

CHIEVELEY PARISH COUNCIL

Public Participation and Neighbourhood Policing Public Open Forum Summary

Apologies were received from PC Alex De Meyer and PC Easton

Minutes of the Meeting of Chieveley Parish Council held at the Chieveley Recreational Centre, High Street, Chieveley, Newbury, Berkshire RG20 8TF on Tuesday 12 January 2010 at 7.30pm

Present

Cllr R Crispin	Cllr P Fidler	Cllr E Friend	Cllr N Hamlin
Cllr D Cowan	Cllr K Ramsay	Cllr M Taylor	Cllr H Cole

In Attendance Mrs T Snook (Clerk) 1 member of the public

1.01.10 Apologies and Acceptance of Absence

None.

2.01.10 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8 December 2009 to be agreed and signed as a true record

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2009 were unanimously agreed as a correct record of the meeting and the Parish Council resolved to sign them.

3.01.10 Declaration of Interest by Councillors on the agenda items listed

None.

4.01.10 Planning Schedule and Planning Issues (Appendix I)

The Parish Council confirmed there were no objections or observations for the planning applications listed on the schedule. The Parish Council approved the planning schedule.

4.01.1 Land at Stable View, Oare update

It was noted that a planning application reference 09/02431/FULD has been submitted and in the process of being validated by West Berkshire Council. Deadline for all paperwork and documentation to be submitted: 15 January 2010.

5.01.10 MUGA project in Chieveley. To receive a report on the MUGA project from Cllr Hamlin including project start date

Cllr Hamlin confirmed formal approval for the project to proceed from Chieveley Recreational Centre Committee had been received.

Programme timescales were outlined. The order should be placed within the next 7 days. Start on site likely to be mid February. Practical completion by 5

April 2010. The final line marking will take place end of June as the tarmac needs to mature before the lines can be painted.

First payment is due with the order. Second payment due in February when the contractors start on site. Each payment is £17,591.21 inclusive of VAT.

The Parish Council agreed that as the order is due to be placed a request will be made to West Berkshire Council for the Member Capital Fund to be released to meet the first two instalment payments. The clerk was instructed to make the request. **Action: Clerk**

It was proposed by Cllr Cole that the first two instalment payments of £17,591.21 be approved. Seconded: Cllr Crispin. This was unanimously agreed

It was proposed by Cllr Crispin that EJM be instructed to carry out the tree works and the quotation dated 2 September 2009 for £600 plus VAT be accepted. Seconded. Cllr Cole. This was unanimously agreed. Action: Clerk

6.01.10 Curridge W I Hall. To receive a progress report from Cllr Crispin

Cllr Crispin reported that a meeting due to take place had been interrupted by the weather. Cllr Friend confirmed the W I have obtained an initial survey and quotation from Wellbro for cladding and insulation works. Costs are likely to be in the region of £28,500 exclusive of VAT. The firm have offered a service to provide a specification for the WI to use to tender for the project. New windows and other works are also being planned. Cllr Cole, as District Councillor, invited the WI to contact her to request support for this project through a member bid. It was noted that a project of this scale would need to be assessed carefully and funding over an agreed period would need to be planned. The Parish Council acknowledged that the WI Hall project needs support from the Parish Council along with the W I applying for grants to other third party organisations.

7.01.10 Budget and precept 2010/2011. To discuss and agree the budget and precept for 2010/2011

Councillors had received preliminary notes and budget information for consideration prior to the meeting.

The Parish Council noted the W I Hall would need funding support for a period of time for the project works highlighted earlier in the meeting. Provision is required.

A discussion took place. The Parish Council agreed that the precept should not increase significantly in a time of recession but noted there were new commitments for the MUGA maintenance and insurance costs.

A precept of £25,500 would represent £22.41 for a band D equivalent property in the Parish.

It was proposed by Cllr Hamlin that a precept of £25,500 be requested and the budget tabled be accepted. Seconded Cllr Friend. This was unanimously agreed.

The clerk was instructed to return the precept form to West Berkshire Council.
Action: Clerk

8.01.10 Local Transport Plan. To discuss and agree action

Cllr Cowan reported that he had looked at the West Berkshire 3rd Local Transport Plan 2011 – 2026 Consultation document.

A discussion took place. Cllr Cowan was asked by the Parish Council to work with the clerk and provide a response to the consultation document. The Parish Council is concerned about traffic using unsuitable roads in rural areas, particularly HGV's. This is supported by the Parish Plan feedback.

9.01.10 Draft National Policy Statements for National Energy and Highways Projects. To receive a report from Cllr Cowan

Cllr Cowan reported that under the Planning Act 2008 the Government has set up a new regime for major infrastructure projects, such as power stations and roads, which will be granted consent by a new Infrastructure Planning Commission, rather than local authorities. In November the Government published draft National Policy Statements for energy projects that would guide the IPC's decisions. The documents cover policies for infrastructure planning for nuclear and renewable energy e.g. wind farms and other energy projects under these new documents. It could encourage people to seek approval in the AONBs for things like wind farms and energy from waste plants. Renewable energy is a good thing but not if policies appear to be eroded for AONBs.

The Parish Council asked Cllr Cowan to draft the response with the clerk.
Action: Cllr Cowan, Clerk.

10.01.10 Notice board repairs. Chieveley notice board urgent repair

The clerk reported that urgent repairs to the Chieveley notice board had been carried out. The cost for the repair will be £20. The Parish Council resolved to pay £20 to C Rumens.

11.01.10 Footway link in Curridge Road. To receive a progress update on questionnaire

In order to establish if an extension to the existing footway in Curridge Road is required or not the Parish Council have agreed to carry out a questionnaire. It was reported that a simple questionnaire had been drafted, been approved by the Clerk and Chairman and was being circulated to the properties in Curridge, including Dennison Barracks properties. Return deadline 22 January 2010. The community have been asked to return the slips to Curridge School, two Councillors or to the Parish Clerk by post or email. The findings of the questionnaire will be reported at the next meeting.

12.01.10 Clerks Report's (including correspondence)

12.01.1 Parish Conference Events in 2010

The clerk tabled a letter from West Berkshire Council advising the Parish Council of the Parish Conference event dates in 2010.

13.01.10 Report of the Responsible Financial Officer, Cheque Signing and other financial matters

A copy of the year to date financial statement 2009/2010 with financial budget figures and a Receipts and Payments summary were provided for Councillors information.

It was proposed by Cllr Crispin and Seconded by Cllr Friend and the Parish Council resolved to pay the accounts for January 2010.

Payments

Cheque No	Payee	Description	Amount
664	West Berkshire Council	Dog Bin Services	£ 95.85
665	SLCC	Annual subscription	£ 106.00
666	Arbocare	Tree works (Curridge Playground)	£ 558.12
667	T Snook	Clerk Fees (5 weeks)	£ 815.84
		Expenses & Allowance	£ 27.89
668	Safe & Sound Playground	MUGA project 1st instalment	£ 17,591.21
669	C Rumens	Noticeboard repair	£ 20.00
Total Payments for January 2010			<u>£ 19,214.91</u>

Receipts

BACS	RBS Treasurers Account Interest	£ 4.51
BACS	RBS High Business Account Interest	£ 4.05
Total Receipts for January 2010		<u>£ 8.56</u>

Financial Position as at 12 January 2010

Receipts for year to date including April/Sept precept received	£ 25,022.80
Less payments for year to date	£ 40,539.94
Sub Total	-£ 15,517.14
Add balance carried forward 31/03/09	£ 20,796.43
S106 Contribution 07/08 and 08/09 carried forward 31/03/09	£ 28,073.21
S106 Contribution 09/10	£ 13,428.60
	<u>£ 46,781.10</u>

Clerk's Note: The 1st instalment payment for Safe & Sound Playground Ltd will be released when the Members Capital fund is received and funds cleared in the Parish Council bank account.

14.01.10 **District Councillor's Report**

14.01.1 **To receive a request from Cllr Cole regarding an emergency plan and agree action.**

Cllr Cole asked the Parish Council to consider doing an emergency plan. Carolyn Murison from West Berkshire Council could be available to speak to the Parish Council regarding a plan. A discussion took place. The Parish Council would like to see a similar size Parish emergency plan. Chieveley Village Hall is listed as a Reception Centre. The Parish Council agreed to invite Carolyn Murison to discuss emergency planning. It could be useful to have a basic plan to implement with a contact system formalised and a basic procedure known within the communities.

14.01.2 **Reports for Chieveley Village website during the snow**

Cllr Cole reported that she had provided updates for the village website. There has been gritting concerns and Local Authorities have been asked to reduce their salting programmes by 50%. Main roads are a priority.

14.01.3 **Waste collections**

Cllr Cole reported that waste collections were starting to address the back log of collections due to the heavy snow. However it is likely to take a further 2 weeks before collections are back to normal for all residents.

15.01.10 **Councillors' Reports (Information Only)**

15.01.1 **Curridge Green**

Cllr Ramsay reported there were large potholes at Curridge Green. Byway 29. The Parish Council noted the information but felt the road condition was the collective responsibility of the residents along the roads. Residents need to contact West Berkshire Council Countryside and Environment.

15.01.2 **W I Hall**

Cllr Friend reported that an air gun pellet had gone through the kitchen window.

15.01.3 **Footpath 30**

The stile has not been reinstated

15.01.4 **Reduction in Street Lighting**

Cllr Friend reported that the street lights seemed to be on too much. The timing needs to be reviewed. Curridge Park could become a test location for reducing street light hours.

15.01.5 **Newbury Showground Presentation**

Cllr Cowan reported that a presentation took place on 5 January 2010 at Chieveley Recreational Centre to Chieveley Parish residents. The meeting was quite well attended despite the snow conditions. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce a proposal for a new building on the showground site. To be located at the southern point of the site near the motorway. 70m x 43m, 13m high at higher point of eaves. The building is required to house cattle/livestock. The proposal also includes a road round the public car park which will get vehicles off

the highway. Residents had an opportunity to raise questions, express concerns and ideas for the proposal. The Newbury & District Agricultural Society hope to submit a planning application in Summer/Autumn 2010.

16.01.10 **Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent (Information Only)**
None

17.01.10 **Date of the next meetings**

Tuesday 9 February 2010 at Curridge W I Hall, Curridge
Tuesday 9 March 2010 at Chieveley Recreational Centre, Chieveley

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Signed _____

Dated _____

Planning Applications For the Parish Council Meeting on 12 January 2010

Planning applications for consideration

Planning applications can be viewed on the West Berkshire Council website www.westberks.gov.uk under planning applications

Planning No	Type	Location	Description	Observation	Members End Date
09/02409	LBC	Chieveley House, High Street, Chieveley	Replacement of three window frames glazed. 2 new internal shutters 5 pairs in drawing room	No objection	6-Jan-10
09/02322	HOUSE	Horsemoor House, Horsemoor Chieveley	Additions to form first floor bedroom utility room, cloakroom with dormer window and ensuite shower room above. Garaging for three cars	No objection	6-Jan-10
09/02486	FUL	Priors Court School, Priors Court	Converting existing window opening to a door opening	No objection	13-Jan-10
09/02148	HOUSE	The Bungalow, Downend Chieveley	Demolition of the existing sun room and erection of 3m deep extension with gables and loft conversion	No objection	6-Jan-10
09/02466	LBC	Priors Court School, Priors Court	Internal alterations to convert former dining area and kitchen into new training area, including new/altered door openings, improved disabled access and WC provision and the erection of new internal partitions	No objection	13-Jan-10

Planning Application Decisions and Appeal Decisions Notification

Planning No	Type	Location	Description	Decision
09/01899	HOUSE	Down End House, Downend	Two storey extension and alterations	Approval
09/02068	HOUSE	13 Sowbury Park, Chieveley	Conservatory	Approval
09/01896	HOUSE	Snowdrop House, Chapel Lane	Erection of garage	Approval
09/02154	HOUSE	Ascendune, Sandy Lane, Curridge	Single storey side extension	Approval
09/01732	LBC2	Downend Lodge, Downend, Chieveley	Cavity wall insulation	Approval
09/02194	XFUL	Old Radnalls Farm, Green Lane, Chieveley	Conversion of redundant farm buildings into residential use to included on 3 bed dwelling and one 2 bed dwelling	Approval
09/02044	LBC2	Chieveley House, High Street	Retrospective - Replacement iron gates to front drive	Approval
09/02044	HOUSE	Chieveley House, High Street	Retrospective - Replacement iron gates to front drive	Approval
09/02052	HOUSE	14 Sowbury Park, Chieveley	Dog run with garden sheds	Approval

For Information

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