

CHOLESBURY-CUM-ST LEONARDS PARISH COUNCIL

The Meeting of the Parish Council took place on Monday, 29th November 2021 at 6pm

Present: Cllrs Brown (Chairman), Blomfield, Matthews, Kersting and Ingram

Also Present: Mrs Farrelly (Clerk), Cllr Patricia Birchley and one member of the public

- 5473) To receive apologies for absence
Cllr Jane Macbean and Cllr Mohammed Fayyaz had sent their apologies.
- 5474) To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 25th October 2021 and deal with any Matters Arising
Approved and signed by the Chairman
- 5475) To receive declarations of interest
None
- 5476) Reports from Buckinghamshire Councillors
Cllr Patricia Birchley highlighted the following:
- Community Board grants are available but need to be applied for before any works commence.
 - Buckinghamshire Council have pledged to welcome 30 Afghan families into the County over the next few years. A grant of £65K has been paid to the Afghan Helping Hands charity to support these families with relocating.
 - Buckinghamshire Council are judicially appealing the planning inspectorate's decision against the council who refused six Section 17 agreements to allow HS2 trucks on local roads. Concern has arisen regarding the volume of trucks on the roads and is a serious issue.
 - At the last Buckinghamshire Council meeting the 'Growth Agenda' was discussed regarding various projects around the county to attract regeneration.
 - Health & Wellbeing Board discussed the difficulty with getting doctor's appointments in the County.
 - Food waste collection is returning to normal from 13th December 2021
 - It was National Tree Week. The Council is also planning to plant 543,000 trees, one for every resident in Bucks, to mark the Queen's Green Canopy to mark her platinum jubilee.
- 5477) To suspend standing orders and invite questions from members of the public
None
- 5478) Reports
- (a) Chairman's Report and Questions to the Chairman
Cllr Brown has held discussions with the Chiltern Conservation Board.
- (b) Update on Broadband Fibre Project
Cllr Ingram reported on the Cholesbury Exchange project, Openreach has nearly completed the engineering planning stage, and have set June 2022 for project delivery. Regarding the Wendover Exchange project, Openreach are still to produce a final cost estimate for 16 addresses at Lanes End.
- (c) Clerk's Report
Councillors noted that the NS&I savings account has now been closed and the balance has been transferred to the Lloyds Bank account.
- 5479) Finance
- (a) To note the following regular orders of payments
- (i) Clerk's net salary for November 2021 - noted
 - (ii) HMRC – £100.80 – noted
 - (iii) Clerk's net salary for December 2021 – approved for payment in December 2021
 - (iv) HMRC - £100.80 – approved for payment in December 2021
- (b) To report and note payments made under section 4.5 of the Council's Financial Regulations approved by Chairman as per Register of Delegated Decisions circulated with Agenda
None
- (c) To approve the following orders for payment and any other arriving after this notice
- (i) Clerk's Expenses - £8.28 – approved
 - (ii) Dog Bin Maintenance - £258.18 – approved

- (d) Hall Grants
Councillors approved grant payments of £900 to both St Leonards Parish Hall and Cholesbury Village. Clerk will contact the Halls to arrange payment.
Budget 2022-23 – to consider and agree
- (e) Councillors noted the proposed budget for 2022-23. Noting there was a 2.7% increase to the precept, approved the budget and precept.
To approve the purchase of a new Noticeboard at the Cricket Club Car Park, Cholesbury
- (f) Having discussed different options for noticeboards and different costs prices for suppliers, Councillors approved the purchase of a three-panel noticeboard to replace the dilapidated noticeboard at the Cricket Club Car Park. Councillors noted the cost would be in the region of £1600 and agreed for Cllr Brown and the Clerk to confirm the order and pay the deposit under delegated decisions..

5480) Planning (see planning schedule)

- (a) To note any responses to planning applications since the last meeting
See planning schedule – appendix 1
- (b) To deal with any planning applications, including those received after the date of this notice:
 - (i) Proposed Telecommunications Installation at Cholesbury Reservoir
Advance information had been received of a proposed radio mast at the Cholesbury Reservoir of a three-legged lattice design, 24m high in front of the underground reservoir. It would be set back 250m from Jenkins Lane. It is intended for O2 to facilitate communications with Smart Metre sites. It would also have a mobile phone connection for O2 subscribers.
Councillors noted that a planning meeting would be arranged to discuss once notice of a planning application is received.
 - (ii) PL/21/4408/NMA - Home Paddock Cholesbury Lane Cholesbury Buckinghamshire HP23 6ND - no comment.
- (c) To receive decisions from Buckinghamshire Council
Three decisions received were noted. See planning schedule – appendix 1
- (d) To receive notice of appeals
Noted the Appeal on PL/20/1835/FA was to be heard in December See planning schedule – appendix 1
- (e) To receive an update on enforcement matters
Nothing to report

5481) To consider matters relating to Highways and Rights of Way

- (a) Review Highways and Rights of Way Schedule
See appendix 2
Cllr Brown reported that discussion to establish which gullies have been cleared in the parish and which are still outstanding. An inspection took place in Pound Lane to ascertain how repairs can be addressed.
- (b) Other highways matters
Cllr Kersting provided details of two damaged stiles that had been reported via Fix My Street as requiring repair/replacement: These would be added to the Highways and Rights of Way Schedule

5482) To consider matters relating to the Green at Buckland Common, Springall Hill Allotments and Cholesbury Noticeboard

Councillors noted that the tree and hedge work at the allotments has been completed.

5483) To confirm the time and date of the next meeting

- (a) 6pm on Monday, 31st January 2022

Cllr Nigel Blomfield

Cllr Brown took the opportunity on behalf of Councillor colleagues and parishioners to express their grateful thanks to Cllr Blomfield for his conscientiousness and tireless work for the local community as a Parish Councillor for 31 years, 10 of which as Chairman on his retirement from the Parish Council after this meeting. Councillors all joined with their own appreciations and to wish Nigel and Shirley Blomfield all the best on their move to Sussex.

Planning Applications Schedule

Application No	Address	Description of Proposal	Date Submitted	Expiry Date	Parish Council Response	Status / Additional Comments
Decided						
PL/21/3244/FA	Braziers Well Oak Lane Braziers End Buckinghamshire HP5 2UL	Construction of an equestrian manege (25m X 60m) with post and rail fencing.	2 nd Sept 2021		Sept '21 No Comment	Refuse Permission
PL/21/1184/FA	Little Bury Wood Cholesbury Lane HP23 6ND	New garden outbuilding	8 th April 2021		Apr 21 No Comment	Conditional Permission
PL/21/3850/FA	Ridge Cottage Hawridge Common Hawridge Buckinghamshire HP5 2UQ	Single storey rear extension.	1 Oct '21		October 2021 No comment	Conditional Permission
Outstanding						
PL/20/3988/FA	Russet Barn Little Twye Road Buckland Common Buckinghamshire HP23 6PB	Side extension and conversion of stables into residential annexe	8 th Dec 2020		21 Jan 2021 No objection comment but needs to be ancillary to the main residence.	
PL/21/0368/FA	OS Field 3831 Hawridge Common Hawridge Buckinghamshire	Conversion of existing agricultural building into a residential dwelling	1 st Feb 2021		5 th March Comments submitted by PC	
PL/21/3295/FA	Mermaid Cottage Hawridge Common Hawridge Buckinghamshire HP5 2UH	Erection of green house	8 th Sept 2021		Sept '21 No Comment	
PL/21/3296/HB	PL/21/3296/HB - Mermaid Cottage Hawridge Common Hawridge Buckinghamshire HP5 2UH	Listed building consent for erection of green house.	8 th Sept 2021		Sept '21 No Comment	
PL/21/3352/CONDA	The Black Horse Public House The Vale Hawridge Buckinghamshire HP5 3NS	Approval of conditions 2 (materials) and 3 (fenestration materials) of planning permission PL/20/1015/FA (Retention of outbuilding and alterations to roof, windows and doors.)	23 Aug '21		Sept 2021 No comment	

PL/21/3673/FA	Beechwood Jenkins Lane St Leonards Buckinghamshire HP23 6NW	Demolition of garage and erection of single storey side/rear extension, hip to gable rear roof extension with Juliet balcony, front porch, side dormer window and 4 side rooflights, changes to doors and windows	20 Sept '21		October 2021 Comments submitted	
PL/21/3643/FA	Old Orchard Oak Lane Braziers End Buckinghamshire HP5 2UL	Remodelling and extending single storey rear extension, changes to windows and doors, addition of a lap-pool and pool changing building in garden	6 Oct '21		October 2021 No comment	
PL/21/3470/FA	Hawridge and Cholesbury Church Of England School Hawridge Common Hawridge Buckinghamshire HP5 2UQ	Installation of mobile outbuilding for use as classroom with associated walkway and steps	13 Oct '21		October 2021 No comment	
New Applications						
PL/21/4408/NMA	Home Paddock Cholesbury Lane Cholesbury Buckinghamshire HP23 6ND	Non-material amendment to planning permission PL/21/2677/FA (Demolition of existing dwelling, garage and outbuildings etc	15 Nov 21'		November 2021 No comment	

Appeals

Application No	Address	Description of Proposal	Date of Planning Inspectorate Appeal	Parish Council Response	Status / Comments
PL/20/1835/FA EN/20/230	Field A4800 Cholesbury Lane, Buckland Common	Change of use from agricultural to Travellers' site	tba	PC submission sent 12 Mar	Application Refused - 23 Sept 2020 Notification of Planning Appeal against refusal and planning enforcement received. Date for appeal Dec /2021

Enforcement Cases

Ref Number	Address	Enforcement Issue	Est'd Infringement Start Date	Current Status
EN/19/0315	7- Acre Field, Heath End Berkhamsted, HP4 3SU	Unpermitted Change of Use of field for wedding receptions	8 th June 2019	Jan 2021 PCN issued further update From Clr MacBean / Enforcement Team Aug '21
EN/20/230	Field A4800 Cholesbury Lane, Buckland Common	Enforcement and Stop Notices issued on change of use – including surface and occupation by caravans etc	2 June 2020	Notice of Appeal Hearing received. see Appeals above

Highways and Rights of Way Schedule – 29th November 2021

*(Additional Items / updates since last report in **Bold**)

Issue*	Ref	Location StL=St Leonards BC=Buckland Common CH=Cholesbury H=Hawridge	First Raised	Reported date and Status TfB = Transport for Buckinghamshire FMS = Fix My Street Reporting tool RoW = Rights of Way Officer
Closed				
Verge maintenance	20 / 21	Jenkins Lane – Top end - Stl	2021 -05	Mowing of grass on wide verge at top end of village – 21/04 referred to Cllr MacBean to discuss with Asset Management Team
Pinned				
Rights of Way Issues	12 / 20	Undefined Path between Sandpit Hill and Parrotts Lane – Ch	2020 – 12	Enquiry from Chiltern Society to have path added to Definitive Map – Raised with RoW Officer Dec 2020 – Registered with Definitive Map Team Feb '21
Flooding on Roads	02 / 20	Dorriens Farm, Cholesbury Lane – BC	Ongoing	Pipe under road repaired, bore hole requires inspection / repair. 09 /21 Awaiting scheduled Drainage inspection
	16 / 21	Oak Lane (2 locations) – StL	2020 – 12	Flooding 2 adjacent locations reported to FMS: (i) by Dundridge Manor, (ii) near junction with Jenkins Lane landowner has cleared pipe but problem is caused by run-off and detritus along Jenkins Lane clogging up pipework 40154001
	15 / 21	Oak Lane – Braziers End	2020 – 12	Flooding onto road from field – raised via FMS and discussed with landowner ,to be monitored
	22 / 21	Sandpit Hill	2021 -06	Pipework and Bore hole needs clearing Cllr MacBean assisting to get full inspection 09 /21 Awaiting scheduled Drainage inspection 40176069
Open				
Flooding on Roads	01 / .20	Swan Lane / Jenkins Lane – StL	2019 – 07 BCC	Remedial work undertaken at The Hermitage Sept 2020, Monitored remedial work unsuccessful. Permanent solution required Raised with Cllr MacBean 01/05 who has raised with Drainage Manager to be reviewed at September meeting. Raised again with Cllr MacBean requesting meeting with Drainage Manager

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	26 / 21	Rays Hill	2021- 09	Runoffs and gullies are block or need resetting leading to flooding at bottom of the Road Reported to FMS 09 /15 40174522 Work undertaken inadequate to be raised again with TfB
Road Maintenance	21 / 21	Vale Rd - H	2021 - 05	Road surface just below Black Horse inn pub warn out. Due to Gravel that built up and was not totally removed road surface is slippery. Reported to FMS 19/05
	25 / 21	Rays Hill CH	2021 - 09	Road surface is broken up and worn on both hills profile for drainage needs resetting. Reported on FMS 09/15
	27 / 21	Pound Lane H	2021 - 09	Reported to FMS 09/15 road surface broken up / worn on whole length 275m Nov 2021 Inspection carried out by Bucks Council and Cllr MacBean
Verge Maintenance	20 / 21	Jenkins Lane – Top end - Stl	2021 -05	Mowing of grass on wide verge at top end of village – 21/04 referred to Cllr MacBean to discuss with Asset Management Team To be further updated at next meeting
	23 / 21	Verge Cutting	2021 - 07	Vision splay and verge clearance schedule queried with Ops Manager TfB Clearance work eventually completed w/e 20 th August. Quality of cut is poor areas missed and verge not fully cleared of perennial growth. Query if final cut has been undertaken
	29 / 21	Bridleway - Black Horse Lane CSL/51/1	2021 - 09	Bridleway being assessed for drainage work by RoW team
	24 / 21	Oak Lane CH	2021 - 09	Missing bollards on one side of double bend need replacing Posted on FMS 09 /15
Road Signage	17 / 21	Shire Lane / Cholesbury Rd - C	2021 – 02	Blue Cycle Route sign hanging loose – reported to FMS Advised scheduled for repair by FMS chased C&CM 07/06 May chased July no change
	09 / 20	Whole Parish	2020 – 10	Devolution Project- Cleaning of Road Name and Village Entry and Destination Signs – data gathering for Spring 2021
Rights of Way Issues	12 / 21	Nr Hawridge Court - Hawridge		Two damaged Stiles (1) Stile CSL/2285 on footpath CSL/32/2. FMS ref 211130256. (2) CSL/2200 on footpath CSL/21/1. FMS ref 211132933. Previously reported 6 April 2021 (ref: 210424584) and