#### **CHEDDON FITZPAINE PARISH COUNCIL**

# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 7.00pm on Monday 13th March 2023

In the Committee Room of the Memorial Hall at Cheddon Fitzpaine TA2 8JY www.cfpc.co.uk

Present: Parish Cllrs Woollacott, Batsch, Wilson & West.

**In attendance:** Mrs S Millard-Jones, Clerk, Mrs K Welsh, WM Clerk. Cllrs Tully & Fothergill and approximately 4 members of the public.

Cllr Woollacott chaired the meeting.

- 03/01 To receive apologies for absence: Parish Cllrs Isaacs & Baker. SCC Cllrs Deakin & Cavill.
- 03/02 To receive declarations of personal/prejudicial/disclosable pecuniary interests: None
- **To approve Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 13**<sup>th</sup> **February 2023.** The minutes from the Meeting of the Parish Council on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023 having been previously circulated, were taken as read. It was **resolved** to approve the Minutes.

#### **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:**

Memorial Hall users had noticed numerous cars frequenting the site late in the evening. The PCSO's and Neighbourhood Watch group have been informed.

### 03/04 Reports:

SCC Cllr Deakin shared a report ahead of the meeting: This will be put on the website.

SCC Cllr Fothergill to send over the report which will also be put on the website.

SWT Cllr Tully was thanked for his service to CFPC.

# 03/05 Joint Projects with West Monkton:

#### a. Maidenbrook Country Park & Somerset Wood: (R)

WM Clerk is still awaiting an update on the success of the lottery application to fund the upcoming events. Dates for the diary; Kings Coronation will be held on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> of May. There will be a marquee, refreshments, games, food and drink stalls and hopefully some music.

There will be an Easter egg hunt on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> of April. This will be a chargeable event but will be kept to approximately £2 depending on the cost of sourcing prizes.

Cllr Batsch received an award for service to the community from SCC at the Chair's Award Ceremony. Members thanked Cllr Batsch for his ongoing contribution.

#### b. Community Fridge.

ITV is visiting the Community Fridge and will be there to also talk about the stay and play and the warm hub.

- **O3/06 Cheddon Ward:** PCSO Wearmouth had arranged a bike marking event at Nerrols and this was well attended. The Clerk had contacted Highways regarding obtaining further speed data and resultantly PC Cox had emailed stating that the only way forward for parishes is to install speed indicator devices (SID). The asset register has been amended to reflect the changes from the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2023.
- **O3/07 SID (R)** To consider the purchase and location of a SID. To consider posts, location and ongoing costs. The Clerk had shortlisted three devices and summarised the benefits and disadvantages of each. It was proposed to purchase the Elan City SID with the hope that the WM lengthsman can help with re-siting.

It was **resolved** to approve in principle the four posts and locations at a cost of £250 per post, along with the Elan City SID, dependent on the result of the Judicial Review.

# 03/08 Telephone Box (R) To approve defib training at a cost of £250.

The Defib has been registered on the circuit. Registered to TA2 8JU. What3words. Galloped.ordeals.runner The unit comes with a free 7 year warranty which has been upgraded to 10 year warranty for free. Registered on heartsafe website – locates all defibs. Registered on the circuit for emergency services.

Guardian of the defib to check daily/weekly but at least every 3 months.

Defib training. The Clerk had ascertained plenty of interest to attend a defib training session. It was **resolved** to approve funding the training providing there are around ten residents that can attend.

# 03/09 Maidenbrook Ward:

The adoption of Waterleaze had been chased to no avail, however this will become the responsibility of the Town Council from 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2023.

A resident had contacted the PC regarding a tree along the footpath behind Warres Road. David Gally had been informed of the concerns and after investigation, the plan is to cut back the ivy surrounding the tree and to place a post at the back of it so that annual measurements can be taken. Accessibility along Venture Way has also been reported due to a wheelchair user getting in contact and raising their concerns.

**03/10 Highways**: The crossing that was due to be installed in November 2022 is now scheduled for the end of May 2023.

#### 03/11 Planning Applications (R)

**08/23/0006/NMA** Application for a Non-Material Amendment to application 08/19/0001 for alterations to plots 135 and 136 on land of Nerrols Drive, Taunton – to support.

**08/23/0009** Variation of Condition No. 02 (restriction of the range of services to be offered) of application 08/93/0015at Unit M1 & M2 Crown Industrial Estate, Venture Way, Priorswood, Taunton – to support **08/23/0010** Erection of roofing over silage clamp at Pyrland Farm, Cheddon Road. – to support

Report on applications considered under delegated powers: None.

# **Planning Decisions:**

**08/23/0001/T** Application to carry out management works to one Willow tree included in Taunton Deane Borough (Cheddon Fitzpaine No.1) Tree Preservation Order 1994 at Glebe Cottage, Maidenbrook Lane, Cheddon Fitzpaine (TD603) – Conditional Approval

**08/22/0021/T** Notification to fell three Sycamore trees and to carry out management works to one Yew, one Bay, one Birch and one Whitebeam tree within Cheddon Fitzpaine – No objection.

# 03/12 Reports:

**Nerrols:** The children will be celebrating Red Nose Day on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March with a £1 donation and accessorising school uniform with something red.

Church: No report

**Cheddon school:** Governors continue to await the SIAMS inspection and are working on improving the outside space.

Memorial Hall: Mr Burnett donated an oak tree to replace the tree that was felled in February.

### **03/13** Local Community Networks: No update

### 03/14 Finance:

# a) Approval of Payments & Receipts (R)

# **Payments**

| To whom               | Description   | Net       | VAT   | Total     | Pay Date | Confirmed on bank Statement |
|-----------------------|---|-----------|-------|-----------|----------|-----------------------------|
| S Millard-<br>Jones   | March Salary,<br>Homeworking &<br>Mileage, PAYE & NI<br>(-NEST) | £1,116.45 | £3.38 | £1,119.83 | 31/03/23 |                             |
| Memorial<br>Hall      | Jan meetings  | £33.75    | £     | £33.75    | 16/03/23 |                             |
| Character<br>Graphics | Signs for bus shelters  | £49.00    | £9.80 | £58.80    | 16/03/23 |                             |

### **Debit Card/Direct Debit: To note:**

| To whom   | Description             | Net    | VAT   | Total  | Pay Date | Confirmed on bank Statement |
|-----------|-------------------------|--------|-------|--------|----------|-----------------------------|
| SWS       | Email addresses         | £36.80 | £7.36 | £44.16 | 02/02/23 |                             |
| NEST      | Pension                 | £39.76 | £     | £39.76 | 31/03/22 |                             |
| Microsoft | Monthly<br>Subscription | £9.40  | £1.88 | £11.28 | 19/03/23 |                             |
| SWS       | Hosting Inv             | £24.00 | £4.80 | £28.80 | 20/03/23 |                             |

#### **Receipts: To note:**

| Bank interest |       | £0.01     |
|---------------|-------|-----------|
| VAT           |       | £4,548.66 |
|               | TOTAL | £4,548.67 |

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

# b) Approval of the bank reconciliation (R)

Main Account £34,518.54
CIL Account £21.50
NSI Account £3,123.62

CP Account £

Total £37,663.66

It was **resolved** to approve the bank reconciliation

# c) Financial Commitments from 1st April 2023 (R)

SID, posts, defib training and Country Park contribution.

### d) To consider quotes for next financial year (R) Insurance & bins

The Clerk has amended the street furniture value to £7,000 for insurance purposes and the list of assets transferring over to the Town Council was sent in February to Marcus Prouse. Bin cost has increased to £7.33 per empty for 2023/24.

### **03/15** Audit (R) To appoint the Internal Auditor

It was **resolved** to appoint Jill Larcombe as the internal auditor for the accounts year 2022/23.

**03/16** Clerk Admin (R) To consider meeting dates and frequency.

It was **resolved** to hold the April meeting and May meeting along with the Annual Meeting of the Parish as planned and review late April.

03/17 Clerk contract amendments (R) Confidential session to discuss contracted hours.

It was **resolved** to approve the 3 hours for the Clerk remaining within the parish along with a homeworking allowance.

03/18 Community Governance Review Update (R) Confidential session to discuss legal negotiations.

Unitary Council have advised that they will be looking to recover the costs from Cheddon. Email sent to Cllr Deakin confirming the legal costs to date and confirmation that no resolution has been passed to spend future sums. Elections for the Town Council are the 4<sup>th</sup> of May.

03/19 Correspondence: None

# 03/20 Items for next agenda:

- Meeting dates for remainder of 2024
- Wessex Water update

**2023 Dates:** 11th April (Tuesday due to bank holiday), 9th May (Tuesday due to bank holiday), 12th June, 10th July, 14th August (provisional), 9th October, 13th November, 4th December (please note that this is the first Monday of the month, not the second as per usual).

| Meeting closed at 21.28pm |
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| Chair                     |