

Chirton & Conock Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting
held at The Old School, Chirton
on Tuesday 15th February 2022 at 7.15pm

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The public and press were invited to attend this meeting via notice boards and on Chirton PC Website <https://www.chirtonandconock-pc.org.uk>

Present: Phillippa Radford-Howes, Chair (**PRH**), Christopher Chapman (**CC**), Paul Mills, Vice-Chair (**PM**).

Attending: Susannah Lampard (**Clerk**)
 Sharon Prance (**RFO**)

143 Receive apologies for absence - Gerald Lanfear (**GL**). Cllr. Paul Oatway (**PO**); attending Wiltshire Council Full Meeting.

144 Receive declarations of interest or requests for dispensation – None were received.

145 Receive and approve. Minutes of the PC Meeting held on Tuesday 11th January 2022. Chair PRH received and signed the Full Minutes of last Meeting, now available to view on the PC Website.

146 Representations Parishioner contacted the Clerk with her concerns, highlighting the clear danger to pedestrians and traffic, passing underneath the overgrown trees and dead branches overhanging the road in Small Street. PRH has summarised the situation with the parishioner to date and was able to contact the relevant party and have the trees cut back.

147 CATG Agenda Items. Meeting held on 9th Feb 2022 (Mark Stansby Agenda)

- Highways Application - Horse crossing A342 - **Ongoing**: application for signage and agreement in principle from CATG.

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Councillor Paul Mills joined the Meeting at this point

- 20 mph speed limit **Ongoing**: an update by PM of requested traffic survey and suitability assessment by the PC and CATG. The initial speed assessment survey has been agreed with Mark Stansby to go ahead along 2 sections of road in the village 1. Small Street. 2 The Hollow. PM to find suitable locations for attachment to speed assessment equipment. There is no charge at this stage however If a record of speeding criteria is met, then a full 20mph limit survey will follow at a cost of £2,500 for which the PC will need agreement to fund a percentage of.

148 FINANCE

1. Cash Book and Bank reconciliation - PC to 31st January 2022.

PC Treasurer's account = £8,729.16

PC Savings account = £14,002.55

Total PC accounts = £22,731.71

Total unrestricted = £11,028.65

2. **Cash Book and Bank reconciliation - Parish Hall to 31st January 2022.**
Parish Hall account = £1,200.53 .

3. Invoices

Invoice date	Invoice No.	Supplier	Description	Net	Vat	Total
02-Feb	P208	SSE	Telephone box electricity Jan22	£24.80	£1.24	£26.04
01-Feb	P209	R P Bridewell	Apr-Dec 21 - village grass maintenance	£350.00		£350.00
	P210	Wiltshire Air Ambulance	Donation	£100.00		£100.00
08-Feb	P212	IONOS	Website - Feb22	£15.00	£3.00	£18.00
	P213	EQUA MAT	Use of School Hall	£75.00		£75.00
TOTAL				£564.80	£4.24	£569.04

4. **Precept Application - £12,978** has been agreed and submitted by the Clerk to Tina Winfield at Wiltshire Council, the first sum is due to be paid at the start of April 2022.

5. **Charity Donations Fund.** A discussion of the remaining £225 of allocated funding for local charities that may benefit the community and an agreed split was discussed. Two more charities were chosen:

- **Devizes Food Bank:** £100
- **Open Doors:** £50
- **Devizes Link 'Community Transport'** When a suitable contact is identified, this will be agreed for the remainder of funds to be donated, at the March Meeting.

PROPOSED: PRH, SECONDED: CC. AGREED

For further details of the use of these services, please contact The Clerk.

6. **Budget (SP) - EMR Reserves.** The agreed £4,500 is due to be invoiced by CATG February '22.

149 Planning Application PL/2022.00317 Response sought and agreed by email correspondence, with Councillors and submitted by Clerk (between Meetings; Comments due by 11th February 2022.) PC Submission in **'Support'**.

150 Late Planning Applications – None

151 Councillor Vacancies – Ongoing. We welcome Community members to attend and find out more. Training will be offered for new Councillors or as a refresher.

152 Parish Stewards Report and Updates from PRH Ongoing:

- **Works carried out this month** include 3 visits to clear, drains and patch potholes. Path opposite Plumbers Farm and paths both sides of the church were cleared.
- Also in cutting back a hedge along the straight as you leave village on Patney Road the Steward has uncovered another drain which will need maintenance and will be kept clear.

153 Oak Tree Protection. Ongoing: awaiting further quotes for works.

154 Parish Climate impact Report - Clerk Attended an online demonstration of Exeter University developed 'Impact' software for PCs, to see where Chirton is, as a CO2 emitter. The Report for Chirton & Conock Parish was shared with Councillors and it was agreed that an ongoing information item on affordable deliverables and grants that we are aware of, are some of the ways the PC can provide agency and information to our Community.

This will be an ongoing Item as a PC to find and promote ways of reducing our environmental impact as a Parish. Please keep an eye on the Website for incentives and promotions and contact the Clerk with your suggestions. The impact Report of our local CO2 Emissions will be available to view on the PC Website.

155 Defibrillator for Conock. Ongoing: GL received further quotes due before agreement can be sought at the next Meeting. Also **PM will contact the Area Board for a contribution application, to match PC input.**

156 Tree Plaques requirement at 3 locations (PRH)

- Millennium tree plaque for Indian Bean Tree (*catalpa bignonioides*)
- WW2 Memorial plaque for Sergeant Lesli Thumbwood, to accompany planting of an Oak tree.
- Queen's Jubilee 'Tree Canopy' plaques for 3 *Malus* trees to be planted as part of Celebrations.

157 Jubilee Celebrations Committee Update from Community Group Meetings (PM) - The Committee met last Tuesday to establish roles and assign duties for each day of the planned celebrations. To register your interest in volunteering to help in any way please contact Paul Mills or Phillippa Radford-Howes. **Clerk print poster – noticeboards**

158 Parcel of land along Small Street – (PM) updated the PC of the historic fraudulent multi-party sale of the marsh/ wetland plot. The crimes were carried out at locations nationwide and resulted in imprisonment and a court order to recuperate funds where possible for victims, by sale or possible auction of land. PM's possible proposal that the village raise funds to buy and protect/reserve this land for the Community could involve the precept.

159 Land in front of the Church has been fenced off by the PCC on behalf of the PC to avoid further erosion by traffic.

160 Mark Stansby and Paul Mills have discussed the protection of the verge/area along Patney Road by use of a kerb and drop-kerb and posts, at a rough cost of £6000, for which application may be made to CATG for funding in part and the PC would contribute a possible 25-50%. The PC agreed to proceed with an application to CATG, when PM had the backing of the PCC.

161 The next Full Parish Council Meeting is scheduled to be held **on Tuesday 8th March 2022 at The Old School Chirton at 7pm.**

Watch the notice boards for further information.

The meeting closed at 21:15

Susannah Lampard, Clerk to the Parish Council

Agreed and Signed:..... Dated:
Phillippa Radford-Howes - Chair

SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS from THIS MEETING & ONGOING ISSUES + UPDATE RECORD

<p>Permissive Path (South of CHIR 17) - draft Contract 10yr – PM to chase SL of WC. PC Quotes for fencing being obtained GL/PM counted the posts ...75 stakes, 5 strainers, 3 strands barbed wire, 3 strands plain each side of 1.5m path ramp, quotes before a vote.</p> <p>CHIR17 – Designated Footpath Update on open access of footpath – PM follow up on WC's intended action to add steps and sleepers over ditch in order to open access to full length of footpath. Tree limb is hanging over access to path at rear of 10a The Hollow. PRH suggested PC may have to address as WC are backing down from carrying out these works.</p>	Rights of Way Committee	ONGOING Off Agenda awaiting quotes and further information
<p>Horse Crossing – further discussion re. costs CATG must give permission. funding for 2 signs was discussed during the end of 2021 CATG Meeting and it was agreed in principle, with a three-way division of costs, to be confirmed. CATG have to agree to installation of signage.</p>	PM	ONGOING awaiting further information and agreement from CATG.
<p>Jubilee Committee – Clerk forward all relevant emails and info. To Committee. PM, DJ, JW, PRH</p> <p>Posters on Noticeboards</p>	Clerk	ONGOING Done

<p>War Memorial Committee - to be Advertised – CC contacts to form a committee. Inform SL when it is to be returned to the Agenda</p>	Clerk	ONGOING
<p>Clerk Follow up MB re. treatment of noticeboard wood and warped wooden backing – Vote on quote</p>	Clerk	ONGOING Vote as quote is received
<p>2 Cllr vacancies. SL Poster Redhorn. On Website and Noticeboards</p> <p>PRH Invite possible candidate(s) to join Meeting</p> <p>Any interest to direct to Clerk</p>	Clerk/PRH	ONGOING
<p>CATG Issue 10-20-9Agenda Notes 12.11.21 (Meeting 17.11.21)</p> <p>Updated – PM Item on 9th Feb CATG Agreed 1st stage - If a record of speeding criteria is met, then a full 20mph limit survey will follow at a cost of £2,500 for which the PC will need agreement to fund a percentage of.</p> <p>Chirton – request for 20 mph speed limit assessment</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Chirton Parish Council on 24/11/20</p> <p>Area of concern excludes A342. Speed Limit assessments are charged at £2,500 and would include all side roads within the village.</p> <p>PC to give update of requested traffic survey:</p>	ONGOING