

CHARFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 12th December 2017 commencing at 7.30pm in the Sportsman's Lounge, Memorial Hall, Charfield

PRESENT

Parish Councillors: Mr. M. Roshier (Chairman), Mr. M. Cheskin (Vice Chairman), Mrs. J. Law, Mrs. N. News, Mrs. V. Roberts, Mr. A. Parker and Mr. P. Garside.

Clerk: Mrs. Paula Evans

Public: One member of the public was present.

Action

11141/17 To note Apologies for Absence and Acceptance of Reasons

Apologies were received and noted from Cllr. Threlfall.

11142/17 Declarations of Interest in items on the Agenda

None received.

11143/17 To Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 14th November 2017 had been circulated. Cllr. Parker proposed, Cllr. Law seconded and it was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes which were duly signed by the Chairman. **All Agreed.**

11144/17 Public Participation

None.

11145/17 To receive the Clerk's Report

Due to the Clerk's recent illness nothing was reported. However, the Clerk thanked the Parish Council for their get well messages and flowers.

11146/17 Report from Cllr. John O'Neill, South Gloucestershire Council Representative

The pedestrian traffic lights installation was now in consultation. If no objections were received they would be operational in January 2018.

The current temporary traffic lights adjacent to the Bellway development would remain in place until February 2018. It was noted that these temporary lights have caused long queues through the village. However, it had been negotiated that they would be removed for the Christmas period (between 18th December and 2nd January). It was also considered by the Parish Council that the long traffic queues and idling car engines was contributing to poor air quality around the village.

The resubmitted Cotswold Homes, Falfield application had gone to Appeal which would be heard on 6th February 2018. The resubmission is now for 85 homes. The previous application had been refused at Committee because of unsustainability. There were also plans for a 'park and share' scheme opposite the Gables, Falfield.

Correspondence regarding the new Woodlands Garden Village (the old golf course) had been received. This location had not initially been picked by the West of England. However, it would appear to be a far more sustainable development.

11147/17 Planning Applications

PT17/4856/F | Demolition of existing detached garage. Enlargement of existing front dormer. Erection of two storey side extension and single storey side and rear extension to provide additional living accommodation | 28 Durham Road, Charfield, GL12 8TH | NO OBJECTIONS.

PT17/5307/TRE | Works to crown reduce 1 no. Willow tree to a finished height of 15m and a radial spread of 20m covered by SGTP0 07/11 dated 21st June 2011 | Charfield Congregational Church, Wotton Road, Charfield | Following discussions it was agreed to accede consideration of this application to the SGC Tree Officer following his investigation.

PT17/5463/F | Erection of first floor side extension, two storey side extension and single storey rear extension to form additional living accommodation | 111 Woodlands Road, Charfield, GL12 8LT | TO OBJECT – potential loss of parking space.

11148/17 Planning Decisions

PT17/4609/PNA | Prior notification of the intention to erect two agricultural buildings for the storage of fodder and machinery and use as a lambing shelter | Huntingford House, Swinhay Lane, Charfield | NO OBJECTIONS

PT17/4802/F | Erection of single storey front extension to provide additional living accommodation | 171 Woodlands Road, Charfield, GL12 8LA | APPROVE WITH CONDITIONS.

11149/17 Planning Enforcement

The current planning enforcement issues were noted.

11150/17 JSP, JTP & Proposed Development within Charfield

It was proposed by Cllr. Cheskin, seconded by Cllr. Garside and **resolved** to formally adopt the response, as presented at the meeting as Charfield Parish Council's formal reply to the JSP consultation. **All Agreed.** The Parish Council's response would be advertised on the PC web site and Charfield Village Forum.

11151/17 Playing Fields Inspection Reports and Note Issues Arising

The weekly playground inspection reports were received and noted.

It was reported that the metal boundary fences along Little Bristol Lane had been deliberately cut in various places which had weakened their tautness. The Parish Council would investigate repair options.

The quote for the replacement tennis court fencing would be chased.

The Clerk will contact the Hall Committee regarding the Eol in the Bellway CIL monies.

Clerk

11152/17 Charfield Burial Ground Report

It was proposed by Cllr. Garside, seconded by Cllr. Parker and **resolved** to approve the purchase of a single ashes plot and interment of ashes in relation to the late Mr. Vizard. **All Agreed.**

11153/17 Youth Group Report

A meeting had been held recently. There had been some very minor behavioural problems with some of the younger attendees which had been successfully dealt with. The Group also has a new helper starting shortly. The Group had also been donated £500 from the Area Forum. Generally the Group is operating well, with good attendance.

11154/17 Charfield Neighbourhood Plan

The Charfield Neighbourhood Plan Committee wants to continue in order to make their voice heard as a stakeholder consultee. They would also be able to pass on the invaluable information gathered from the Charfield Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire.

11155/17 Meeting Reports

- Hall Management Committee – a recent meeting had been held and the Committee still aspire to develop the front of the building as well as the installation of some lighting and the erection of some bollards. The Hall finances are healthy.
- Crest Nicholson Liaison Group Meeting - nothing further to report.
- Day House Lease Liaison Group Meeting – a meeting had been held on 29th November 2017 at which the Parish Council had expressed their extreme concern at the amount of debris and mud on the road as well as the inconvenience of the temporary traffic lights.

There was also discussion over Bellway's provision of play equipment to the front of the development site. This is an elevated part of the development and concern was expressed that the play equipment proposed would overlook adjoining gardens. The next planned meeting of the Liaison Group would take place on 23rd January 2018 at 2.00pm in the Sportsmans Lounge.

- Greenway Group – the current survey closes on 21st December 2017.
- Community Engagement Forum – The Forum had complained bitterly about the lack of police attendance, and there was also speculation that the Community Beat Officer may now be part-time. There had been some discussion about having some interesting presentations. The meetings days have changed to Wednesdays with the next meeting scheduled to take place on 7th February 2018.

11156/17 Correspondence Received

SGC – Policies, Sites & Places Plan – Adoption; Notice of Proposal – Traffic Order (PT.5822) Proposed Push Button Pedestrian Crossing – Wotton Road, Charfield; Biodiversity.

Other – Woodlands Garden Village – A sustainable opportunity; Luke Hall MP – Mobile Library

11157/17 Footpaths

The Clerk was asked to chase the status of the stile in Woodlands Road.

Clerk

11158/17 Financial Matters

The Clerk reported the following available balances with the bank statements being witnessed and signed by the Chairman and Clerk:-

Current Account	£ 500.00	(Statement No. 399 dated 1 st December 2017)
Business Reserve (1)	£14,356.86	(Statement No. 190 dated 5 th November 2017)
Business Reserve (2)	£84,223.53	(Statement No. 295 dated 1 st December 2017)

11159/17 Accounts for Payment

Payee	Chq No.	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
			£	£	£
Mrs. P. Evans	SO	Clerk's Salary - March	£863.16	£0.00	£863.16
HMRC	2803	Clerk's Tax & NI	£126.57	£0.00	£126.57
Memorial Hall	2804	Room Hire & Litter Pick	£132.50		£132.50
Grant Thornton	2806	Annual Audit Fee	£300.00	£60.00	£360.00
KLH Landscaping	2805	Grasscutting	£1,864.00		£1,864.00
			£3,286.23	£60.00	£3,346.23

It was proposed by Cllr. Cheskin and seconded by Cllr. Rawlings and **RESOLVED** that the above accounts be paid. Cllrs. Law and Parker were instructed to sign the cheques. **All Agreed.**

11160/17 Minor Items Raised by Members or for Future Agenda

It was noted that the head teacher of Charfield Primary School will be leaving and a new head teacher starting in the New Year. It was agreed that some form of Parish Council representation on the Governing Body would be helpful.

This concluded the business of the meeting which closed at approximately 9.20pm.

Next meeting of full council is to be held on Tuesday 9th January 2018 at 7:30pm in the Sportsman's Lounge.

Chairman

9th January 2017