

## CHILTON POLDEN PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021 at 7pm IN CHILTON POLDEN VILLAGE HALL

This meeting was held under CV19 restrictions and followed the Risk Assessment from the Village Hall Committee

- 1) Those Present: Chairman Cllr Hayne, Cllrs Parsons, Baker, Aylmer, James, and Smith In attendance the Clerk
- **2)** Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest and dispensations -the Chairman re agenda point 10. District Cllr Kingham sent his apologies
- 3) Statements by County / District Councilors County Cllr Healey had sent his report earlier in the week
- **4) Minutes of the zoom meeting held May 12th 2021** these were accepted as a true record and agreed unanimously by the Council
- 5) Matter arising (including matters of report from the minutes not itemised below)

  The Chairman and the Clerk had identified from the April meeting and gave an update of items still to be chased up. The Clerk stated that other Parish Councils have an ongoing "to do list" which all Clirs agreed to use. The Clerk to set up and distribute

## 6) Financial Matters

**Update** the Clerk handed hard copies to all Cllrs showing the bank reconciliation for all the accounts totaling £18,172.93

a) Clerks Salary (May + Increase April back dated) £ 211.33 b) PAYE for (May) £ 44.38

c) Clerks exp (May) £ 14.39 (inc VAT)

d) letters to sign re the closure of Santander number 2 Account and transfer to new bank

e) SDC re 3 grass cuts (24.3/6&19.4) £198 (inc VAT)

All the above, except 6d will be paid by the Clerk through the Unity Internet banking facility as agreed unanimously by all the Cllrs. The letter to be sent to Santander to make the transfer and close the number 2 account. It was agreed to close the Zoom account – (see 6c).

7) Planning: NONE

8) Set dates for interviews re Councillor vacancy – it was agreed that the Clerk to contact the two candidates to arrange interviews before the July meeting. The Chairman, Cllrs Parsons, and Cllr James, with the Clerk will conduct the interviews

- 9) Persimmon site meeting update on June 17<sup>th</sup>, our MP (Ian Liddell Grainger) the Parish Council, District Cllr, 5 Parishioners along with the Persimmon Site manager attended an update of the concerns about the development. All agreed it was disappointing not to have the Persimmon Contracts Manager or the Planning Case officer from Sedgemoor District Council in attendance with no apologies sent. The Clerk read out the concerns from the initial meeting on May 10<sup>th</sup>. More than half has still not been addressed. Special thanks are noted for the site manager, who has been very accommodating to some of the "day to day" problems at the development. A further 4 more issues were added to the list, and now look forward to a further update with another site meeting on Thursday July 15<sup>th</sup> at 5pm
- 10) St Edward's contribution to grass cutting (£500 last year) the Clerk read a letter from the Churchwarden asking for a contribution towards the grass cutting at the Churchyard. As this has been a very difficult year for the Church, with the inability of having any fundraising events due to CV19, the Parish Council agreed unanimously to agree to a special one-off contribution of £750 for this financial year
- 11) Defibrillator as Defibrillators have advanced with technology and now can be used with batteries, it was agreed to investigate the possibility of purchasing one for the Parish. Cllr James to report back at the next meeting with costs etc. The Clerk to write to the Hall Committee to see if a defibrillator can be installed on the outside of the Hall

## **MATTERS OF REPORT**

**Clir Parsons** – reported about the building work being carried out on Broadway, opposite Hayne Walk. The Clerk to check on the Sedgemoor's planning portal and write to the Enforcement Officer. **Clir Smith** – informed the meeting that road signs have been placed on Priory Road advising a road closure between 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> July

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday July 14th at the Village Hall starting at 7pm