



**DRAFT: CHILTON POLDEN PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE ANNUAL COUNCIL AND MAY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11 MAY 2022 AT 7PM IN CHILTON POLDEN VILLAGE HALL**

NOTE: The Parish Council has no Clerk (current vacancy). Tim Hayne, Parish Council Chair, is acting as volunteer Interim Clerk. Please excuse any delays in responses to emails. Contact [clerk@chiltonpoldenpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@chiltonpoldenpc.co.uk) or 07900 242114

### **DRAFT MINUTES**

1. **Those Present:** Cllrs Aylmer, Baker, Clatworthy, Hayne, James and Perfect-Porter, plus 8 members of the public.
2. **Acceptance of Office for all Councillors and distribution/collection of register of members' interests:** All Councillors present signed their Acceptance of Office forms and handed in their completed Register of Interests forms.
3. **Election of Officers – Chair and Vice Chair. Signing of Chair's Acceptance of Office Form.** Cllrs Hayne and Baker were unanimously voted in as Chair and Vice Chair respectively.
4. **Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest and dispensations:** Apologies from Cllr Smith, due to illness. Declaration from Cllr Hayne re item 8b.
5. **Statements by County /District Councillors.** None.
6. **Minutes of the meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> April 2022:** These were accepted as a true record and agreed unanimously by the Council.
7. **Matter arising (including matters of report from the minutes not itemised below):** Email received from Liam Gill, SCC Highways, that the work to alleviate the flooding on Broadway (outside nos 28 and 30) is with the contractor and ready to go, pending road closure permission. SDC have sent the Clerk six 'Clean up your dog waste' stickers. These will be put up at key locations.

#### **8. Financial Matters**

- a) Community Insurance renewal 01/06/22 – 31/05/23 £ 177.00

Approved unanimously for payment. This is the third payment of the current three-year deal.

- b) St Edwards Church grass cutting for 2022 donation £750.00

This request follows the letter from Anne Lush, Churchwarden, raised in MOR at the April meeting. It was discussed and unanimously agreed to make this increased £750 donation again for this year, given the Covid-19 situation.

7.16pm The Clerk opened the meeting to comments from parishioners.

9. **Planning: 19/22/00004 - Proposal:** Erection of 1 no. dwelling, including parking provisions. **Location:** 88 Broadway, Chilton Polden, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 9EQ

7.48pm The Clerk closed the meeting to parishioners.

After detailed discussion by Councillors and having noted the strong opposition from villagers in attendance, the Parish Council unanimously agreed to object to this application.

10. **Audit update:** The Clerk advised that the audit is being prepared and will be submitted to the Council's internal auditor, before coming back to the Council for approval and submission to the external auditors.

- 11. Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations event update:** Members of the Council who are on the villagers' organising team reported on the plans being made for the event on 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> June, following their recent meeting. The Clerk will arrange insurance for the marquee and toilets if notified that they are required by 20/05/22. The Council agreed that any payment for this ahead of the event and the next Council meeting, will be reimbursed at the next Council meeting. The organising team would welcome volunteers to help on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> June.
- 12. Noticeboards:** The Clerk has asked the supplier of the new Parish Council noticeboard to look at and quote for refurbishing the village noticeboard on Priory Road. The Clerk to confirm the order for the PC board.
- 13. New Clerk update:** An interview has taken place and the Chair will contact the applicant.
- 14. Village Hall Group disabled parking space enquiry request update:** The Clerk will forward the response from SCC Highways to the Village Hall Group.
- 15. Stream / ditch on Goose Lane:** SDC/SCC have replied that the ditch is not their land, but likely to be the riparian landowner's responsibility. The Clerk to contact the Lead Local Flood Authority.
- 16. Waste Bin update:** The Clerk is pursuing the installation of the bin at the junction of South Moors Lane and Church Lane with SDC's Assistant Clean Surroundings Manager.
- 17. Defibrillator update:** It was unanimously agreed to accept the quote for the electrical installation for the defibrillator. The Clerk to contact the Village Hall Group to progress.

#### **MATTERS OF REPORT**

Cllr Baker reported that the rubbish outside of 3 Broadway Avenue had now been removed.

Cllr Baker and several parishioners raised concern about the environmental and well-being impact of residents near to 88 Broadway.

Parishioners also noted reports of noise from entertainment in the garden of The Leather & Lace Bar & Grill and how it could be heard across the village, but noted that it ended at 10pm.

**The meeting closed at 8.43pm.**

**The Annual Parish Meeting followed this meeting with Cllrs Aylmer, Baker, Clatworthy, Hayne, James and Perfect-Porter, plus one parishioner, in attendance.**

**Date of next Parish Council meeting – WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2022 STARTING AT 7PM**