

Chirton & Conock Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting
held at The Old School, Chirton
on Tuesday 8th November 2022 at 7.15pm

Susannah Lampard, Clerk to the Council: clerk@chirtonandconock-pc.org.uk

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**), Paul Mills, Vice-Chair (**PM**), Christopher Chapman (**CC**), Gerald Lanfear (**GL**).

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

72 Receive apologies for absence - Cllr. Paul Oatway (**PO**)

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

74 Receive and approve Minutes of Parish Council Minutes held Tuesday 11th October 2022
Resolved: Minutes of the Meeting had been circulated and agreed prior to the Meeting and were signed by the Chair. The full Minutes of the Meeting will be available to view on the PC Website.

75 Representations from Members of the Public.
Continued discussion From October Meeting (Item 61)

- **Ongoing:** Support as a Village – Food bank and open doors with donations of food or cash. School to arrange a drop off day in Church Porch. Date in December tba via Fliers and look out for information from Chirton School in Redhorn News.
Councillor PM reported that WC will be making information available regarding contributions due to the cost of living crisis facing our community. Look out for public notices on facebook and via the Wiltshire Council Website 'Cost of Living' Webpage and for locations of warm spaces via the 'Interactive Community Directory' also on Wiltshire Council Website and on village Noticeboards. If you wish to get in touch with the Parish Council please feel happy to do so. Also any families who wish to invite villagers to join them for Christmas, please get in touch with the Clerk, clerk@chirtonandconock-pc.org.uk
- **Ongoing:** Phone Box – A suggestion from the Head-teacher that School would like to support the updates and tidying of the phone box, with school-books for children. PRH backed this request.
- **Ongoing:** PC noticeboards, the cork is purchased and due to be put in place. Re-varnishing is due to be done in Spring.

76 LHFIF Item 10.22.7 (Continued from Item 62, October 2022 PC Meeting and subsequent WC Meeting October 2022). **The Street - request for raised kerbing** (approximately 55m distance) to combat verge erosion to land in front of church

Ongoing:

Cllr. PM confirmed that the survey carried out by Highways and subsequent concerns, regarding what kerbing would do to the flow of water, lead to a suggestion that bollards may be a preferred solution. Cllrs PM and PO are to attend the HFIG Meeting on Wednesday 9th November 2022 and will keep us up to date. Assessment of costs is due to be put forward by LHFIF before the PC can vote/agree to pay a proportion

77 FINANCE

a. Cash Book and Bank Reconciliation - PC Accounts to 31st October 2022

Treasurer's account :£6050.79

Savings Account : £15,555.19 Total = £21,605.98, including £11,300.32 unrestricted

Cash Book and Bank Reconciliation – Parish Hall Account to 31st October 2022

Total £1,074.73

Discussed and PROPOSED: PRH, SECONDED: PM. AGREED

a. Quotations to be discussed/agreed

- Memorial oaks - tree re-shaping and protection **Ongoing**: 8 iron tree guards £250 each **Chair to report**

b. Invoices/payments since 11th October to be agreed

Invoice date	Invoice No.	Supplier	Description	Net	Vat	Total
31-Oct	P276	B&Q	Postcrete for sarsen	£32.00	£6.40	£38.40
21-Oct	P277	Green Magic	A4 Frame	£19.95	£3.99	£23.94
02-Nov	P278	SSE	Oct 22 Electricity	£11.55	£0.57	£12.12
09-Nov	P279	IONOS	Website - Nov 22	£15.00	£3.00	£18.00
24-Oct	P277	Hurdcott Landscapes	Oct 22 Footpath Maintenance	£52.50	£10.50	£63.00
05-Nov	P280	B Elliott	Bugler - Remembrance Service	£50.00		£50.00
TOTAL				£181.00	£24.46	£205.46

Discussed and PROPOSED: PM, SECONDED: PRH. AGREED

c. **Budget Meeting – Precept Tax Base for budget meeting received from Wiltshire Council.**

d. **Asset Register – Conock Defibrillator added PROPOSED: PM, SECONDED: PRH. AGREED**

78 **Late Planning Applications** - None were received.

79 **War Memorial - Report by CC .
Ongoing:**

- A **Request for information** has been made public **via facebook** posted on 7th September and **The Redhorn News**, November 2022 edition. The PC is carrying out research on additional names of Soldiers from this Parish and Patney, who lost their lives in combat. A temporary plaque will be put up for 3 months while research is completed and information collected for inclusion on the PC Website. An invitation was made to Parishioners to comment via email to the Clerk: clerk@chirtonandconock-pc.org.uk. A temporary plaque will be put in place until the research on possible additional names is complete and then a permanent plaque bearing a QR code with links to the PC Website will be made live. Clerk: find a space on the Website in preparation for Military history and information about the Soldiers of our Parish.
- **Sarsen Stone** - The Stone has been put in position, on the corner of Small Street and The High Street, with a great deal of organisation and physical work. Thank you on behalf of the PC for all the help from local farmers and to members of the War Memorial Committee & for all their time and hard work to achieve this.
- A **Commemoration service** scheduled to be held at the new War Memorial at 10.45am on Wednesday 11th November 2022

80 **Defibrillator - Chirton.** Report by (GL) on the use of the Chirton defibrillator. The system was partly deployed as instructed by the Ambulance service at the time, but fortunately not needed. Safety checks have been carried out and the box re-assembled. The list of contact names associated with the maintenance of the Defibrillator have been confirmed with the Clerk as up to date with Community Heartbeat.

81 **The Book of Condolence dedicated to her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II**

Ongoing: from last Meeting (Item 72) October PC Minutes

The storage/display of the Condolence book was discussed and The Chair had collected some of the views of the Parish. It was discussed that, in the first instance, a scan of the messages would be put onto the PC Website.

The PC plans to approach the Devizes Museum to discuss display or storage possibilities.

If you wish to have a say, please contact the Clerk at the above address.

Options are:

- Scan for inclusion on PC Website - agreed
- Keep – Archive/display locally in the Church - it was discussed that it may be too damp for storage.
- Supply to Devizes Town Council for local Records.
- Send to Swindon History Centre for County Archive

82 **Village Hall.**

Ongoing: (from Item 70, October Meeting). Meeting with PRH re. asbestos removal and initial costings at site are still due to be assessed. Access is a consideration.

- 83 Stewards Report. Ongoing: Preparations for Winter PRH**
- The Parish Steward has been working to clear paths within the Parish of leaves, moss and mud mud and has strimmed banks in The Hollow and green at Small Street to the village boundary.
 - WC Gullies Clearance – A budget has been allocated by WC for clearance of gullies. Overgrown, silted and mud-compacted gullies on the corner of The Street and Small street and drains throughout the villages in Chirton and Conock have been dug out by a resident and PRH, photographed, to demonstrate the urgency of need for unblocking by The Chair and the issue reported as urgent. PRH was assured by WC that the Parish has been upgraded to an emergency gulley clearance requirement and that they are due to come out as soon as possible. Cllr.(P.O) offers his Support by raising the issue with Highways for action to clear drains and ditches in Small Street. Report via email from Cllr. P.O on 8.11. regarding these drains is, that, the photographs and urgent information has been passed on to highways by PO, who will continue to chase WC.
- 84 Next Parish Council Meetings to be held at The Old School, Chirton, scheduled for Tuesday 13th December 2022
Tuesday 10th January 2023**

The meeting closed at 20:40

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>	<p>Rights of Way Committee</p>	<p>ONGOING Off Agenda awaiting quotes and further information</p>
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<p>War Memorial Committee – CC PM Committee Members Research for Website and QR plaque after temporary plaque</p>	Clerk	ONGOING
<p>MB re. Cork for noticeboard Installed.</p>	Clerk	RESOLVED Invoice due
<p>Precept Application</p>	Clerk/PRH/RFO	By 18/1/23
<p>CATG/LHFIG History – PM on Speeding/20mph Item Agreed 1. 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. Chirton – request for 20 mph speed limit assessment</p> <p>037-008 – C241 Small Street, Chirton W3W Link - https://what3words.com/learn.crest.slimming</p> <p>W3W Survey Location – Attach to telegraph pole on green outside bungalow no. 15</p> <p>(please note amendment which was needed to find suitable street furniture to attach the survey unit)</p> <p>037-009 – C51 The Hollow, Chirton</p> <p>W3W Link - https://what3words.com/dynamic.glider.surpassed</p> <p>W3W Survey Location – Attach to street light no. 20 adjacent to 9 The Hollow</p> <p>TG / LHFIG Item 10.22.7 (Continued from Item 62, October 2022 PC Meeting and subsequent WC Meeting October 2022). The Street - request for raised kerbing (approximately 55m distance) to combat verge erosion to land in front of church Ongoing: Highways concerns, regarding kerbing/the flow of water, lead to a suggestion that bollards may be a preferred solution.</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Chirton Parish Council on 24/11/20 Area of concern excludes A342. Speed Limit assessments are charged at £2,500 and would include all side roads within the village.</p> <p>Cllrs PM and PO are to attend the HFIG Meeting on Wednesday 9th November 2022</p>	<p>ONGOING</p> <p>ONGOING</p>