

## **CHERITON BISHOP PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the Council which took place on Monday 9th January 2017  
in the Spalding Hall Church Lane at 7.30 pm

**1/17 Present:** Councillor Gill Westcott Chairman  
Councillors Phil Dicker, Peter Endacott, Kim Bastyan, Christopher Carter,  
Dennis Milton  
District Councillor Derek Coren, The Clerk Derek Madge and 20 members of the public

### **2/17 Public Open Session**

Several M.O.P.s raised the issue of the month long proposed road closure from Lewdown Cross to Four Crossways for bridge repairs. There were concerns about the diversion route being unsuitable for HGVs and school buses and the lack of notice to many properties and businesses affected by the closure, it would also cause problems for people with surgery appointments. Councillor Coren had spoken to Jacobs the contractor concerned and asked if traffic lights could be used instead of full road closure Jacobs responded the road was too narrow to allow protection for the workforce. They did agree to look at other diversion routes which would be much longer. Councillor Coren had requested a site visit

### **3/17 The leader of M.D.D.C. Councillor Clive Eginton attended the meeting**

Councillor Eginton explained the current position of the Devolution South West proposal. The bid had 23 partners made up of 17 local authorities, 3 CCGs 1 enterprise and 2 National Parks. They had decided they did not want an elected Mayor, the Growth Plan for the area had a number of objectives. They were, want a greater say in transport, super fast broadband, skills for young people, employment support, more housing, health and well being. On offer from the government was 30 million pounds over 30 years. M.D.D.C. had also joined in the Greater Exeter group which consisted of E.C.C. T.D.C. E.D.C. to make a strategic plan for the area. On other matters the Local Plan has now been signed off there is a minor modification for Cheriton Bishop on land off Church Lane which is changed to 20 dwellings. M.D.D.C. will be setting its budget in February. He said he would speak to Officers about the road closure mentioned in the public session

### **4/17 Apologies:**

Councillors Tim Vooght, Sasha Metters, County Councillor Nick Way, District Councillor Peter Heal

### **5/17 Declaration of Interest**

None

### **6/17 Dispensation Requests**

None

### **7/17 Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting on Monday 12th December 2016 had been circulated and it was resolved they be taken as read and signed as a correct record after a minor amendment to those present

### **8/17 Matters Arising**

None

### **9/17 Chairman & Councillor's reports**

Chairman raised the matter of the road closure mentioned in the public session. Agreed to write to Jacobs and D.C.C. asking why we did not receive a notice as is usual, why can't traffic lights or a convey system be used instead of the diversions, why does it need such a long closure. We request that if a meeting is arranged the parish council is notified

Chairman reported that the former hospital at Moretonhampstead is not likely to become a Community Hub. The Hospital friends have some funds to dispose of and they are considering how to dispose of it, Chairman would draft an article for the newsletter. There was some discussion on the use of the Village Green the grass cutting had been arranged it was suggested the village clean up could focus on this area

### **10/17 District and County Councillors reports**

Councillor Coren reported the Enforcement Officer is monitoring Southcombe Hill and Vennbridge Grange, Councillors expressed concern about the lack of action at Southcombe Hill. Hedge cutting by B.T. had been a problem when broadband was being installed

### **11/17 Clerks report and questions for the Clerk**

Letter from resident ref bus shelter and road signs, Councillors thought the items mentioned were in Drewsteignton parish

Provisionally agreed the Annual Parish meeting would be the 27th March

Clerk was meeting with Air Ambulance on the 20th Jan ref night landing site

Reply from Savills ref the Glebe rent. They apologised for the wrong review date, they stated that as the licence was silent on back dating they could see no reason for not agreeing a backdated rent review. They offered two options, agree a rent review with effect June 2016 using the RPI figure from June 2013 to June 2016 with a backdated payment this would increase the rent to £ 301, or wait for a review to take effect in June 2017 based on the RPI increase from June 2013 to June 2017. After discussion about making a further challenge it was agreed to accept the rent increase from June 2016.

### **12/17 Planning applications**

16/01929/CAT 2 Croft Cottages Cheriton Bishop

Notification of intention to pollard one ash tree within the conservation area. No objections

16/01963/FULL Checkers Stores Cheriton Bishop Retention and repositioning of three condenser units and erection of acoustic enclosure. Notice had been received of an update to the application on the day of the meeting. Agreed to circulate the information and Chairman would respond to the Clerk

16/01874/FULL Medland Manor Cheriton Bishop Conversion of stable building to dwelling  
No comment

16/01941/HOUSE Wisteria House Cheriton Bishop Conversion of garage to annexe  
No comment

### **13/17 Planning decisions**

16/01692/HOUSE 10 Hescane Park Cheriton Bishop

Erection of a 0.9m high trellis on existing 2m high wooden rear boundary fence. Approved

16/01653/PNCOU Land and Buildings at NGR 275669 95145 (Wolfgar Farm) Cheriton Bishop  
Prior notification for the change of use of agricultural building to dwelling under Class Q  
Change of use acceptance

### **14/17 Budget and Precept for 2017/18**

A draft budget had been circulated with the agenda. After discussion and consideration of the extra expenses forecast for 2017/18 including replacing the bus shelters and grass cutting on the Village Green. It was unanimously resolved to approve the budget and increase the precept to £ 10,497.00 a 15% increase

**15/17 To consider quotes for bus shelters**

Still waiting for further quotes. Agreed to approach local business's for support

**16/17 To consider options for the Road Warden scheme**

D.C.C. had announced a Community enhancement fund to help with the costs of setting up a scheme it was agreed to try and find a volunteer to take on the role. Insurance cover needed to be clarified

**17/17 Accounts for payment figures in bracket are VAT content**

a. Clerks salary	£ 358.24
b. Clerks expenses mileage phone calls	£ 22.60
c. SLCC subscription	£ 103.00
d. HM Revenue and Customs	£ 268.60
e. St Thomas Stationers newsletter paper (£ 56.04)	£ 336.24

Resolved to approve payments

**18/17 Public open Session**

None

Chairman

Date