbishment of the noticeboards at Cholesbury and Buckland Common and the Silver Jubilee Memorial Bench at Cholesbury Common

Cllr Allen has requested a quote for the work.

1485) To receive an update on Superfast Broadband

Cllr Brown informed the meeting that a contract has been agreed between the County Council and BT and the first discussions on implementation will take place at the end of May.

The meeting closed at 10.05pm.

Chairman.....Date.....

Date of next meeting: Monday 19th May 2014 in Cholesbury Village Hall.