

## CHEDDON FITZPAINE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016 in the Memorial Hall Committee Room

**Present:** Cllrs Batsch, Durham, Webber(Chairman), Woollacott, D Cllrs Cavill, Tucker  
Parish Clerk: Mrs P Cavil (Locum clerk).

**1. Apologies:** Cllrs Isaacs, Thompson, D Cllr Townsend, C Cllr D Fothergill.

**2. Declarations** of personal/prejudicial interest/disclosable pecuniary interest – Cllr Woollacott reported that he had amended the Register of Disclosable Interests held by TDBC to include that he is the Chairman of the Governors at the Primary School.

**3. Minutes** of the Parish Council meeting held on 11 February 2016. It was **resolved** to approve the minutes unanimously. **Matters arising** – none.

**Public Question Time** – none present

**4. Neighbourhood Plan:** Cllr Woollacott reported that 91 responses had been received on line, of which 73 were complete. Copies had been sent to Mark Pollock (Consultant) so that he can make a start on analysing the responses. Data is emerging, using the SM analytical tools.

**5. Cheddon ward** issues: The footpath at Cheddon Lawns had been cleared and tidied. Messy Church has been cancelled for the time being.

**6. Maidenbrook Ward** issues:

**Maidenbrook adoption:**the adoption process is on-going. The children's play contribution funds (generated by the Upper Cheddon Manor Farm Barns) will need to be spent by 12/08/2017. The difficulties regarding lack of adoption of Maidenbrook and the lack of other public open space, nearer to the site where the development took place that generated the funds, were noted.

**New Nerrols:** Cllr Woollacott reported the new school will become part of an Academy chain; determined by tender. Work has started in the field.

**Nerrols/Summerleaze/Stony Furlong:** the response from DWH regarding the second bus stop was noted. No further progress to report on asphaltting path. **Health and Wellbeing grant** from C Cllr M Adkins had been received: this is designated for the picnic tables and concrete plinths at Stony Furlong. All agreed that Stony Furlong had now been brought up to muster. Future grants should focus on other play areas (largely depending on successful adoption of Maidenbrook).

**Reports: TDBC** Cllr Cavill reported on a meeting with himself, D Noad Crown Estate, and I Clarke TDBC. The green park work is progressing. Three footpaths are to be improved: Cheddon Lawns, M Ganges' field, path from school to church. Funds to assist improvement of the track to the church will be available from SCC. Crown Estate is happy with the proposed 'Safe Route to School' along the north side of the hedge on A3259: the 20 year road plan in Taunton Deane will include a rapid transit route from Walford Park and Ride to the station. A suggestion being considered to upgrade footpath to bridleway from Yallands Hill to Maidenbrook Lane.

**7. Crown Estate:** - none

**8. Update from Hestercombe House and Garden Trust:** the contents of the letter sent by P White on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2016 were noted; including the implication that funds would be needed. Leader scheme for funding would be relevant. A survey was being done – probably by the Trustees land surveyor. It was reported that the parking situation is improving: the cars coming for school delivery and collection are now parking appropriately, although the large number of attendees for the regular Tuesday event fail to park considerately.

**9. Highways: Maidenbrook Lane** (Field Cottage) blocked drain finally jetted and the gully cleared by SCC after two years. **SID report for Lyngford Lane** was noted – median speed still over the 36mph so SID will remain on the rota. **Nerrols Drive SID** installation will be 24<sup>th</sup> October. Reference was made to SID results from Goosenford whilst the A3259 was closed – showed an extra 500 cars per day were using the route, and median speed was 36mph.

## 10. Reports:

**School:** Cllr Woollacott reported on the Primary school which is oversubscribed. The maximum is 150 and by September there will be 150 pupils. The max PAN (published attendance number) is 21. The popularity is due to the good result achieved (this in tandem with St Andrews). The CEO of the Trust had resigned – Finance Officer, Director of Learning Standards, headmaster of the school are jointly caretaking. An appointment is anticipated for September. As more schools join the Bath and Wells Multi Academy Trust, so regional hubs will be created.

**Hall:** Cllr Batsch reported that Chairman Malcolm Lown has been given a mandate from the Trustees to pursue matters with Hestercombe regarding the parking issues.

**Pastoral Care:** Nil report, but it was noted that 'Messy Church' had been cancelled.

**Heritage Trail:** Nil report.

**Police:** Nil report.

**Footpaths:** Nil report: Clerk asked to ensure a report is available for the next meeting.

## 12. Planning applications:

**08/16/0010** (amended scheme to 08/15/0022). The Parish Council has no further comments beyond those submitted for 08/15/0022: for the record these were:

Previous comments made by the Parish Council stand: Over development of the overall site, issues over flooding or drainage run-off, and a request that following the completion of the building of Millbrook, Brook View and Park View that the road surface is completed allowing 'adoption' of the site to take place.

**34/16/0007** Staplegrove planning application. The Parish Council of Cheddon Fitzpaine is pleased to support the higher spine route for this development in connection at Kingston Road which abuts the Cheddon Fitzpaine Parish boundary. This proposed road and roundabout will assist in the potential link to Nerrols Drive. Concern was expressed that once the traffic exits the spine road, they have two options to carry on their journey.

1. Travel up to Kingston and across to Upper Cheddon and carry on passed Hestercombe & South Lodge.
2. Travel down Kingston Road, and then turn into Hope Lane, which is a narrow road, and constrains traffic.

Neither of these routes are suitable for an enhanced upper spine road just ending.

The Cheddon Fitzpaine Parish Council is pleased to note that the landscaping and proposed tree planting within the red planning boundary surrounds the area earmarked for Light Industrial Use (though this is not in this application).

**12. Planning decisions:** Planning decisions made by TDBC were noted: 08/15/0022 (but see above) 08/16/0002, 08/16/0006/T. All the decisions were conditional, for conditions see TDBC website.

**13. Electoral Review:** Cllr Woollacott reported on the Electoral Review meeting convened by TDBC, attended by himself and J Pearson, Clerk. He outlined the time frame, and the considerations. Cheddon is a split parish, by both District and County. When TD officers and D Cllrs have agreed how many Councillors there will be on TD Borough Council (expected to be circa 42) then the boundaries of the Parishes will be adjusted to fit, so that each D Cllr will have about 2000 electorate to look after. After the TD Council number is published, individuals and Councillors will be able to comment – all comments are equally weighted – probably in May or June.

## 14. Annual Parish Meeting: 17.3.2016

In the absence of Cllrs Webber and Isaacs, it was **resolved** that Cllr J Woollacott would chair the meeting, proposed by Cllr Durham, seconded by Cllr Batsch, and all agreed.

**15. Finance: NS&I** interest at 1.1.2016 was **£21.73** resulting in total balance of £3021.73. Signed by the Chairman

It was **resolved** to approve the bank reconciliation for 29 January 2016. Signed by the Chairman.

07/12/15	TDBC - print (Feb 15)	Newsletter - February 2015	591	£53.25
07/12/15	TDBC	Uncontested Election costs	594	£200.00

08/12/15	Staples	Print cartridges	DC	£33.98
22/12/15	PC World	Parish Computer	DC	£492.97
29/12/15	P J Pearson	Clerks salary	DD	£429.00
20/01/16	Cheddon Memorial Hall	Hall Hire 2015	596	£105.00
21/01/16	TDBC - print(Apr/Jun 15)	Newsletter Apr/Jun 2015	597	£112.50
26/01/16	P J Pearson	Clerks Salary	DD	£444.60
26/01/16	P J Pearson	Clerks expenses	599	£85.80
28/01/16	Staples	Stationery	DC	£42.70

<b>LESS Expenditure 29 January 2016 (from sheet 1)</b>			<b>10,377.62</b>
<b>Balance @ 29 January 2016 as at bank statement</b>			<b>£13,293.58</b>

It was **resolved** to authorise payments for:

Community Council for Somerset 2016/17 subscription: £40

Clerks Expenses: £110 – BT broadband Sept 15-Mar 16, + Mileage £85.15 Total: £195.15

Lengthsman Brian Keal: £264.00, TDBC Print Feb Newsletter: £55.75 TDBC Bus Shelter: £2,305.40

**16. Matters raised by Councillors:** nil.

**17. Correspondence** : previously circulated. PCC newsletter taken to read.

**Meetings:** Monthly, second Thursday at 7.30pm at Cheddon Fitzpaine Memorial Hall:  
14 April, 12 May (Annual Parish Council Meeting), 9 June, 14 July, no meeting in August, 8 September, 13 October, 10 November 8 December.  
17 March Annual Parish Meeting 7.00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Denise Webber (signature on original)

Signed Chairman.....

14 April 2016

Date.....