

CHOLESBURY-CUM-ST. LEONARDS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held in Cholesbury Village Hall on Monday 26th February 2018 at 8.00pm

Present: Cllrs Allen, Blomfield, Brackley, Brown, Ingram, Matthews and Sanger.

Also present: Mrs Lewis (Clerk) and District Cllr Rose.

4029) To receive apologies for absence

County Cllr Birchley.

4030) Matters arising

None.

4031) To receive declarations of interest

Cllr Allen and Cllr Matthews declared an interest in planning application CH/2018/0106/FA as neighbours to the applicant and Cllr Matthews also declared an interest in planning application CM/0015/18 as a relative of the applicant.

4032) Questions from members of the public

District Cllr Rose was questioned by the Cllrs as to the why application CH/2017/2234/FA had not been referred to planning committee, as it was felt that, as a residential development within the green belt, it may have been in the public interest. It was explained that the site was classed as 'previously developed land', used as storage, not agricultural purposes, and this land had fewer restrictions on development, as well as, in this case, the land being within a relatively residential area. It was also questioned as to why application CH/2018/0166/FA had been called into committee. It was explained that, due to the modern design of the property, within a rural area with largely traditional residences, the design was worthy of wider discussion. District Cllr Rose also reported that the discussions with the Historic Buildings officer, with regard to the White Lion, had been resolved. Changes to the lead in Planning Services were in progress also, but hopefully no disruption would be experienced during handover. Updates on the result of the Peer Review and CDC's position on the London Heathrow Noise Consultation were requested by the Cllr's. It was reported that CDC would be increasing its precept by 3% to cover costs, as all possible cost-saving measures had been now realised through consolidation of services with South Bucks DC. Reports of restricted access to the footpath through the Rose and Crown car park would be investigated and dealt with, as necessary.

4033) Questions to the Chairman

None.

4034) To approve the minutes of the Meetings of the Parish Council

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 22nd January 2018.

4035) Reports

(a) *Clerk's Report*: The report was discussed and actions agreed.

4036) Finance

(a) Orders for payment were approved for: The Clerk's salary (for February).

4037) Planning

(a) To deal with any planning applications, including those received after the date of the agenda.

(i) CH/2018/0106/FA Holmwood, Cholesbury Lane, Buckland Common, Buckinghamshire, HP23 6NQ, Part two storey, part single storey side/rear extension, erection of carport/log store, insertion dormer windows to rear roof slope of existing dwelling, erection of front porch and alterations to fenestration. It was resolved to reply 'No Comment'.

(ii) CH/2018/0123/FA Land Adjacent To Glebe Cottage, Cholesbury Lane, Cholesbury, Buckinghamshire, Formation of vehicular access and erection of gates. It was resolved to reply 'No Comment'.

(iii) CM/0015/18 The Bull Field, Chesham Road, Bellingdon, Proposed extraction of approximately 6000 cubic metres of brick earth, with restoration to grassland and wetland/woodland dell. It was resolved to reply 'No Comment'.

(iv) CH/2018/0166/FA Woodlands, Oak Lane, St. Leonards, HP23 6NN, Demolition of existing two-storey dwelling house and associated domestic outbuildings; erection of replacement part single, part two storey dwelling, with natural swimming pool to rear and associated landscaping. It was resolved to reply 'No Comment'.

(b) The following decisions were received by the council at this meeting:

- (i) CH/2017/2056/FA The Cottage, Oak Lane, St Leonards, Buckinghamshire, HP23 6NN, Single storey front extension, first floor side extension, insertion of rear dormer window and alterations to fenestration. Conditional Permission.
- (ii) CH/2017/2168/VRC Mount Pleasant, Taylors Lane, St. Leonards, HP23 6LQ, Application for variation of condition 8 of planning permission CH/2015/1741/FA to allow for removal of two Sycamore trees. Conditional Permission.
- (iii) CH/2017/2234/FA - Units 7 and 8, Woodlands Farm, The Vale, Hawridge, Buckinghamshire, Demolition of existing Class B8 warehouses and redevelopment to provide 4 x 3 bedroom semi-detached dwellings and 1 x 4 bedroom detached dwelling, served by new and altered accesses. Conditional Permission.
- (iv) CH/2017/2278/KA - Field End, Cholesbury Lane, Cholesbury, Buckinghamshire, HP23 6ND, Felling of three conifer trees all within a Conservation Area. No TPO.
- (c) No appeal decisions were received by the council at this meeting.

4038) The Green at Buckland Common
The hedge cutting has been completed.

4039) Springall Hill allotments
The hedgcutting has been completed. The letter to the tenants of the plot with two fruit trees, requesting they be pollarded, was sent, but no action has been taken. It was agreed that Cllr Blomfield would speak to the tenants directly.

4040) Devolved responsibilities
The Cllrs had reported on condition of the road signs within the Parish. It was agreed that the Clerk would summarise the information in time for the next meeting, in order that a plan of action could be agreed.

4041) To consider matters relating to Highways
The Clerk and Chairman reported that there had been no replies to their enquiries to TfB. There are several new potholes since the bad weather and the Chairman is awaiting a response to the timing of resurfacing work between Pound Lane and Rays Hill along Cholesbury Lane, to which no response has been received since 11/12/17. Cllr Allen will also raise the completion of work to Horseblock Lane, which included the laying of topsoil in the gulleys, which resulted in the soil being spread across the road and may have contributed to a road traffic accident involving a motorcycle.

4042) To consider a response to the London Heathrow Airport Consultation
It was resolved that Cllr Ingram would respond to the questionnaire on behalf of the Parish Council, in favour of more flights over urban vs rural areas and in favour of a fanning out of routes from Heathrow, rather than the use of a single flight path. The consultation is non-binding and, for this area, involves flights from a single runway that are limited by height to 6,000ft to fit between flights leaving Luton and those stacking above Bovingdon. Changes in ground vs satellite tracking should reduce stacking and improve efficiency, but general airport expansion is a threat to noise pollution. Cllr Ingram will consult with Chris Prentice, a retired air traffic controller, who lives locally and Cllr Sanger will contact LLATVCC to obtain an update on Luton airport expansion plans. Cllr Brown will draft a question to CDC about their potential response to the consultation.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

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

Date of next meeting: Monday 26th March 2018 at St. Leonards Parish Hall.