

Chirton & Conock Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting
held at The Old School, Chirton
on Tuesday 14th March 2023 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>

Councillors Present: Phillippa Radford-Howes, Chair (**PRH**), Paul Mills, Vice-Chair (**PM**), Gerald Lanfear (**GL**), Tim Burgess (**TB**)

Officers and Attendees: Susannah Lampard (**Clerk**)
 Sharon Prance (**RFO**)
 2 Parishioners

123 Receive apologies for absence – Christopher Chapman (**CC**),

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

125 Receive and approve Minutes of Parish Council Minutes held Tuesday 14th February 2023
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.

126 Representation from Members from the public

- A letter was received (regarding item 127 below) **Clerk to respond**
- A villager also called about the drains connected from the old Village Hall to his property, and that there is roof felt coming through to his drains, this needs resolving and Cllrs will access the VH and cover the drains.. The roof also needs securing. The PC will also look at the electrics in addition to making the property secure. **PRH**
- The Clerk Reported contact from local villagers informing The PC that the dog bin at the back of Cherrington Fields is full – Our contractor Idverde were instructed to empty bins on 3.3.23 but it is still not done as at 13.3.23 although they came out on 9.3.23. A follow up call again, is required to resolve this matter. **Clerk to follow up again.**
- The Village School was raised by PM. PRH plans to meet with school to discuss future plans for school hall and site.

127 Pewsey CATG /LHFIG

Issue 10-22-7 (C&CPC 13/12/22 Item 91) Ongoing:

Erosion of village verges and protection bollards by the Church. A mixed representation of concerns and support were discussed in the meeting and subsequent to the work being carried out, action to change the placement of bollards/posts. Highways engineers again met with the PC on 21st February 2023 regarding the positioning of the new posts. A post on the path has already been removed and replaced with a blanking plate, the PC has requested to Highways that 2 posts remain either side of the church path and every other post be removed. The PC awaits approval for

these changes. Recent Positive comments from the village include, that the posts add protection for the grass verges and for the children walking from the School to the church.

It is important to highlight that discussion with the PCC last summer and villagers concerned, lead to a WC highways LHFIFG Meeting item in support of a solution, which initially included curbing, however after a Senior engineering site survey, it was resolved that poor drainage made this less viable and suggested bollards be positioned to preserve the grass verge, characteristic of the village. These bollards/posts are approved roadside furniture and stones and other such items, are not approved and as such we, The Parish Council are bound by official standards.

Issue 037-008 – C241 Small Street, Chirton **037-009** – C51 The Hollow, Chirton. **Ongoing: Chirton 20 mph speed limit assessment. Ongoing:** 31.1.23 Speed tracking fitted in the two locations. 20 mph initial speed assessment. Results of initial phase. Update by Councillor PM. We received the reports of the initial phase on 8.3.23 and the findings suggest, based on the average speed for each location, that speed watch is not a solution, where as a 20mph limit may well be. We now need to talk to LHFIFG for advice and to request a full survey and costs if LHFIFG feels a 20mph limit request is a likely outcome. A case for this needs further consideration and discussion,

128 Miller Close and Small Street – Cllr. CC and Volunteers including local farmers, carried out work to cut back overgrown hedges and remove all of the cut off branches as well as debris from ditches. It was remarked on by village how good the Street looks after the works and it is greatly appreciated. Thank you to all who were involved.

129. FINANCE

a. **Cash Book and Bank reconciliation – PC savings account to 28th February 2023.**
Savings Account : £17,579.78

b. **Cash Book and Bank reconciliation – Treasurers account to 28th February 2023.**
Treasurer's account : £133.89
Total : £, including £6650.83 unrestricted

Parish Hall Account Total £1,076.10.

c. **Quotations**

- **Wreath Stands for TB to be reimbursed.**

d. Invoices

Invoice No.	Supplier	Description	Net	Vat	Total
P304	IONOS	Website and additional storage	£18.00	£3.60	£21.60
P305	Porton Stores	wood clearing AH - repay CC	£12.00		£12.00
P306	Glasdon	Blanking Plate	£103.46	£20.69	£124.15

P307	Idverde	Emptying bins 1/7-31/12/22	£90.00	£18.00	£108.00
P308	Idverde	Emptying bins 1/1-30/6/22	£90.00	£18.00	£108.00
P309	Glasdon	Tools - post removal	£35.46	£7.09	£42.55
P310/11	Staff Salaries	Dec 22-Feb23	£814.36		£814.36
P312	SSE	Feb 23 Electricity	£6.20	£0.31	£6.51
P313	Chirton School	Use of school hall	£500.00		£500.00
P314	Voss Electric Fence	4 x wreath stands - repay TB	£27.48	£5.50	£32.98
P315	Various - Coronation	Repay GD	£112.96	£3.26	£116.22
p316	Stamps	Repay Gd	£6.65		£6.65
			£1,816.57	£76.45	£1,893.02

DISCUSSED and PROPOSED: PRH, SECONDED: PM, AGREED

e. Budget & EMR's

f. Clerks Wages December 2022 - February 2023

g. RFO Wages December 2022 - February 2023

Including timesheets to the 28th March 2023 and estimated holiday pay **DISCUSSED and PROPOSED: PRH, SECONDED: PM, AGREED.**

130. Late Planning Applications – None

131. War Memorial

- **Ongoing: Next Meeting on 10th April to review the names for the plaque**
- **Ongoing: Website:** A Link to locate Parish Military History is live and further information will link to the QR code on a plaque in due course. **PC Website www.chirtonandconock-pc.org.uk/local-information/history Clerk to call Ionos re. direct QR code link to the page**
- **Ongoing:** Flag Pole, pending quotation and agreement

132 Footpaths and Byways PM suggested that we look at resting places- sleepers or benches around the village. **PM to check permission with landowners**

133 King's Coronation Weekend 6 – 8th May 2023

Committee - Celebrations planning for an Event in the Village. The last meeting was held on Tuesday 28th February at The Old School, Chirton. PRH reported that it was well attended and road closure from 1pm – 6.30pm on Sunday 7th May has been applied for. The Chair has been in touch with the PCC to discuss lighting up the Church and to have a BBQ on the Saturday evening, the PCC support this plan. A Sunday Picnic in the street and School grounds is being planned and details are to follow. Patney and Marden may also join Chirton in The Celebrations. For further details of future meetings, please contact the Chair (PRH)

134 Stewards Report PRH

- **Ongoing:** The Chair has reported that the silted and blocked drains were due to be cleared by WC in December and then upgraded to Urgent. Despite numerous emails and calls re. this matter; drain clearance requirement is still to be resolved by WC.
- **Ongoing:** Pot Holes including a large one on the A342, that appeared as the snow melted last month were quickly reported by locals and Councillors to MyWilts App and repaired the same day..

135 Next Parish Council Meetings:

18th April 2023 - Full PC Meeting
16th May 2023 - Annual Open Meeting of the PC

The meeting closed at 20:47

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>
<p>War Memorial Committee – CC PM Committee Members</p> <p>Website Live and QR plaque due to be ordered</p> <p>Flag pole - TBD</p>	<p>Clerk Website</p>	<p>ONGOING</p>
<p>Tidy and upkeep of phone box</p>	<p>PRH to discuss with member of Parish</p>	<p>Spring Action: GB</p>
<p>Coronation Committee – Meetings– traffic orders application PM</p>	<p>CC, PRH, PM</p>	<p>ONGOING</p>

<p>CATG/LHFIG History – PM on Speeding/20mph Item 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 –20 mph speed limit assessment - Jan 23 -</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>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>Item 10.22.7 (Continued). (approximately 55m distance) to combat verge erosion to land in front of church Ongoing: Installed by WC but works due to be done after concerns raised and a further Meeting PC and Highways 21.2.23. Some ballards to be removed and a Blanking plate put in place on Path.</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 attend the LHFIG Meetings</p>	<p>ONGOING</p> <p>Backlog</p> <p>ONGOING</p>
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