

CHEDDON FITZPAINE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 7.00pm on Thursday, 12 September 2019

In the Committee Room of the Memorial Hall at Cheddon Fitzpaine TA2 8JY.

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Present: Parish Cllrs Webber, Woollacott, Isaacs, Baker, Batsch, West; **SCC Cllr** Fraschini; **SWTC D Cllrs** Tully, Pritchard, & Cavill; **WM PC** Chair S Haskins, WM Cllr Hall (Chairman of Working Party for Country Park), & WM Assistant Clerk Mrs T Cavill; **SWT** Planning Officer Andrew Penna; **SWT** Engagement Lead Officer Claire Thackray, Rev T Hallett.

Clerk: Mrs J Pearson. One member of the public

- 1. Apologies for absence:** SCC Cllr Fothergill; K Tutill NP Chairman of Delivery Group.
- 2. Declarations of personal/prejudicial/disclosable pecuniary interests/amendments to the Register of Interests.** Cllr West, personal, for 08/19/0023; Cllr Isaacs, personal for 38/19/0262;
- 3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8 August 2019:** It was **resolved** to approve the Minutes of the meeting. All in agreement.

Public Question Time: A member of the public referred to the Neighbourhood Plan item.

4. Reports:

SCC Cllr Fraschini reported on behalf of Cllr Fothergill:

School transport: For the first time in over 25 years SCC will be operating their own school bus fleet from the beginning of the new school year. The low emission buses represent a major investment into school transport service delivery whilst saving the County Council money.

Castles and Coast Way: A new walking trail in a less travelled but beautiful part of Somerset is now open to the public. The Castles and Coast Way is a 13-mile circular footpath which runs from Nether Stowey to Stogursey and on to the Somerset coast at Shurton Bars.

Apprenticeships: Over the past three years, SCC has invested in more than 300 apprenticeships, helping people get started on their career and up skilling existing staff to further their career.

Stand Up For Care: Three major local government bodies have given their backing to SCCs Stand Up For Care petition. This calls for cross-party discussions before Christmas on how to address the national social care funding shortfall and can be found at www.petition.parliament.uk website and searching 'Somerset'.

Shared Lives Service: Somerset County Council; has agreed to transfer this service to Shared Lives South West (SLSW), in a move that will see more people with different needs benefit from the life-changing support.

iAero: An £8m cutting-edge aerospace technology centre in Yeovil is taking off with construction work starting on site. SCC is working with the aerospace industry.

Squibbers Way: Somerset County Council recently asked the residents to help find a new permanent name for the £18.4 million Colley Lane Southern Access Road (CLSAR). (Squibbing, featuring twohanded firework torches held overhead, is an intrinsic part of Bridgwater Carnival).

Emotional and Mental Health Support: The dates for the next Mental Health First Aid Course are the 9th and 16th October 2019. Full details are available from lfinnis@somerset.gov.uk

Nerrols School/Nerrols Drive: The new primary school has opened and concern has arisen from local residents regarding road safety. SCC Highway Officers are investigating and a full road safety audit is being undertaken. A request for 'School' signs to be erected in the vicinity.

Health & Well Being Grant: £750 to be granted to Rev Hallett for setting up a Toddler Group on Northwalls; and £500 available for Parish Councillors to request.

SWTC D Cllr Cavill reported:

SWT Council Core Strategy Review is underway with consultation until the end of September 2019.

The Build programme is for 995 houses per year to 2028, with a minimum of 702 per year.

West Somerset & Taunton planning areas have anomalies: Village envelopes are included in Taunton, but were excluded in West Somerset. Cheddon PC to comment to protect the village envelope.

Hartnells: in West Monkton, the new roundabout is off site with temporary traffic lights for a 26-week build.

Bawler Road: as above, have sewer and pipework being undertaken.

WRR: once the preliminary work has been done, the WRR build can start (6-9 month build).

SWT Cllr Tully:

The Coal Orchard and Cattle Market site to commence work imminently.

Safe Route to School on Northwalls Grange/A3259 side – this item was brought up at WM PC meeting on 10.9.2019, and SCC Fothergill requested information from SCC Alyn Jones. Email received 18.9.2019 to be circulated.

SWT Cllr Pritchard

Everyone Active: a new initiative at the Leisure Centres has introductory membership, and a mobile phone app which is very accessible.

Electric Scooters have been reported using the canal towpath. It has been established there is an 18mph speed limit, are legal on roads, but it appears there is an anomaly regarding the canal towpath and therefore unenforceable by police.

5. **SWT Engagement Lead, Claire Thackray:** was welcomed to the meeting and introduced to all Councillors present. Her role began in May 2019 and is tasked with working collaboratively with everyone within the area which includes Cheddon Fitzpaine parish. She is to meet everyone, and covers 'any need'; also, to promote well-being and the natural environment; and is working well with the Parish Clerk. Works undertaken include the replacement of the damaged gate and posts to the attenuation pond at Waterleaze, strimming extensive brambles by No 2/4 Waterleaze, considerable footpath clearance on Summerleaze footpaths prior to the new school opening, and the scheduling of autumn maintenance. Clerk & CT to work on item regarding Bus Shelters, and other matters – see below.

Next item brought up the agenda:

Planning Application: Nerrols Phase 2 –Link Road, DWH 08/19/0001 – amended plans.

SWT Planning Officer Andrew Penna briefed Parish Councillors on the new road outline giving the current reasoning of the space for the provision of the 'link road' of suitable width and suitable capacity. Does this meet the concerns of the parish? The response will decide whether the planning application can continue under Delegated Powers or to go to Planning Committee. SCC Highways consider the tests have been met and will be put through for full technical comment. AP sees no reason to refuse. Cllr Woollacott stated "This route has to be protected" and requires comment from SCC to look at the issue of the 'aspiration' for the future. A recommendation is made that there is 'no parking' on the estate road leading to the Link section. Further correspondence from SWTC AP to SCC Cllr Fothergill received 16.9.2019:

'I attended the Cheddon Parish Council meeting last Thursday and explained the latest drawings produced by DWH for the 'Nerrols' 2 Reserved Matters submission. Those drawings, which have been technically assessed by SCC Highways, demonstrate that the link road can be delivered in the future, within the 15m corridor required by the Nerrols Outline pp S106.

Final SCC Highways comments are awaited, but I expect that these will confirm this technical position, With regards to the Northern Relief Road, the position has not changed from the SWT perspective. The road is as an 'aspiration'; It has not been referred to as a 'protected' or 'safeguarded' route because it is not a defined highway scheme in a Local transport Plan or similar strategic highway plan.

The Staplegrove road is a 'Spine Road', the route of which has been set in the Staplegrove applications. The route allows for a road to be delivered which can serve the development and cater for traffic in excess of this. This was the basis on which the successful HIF bid was made.

The PC response is on SWTC website.

6. **Maidenbrook Country Park (MCP):**

Item held in camera at end of PC meeting. Separate confidential Minutes were taken.

WM Cllr Alan Hall reported: the logo competition to all schools within the NP area has been launched to find a logo for the MCP; the closing date is 31st October 2019. IWA volunteers have cleared a section of Allen's Brook as requested.

Somerset wood: volunteers continue to come forward, and to request information re winter planting. Cllr Fothergill requested to draft email re update.

- 7. Neighbourhood Plan: Report by WM Assistant Clerk:** A meeting took place with Ann Rhodes, SWT NP Officer to oversee the WM & CF NP Review; this is the first in the area and takes place every two years. It is thought that the finished document will require the Examiner's approval, and it may or may not go to Referendum. This adds time, but would be a material consideration by developers in the meantime. Amendments have been made to the existing policies and realigned to the Taunton Garden Town Vision with cross referencing to documents. The purpose of the questionnaire going to all residents in both parishes is to collect evidence from existing and new residents, using as a basis a document supplied by AR. WM Assistant Clerk has worked extensively on this project, supported by CF Clerk. The questionnaire to be sent to all properties with the option of a reply-paid envelope or the ability to complete the survey online with Survey Monkey. The cost is estimated in the region of £4,500, and this to be split on the 73/27% basis proportionately. It was **resolved** to approve payment on this basis: all in agreement. There may be further grants to claim from Locality in future. A local resident confirmed that Gadds/Happy Valley and the green road triangle at Upper Cheddon is now in private ownership and therefore this is to be removed from the next version of the NP.
- 8. Cheddon Ward:**
New Parish notice board in the Pyrland Fields area is being discussed. Clerk had site visit with Summerfield Developers; a suitable location is in the ownership of Stonewater Housing, and clerk is following up.
Upper Cheddon notice board: has historically been on this triangle of land which is now in the ownership of local landowner. Clerk to compose an MOU agreement for this to continue with the landowner's permission. It is requested the height of the board is lowered; clerk to arrange with lengthsman.
Road drains: temporarily blocked after rain, reported to SCC, and cleared.
- 9. Maidenbrook Ward:**
Bus Shelter and seats: this has been requested by residents using the CMC Dr's surgery, Venture Way. Clerk to follow up with Engagement Lead Officer re Nerrols S106 Travel Plan funds, & Hinckley Point grants.
Gabians update: further model testing is being undertaken by Bovis to satisfy EA requirements.
Viridor: Compost misting suggestion of spraying water at time of turning compost is already taking place. Notification was received by local residents prior to turning on 21.8.2019.
Picnic table seat damaged; damaged section removed. Quote for repair requested.
Summerleaze estate: Residents advise of vegetation issues at Summerleaze (see item 5). To be followed up with Engagement Lead Officer for autumn clearance.
Nerrols School/District Centre: Site visit to Nerrols School 30.8.2019 by Parish Councillors who were very impressed by the facilities. The Parish Councillors offer the Head Teacher every success in this venture.
Tree TPOs: - SWTC permission was granted within Nerrols School boundary for removal as unsafe; (removed 22.8.2019).
A second tree on DWH land: SWTC Tree Officer followed up regarding reports of a tree removed within DWH site:
 "JP Associates: It was T16 (ash) on the Tree Constraints Plan for 08/15/0012. It was categorised as a 'U', which means in poor condition and OK to remove."
DWH/Barratt footpaths request to be cleared prior to school opening, and an area of tarmac to be laid.
Crown land at Nerrols (District Centre site) – ragwort cleared by 18.8.2019.
Nerrols Farmhouse: The Crown are advertising the sale via Stags.
Stoney Furlong: Flytipping adjacent to road reported, and partially cleared.
- 10. Highways:**
Nerrols Primary School. New yellow road markings to be placed on Nerrols Drive and Summerleaze Crescent junction shortly.
Western Relief Road: The issue of the 'found' pipe has been resolved and work on the WRR can recommence shortly.
- 11. Planning Applications:**
08/19/0023 -Erection of a wooden canopy to the side elevation of Medicia Cottage, Maidenbrook Lane, Cheddon Fitzpaine. No objection.
08/19/0024 - Erection of an agricultural multi-purpose storage building at Pyrland Farm, Cheddon Road. No objection.

38/19/0262 - Erection of a single storey rear extension and erection of 1 No. 2 bedroom dwelling adjacent to 64 Bossington Drive, Taunton. Information sought from Planning Officer & SCC Highways regarding the property boundary to protect land ownership prior to commenting.

08/19/0001 Nerrols Phase 2 –Link Road, DWH– amended plans. Following the briefing earlier in the parish meeting, Councillors accept the road width is provided which satisfies the S106 requirement. However, it was agreed there should be a condition of ‘no parking’ on the ‘link road’ section of the estate road.

Follow up of Enforcement in Tudor Park region: to be followed up by SWT Council team.

SCC/3652/2019 Variation of Condition 16 (use of external sports facilities) of Planning Permission reference: 4/08/18/0004/OB to allow increased hours/days of use by community groups of the external sports facilities for a temporary period of 3 years. Agree in principle, but with a restriction that all parking is within the school area so no disturbance to local residents is caused.

12. Planning Decisions:

08/19/0013 Erection of an agricultural multi-purpose storage building at Pyrland Farm, Cheddon Road, Taunton -CONDITIONAL APPROVAL

08/19/0019/T Application to fell one ash tree included in Taunton Deane Borough (Cheddon Fitzpaine No.2) Tree Preservation Order 1997 at 20 Hale Way, Taunton (TD708) - approved

08/19/0021/T - Notification to fell one cypress tree within Hestercombe Conservation Area near to Middle Lodge, Hestercombe

Awaiting Decision

08/18/0028 *Relocation of Conquest Equestrian Centre with the erection of office facilities, flat, cafe, indoor and outdoor arena, stable block, parking facilities and associated works on land at Maidenbrook Lane*

08/19/0001 *Application for approval of reserved matters following outline application 08/10/0024 in respect of the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 237 No. dwellings with associated works on land off Nerrols Drive, Taunton*

08/19/0022/T- *Notification to fell 6 ash trees, 4 elms, 6 Robinias and one sweet chestnut and to coppice 4 lime trees within Hestercombe Conservation Area in three areas of Hestercombe Gardens, Hestercombe.*

38/19/0129 *Erection of a residential development of up to 347 No. dwellings (87 No. affordable) with associated access, infrastructure, open space (formal and informal) and landscaping on land off Lyngford Lane, Taunton*

Chairman left the meeting: Vice Chair took the Chair.

13. Reports:

Church: Rev Tracey Hallett thanked the meeting for the article and photograph in the last newsletter referring to her Ordination. Her work includes working in Cheddon School; and she is on the Ethos Committee. Two pop-up play sessions have taken place on the new development, a Fun Day was held at Cheddon Hall in August for 55 children. Plans also include a toddler group at Nerrols Primary School, establishing a Residents Association and Neighbourhood Watch on the new estate. DWH donated funds for a successful residents’ summer BBQ. A group session to be established for a ‘quiet space’.

Pastoral Care Group: No report.

Cheddon School: New member of staff settling in, and Cllr Woollacott re-elected as Chair of Governors.

Memorial Hall: No report.

Nerrols Primary School: Opened on 5 September 2019 with a comprehensive website for information.

14. Administration:

Clerk attended a monthly meeting with Planning Officer Andrew Penna for briefing on all planning matters.

Creech St Michael – Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 16, and Referenda 10 October 2019.

Consultation on phone boxes for removal – Cheddon box is excluded because it is Listed.

Electric Charging Points: After liaison with Hall Trustees, it was agreed not to proceed until more information is known.

Welcome Letter: This has been updated, and the new Nerrols Primary School added to the draft. Approved by all, and a **resolution** was passed to print 200 for distribution to the new houses. All in agreement.

15. Finance:

NatWest Signatory: confirmation received Cllr West added as a signatory.

Precept received from SWT: second and final instalment £12,425.50 -6.9.2019

Burial & Footpath grant received from SWTC: £520 (£320/200).

Health & Wellbeing Grant from SCC: (Cllr Frascini) An opportunity to request up to £500 for a project. It was agreed to request the sum towards the cost of a Portable defibrillator for the Country Park. Clerk to administer.

ICO – Data Protection: DD -£35.00 15.9.2019

Payments for Authorisation: it was **resolved** to approve the payment of £320 Burial Grant to Cheddon Parochial Church Council. All in agreement.

Payments for Authorisation:

<u>Payments September 2019</u>	Amount	VAT	Pay Date
Burnham Portable Toilet Hire (August) (C.Park)	£105.60	£ 17.60	13.9.2019
Parochial Church Council	£320.00		13.9.2019
Grants: (as per Minutes 16.5.2019)			
CAB	£100.00		13.9.2019
Love Musgrove	£100.00		13.9.2019
Arc	£100.00		13.9.2019
MIND	£100.00		13.9.2019
St Margaret’s Hospice	£100.00		13.9.2019
Mrs P J Pearson – Aug mileage expenses £40.95			
Homeworking August <u>£18.00</u>			
	£58.95		13.9.2019
Mrs P J Pearson – August Salary £707.98			
Mrs P J Pearson – August overtime <u>£58.35</u>			
	£766.33		
minus August NI £15.39 <u>15.39</u>			
	£750.94		30.9.2019
<i>HMRC August NI £15.39+£17.70=</i> <i>£33.09</i>			
<i>Less Current HMRC Credit is £19.54</i> <u>£19.54</u>			
	£13.55		13.9.2019
Inform HMRC RTI (August) £750.94			30.9.2019
	<u>Total: £1,749.04</u>		

To Note Debit Card:

9.8.2019	Morrisons extension lead/sympathy card	£6.00
15.9.2019	ICO DD	£35.00

It was **resolved to pay** the above by cheque/internet banking:

Proposed: Cllr West, Seconded: Cllr Baker

16. Matters raised by Councillors:

Cllr Isaacs suggested a Projector Screen be purchased to aid visual presentations. Cllr JW & Clerk to investigate.

17. Correspondence: circulated:

Next Parish Council meeting: 10 October 2019 at 7.00pm

Meeting closed: 10.00 pm

Denise Webber (signature on original)

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Chairman