

CHILTON POLDEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th September 2017 AT 7.30PM
IN THE CHURCH HALL

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability) Crime and Disorder, Health and Safety and Human Rights.

1) Those Present: Chairman Cllr Hayne, Cllr Baker, Cllr Aylmer, Cllr Kehoe, Cllr Cox.
In attendance District Cllr Kingham – 2 parishioners and the Clerk

2) Apologies for absence: Cllr Oram,

Chairman Cllr Hayne addressed the meeting of the sad death of Antony Carr. Antony was a stalwart of the community with his involvement not only with the Parish Council, Playing Field Association, Citizens Advice and many more Village organisations.

3) Declarations of Interest: Cllr Aylmer re 8g – Cllr Cox and District Cllr Kingham re planning

4) Co-option of new Councillor – The Council welcomed Mr Brian Parsons as a new Cllr.

5) Statements by County/District Councillors. District Cllr Kingham reported on the changes at SDC re the Chief Executive. There are small business grants available from SDC and the Clerk to place a copy of the file in the notice board and web site.

6) Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st June, 2017. These were accepted as a true record and signed

7) Matters arising: None

9) PFA presentation – Kathryn Hall gave a very informative talk of how the PFA is going to be changing over the next year with emphasis of applying for various grants to make the playing field even better with new equipment and contingency plans for the future. It was agreed that the RLT2 funding available from Burtle PC was to be used and the Council offered to help in any way to assist the PFA

8) Financial Matters and Planning:

a) Financial Update: As at 13th September 2017 the current account stands at £2206.03 and the number 2 account stands at £9081.75

b) Clerk's Salary and Admin: The Council agreed to pay the Clerk's salary of £556.59 (June/July/August) Web site admin of £60 for April/May/June/July – expenses of £30 April/May/June- along with PAYE of £39 for June and £87 for July/August. Proposed by Cllr Hayne and seconded by Cllr Baker. All in favour

c) Internal Audit £10 – the Council agreed to pay this invoice. Proposed by Cllr Baker and seconded by Cllr Aylmer. All in favour

d) Hire of Hall - £56 – the Council agreed to pay this invoice for 7 meetings (Jan to June). Proposed by Cllr Baker and seconded by Cllr Cox. All in favour

e) SDC – Playing Field Maintenance £132 inc VAT – The Council agreed to pay this invoice. Proposed by Cllr Keyhoe and seconded by Cllr Parsons. All in favour (May x 2 cuts)

f) SDC – Playing Field Maintenance £198 inc VAT – The Council agreed to pay this invoice. Proposed by Cllr Baker and seconded by Cllr Cox. All in favour (May x 1 June x 2)

- g) **Chilton Polden Hall – contribution to solicitor’s invoice** – The Council has over the past 5 years put aside £200 in the precept for this eventuality. It was agreed to pay this invoice of £1000. Proposed by Cllr Baker and seconded by Cllr Parsons. All in favour
- h) **Authorisation letter to transfer funds** – it was agreed that the Clerk to send a letter to Santander to make a transfer of £2000 from the reserve account to the current account. Proposed by Cllr Hayne and seconded by Cllr Keyhoe. All in favour

PLANNING – 19/17/0008

Change of use of agricultural land to equestrian, formation of riding arena and change of use of agricultural building to form a stable. District Cllr Kingham and Cllr Cox left the meeting re pre-determination. The Council agreed to support this application as it would keep the farm viable and add another amenity to the Village.

District Cllr Kingham and Cllr Cox returned to the meeting

- 10) **Cluster meeting update** – as this meeting took place in June and minutes had been distributed from SDC a general update was given by Chairman Hayne re the bus route. Fracking was discussed and no sites were earmarked within our Parish.
- 11) **Southmoor Lane Field** – the Clerk had been in touch with County Hall as the field is going to be sold at auction on November 2nd. It was agreed that the Clerk to contact County Cllr Healey and County Hall about the possibility of obtaining a Community Transfer before the next PC meeting.
- 12) **Antony Carr** – it was discussed about purchasing a bench to be installed in conjunction with the PFA and quotes to be obtained. The Clerk to consult with SALC re use of Parish funds towards this.

MATTERS OF REPORT – the Clerk informed the meeting about the possibility of changing the bank account to take into consideration all the new signatories with the new Council. The Clerk to look into and report back at the next meeting.

Chairman – reported that with winter approaching is to remind householders to be aware that overgrown hedges/verges need to be trimmed back

Update on some matters;

- a) **stiles that have been reported for mending** – as this was placed on the July agenda – the Clerk to check all the correspondence and report back at the next meeting
- b) **jetting of the culvert at the bottom of Goose Lane & Smallways**- work to be carried out commencing 18.09.17
- c) **repair to the broken culvert at the top of Goose Lane** – the Clerk to check with Highways if this is being done at the same time as the jetting above

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 11th October 2017 at 7.30pm
Jim Murray, Parish Clerk
20th September 2017