

CHERITON FITZPANE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of this Council held on 19th July 2016

Clerk: John Wilkinson, 4 Silver Way, Shobrooke, Crediton, Devon. EX17 1HP

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Present: Cllr C. Sheldrick(ch) Cllr J. Skinner, Cllr S. Meads,. Cllr S. Humphreys, Cllr A. Norton, Cllr G. Kingdon, Cllr C. Lawson. Cllr P. Colthorpe Two members of the public.

1. Parishioners Questions

Cllr Humphreys relayed parishioners concern about the proposed closure of the Post Office Consequent upon the retirement of the present owners. This will be discussed later in the proceedings.

Cllr Lawson expressed dissatisfaction about the bus services available in the village and particularly the impartibility of making meaningful journeys from the village to Exeter and particularly to RD&E. Such journeys can only be made currently using private transport including bicycle etc. which may not be possible during periods of ill health. Cllr Lawson has made proposals about changing the routes, times and destinations of certain No. 347 bus route to Bickley which could be modified to include hospital and city destinations without increasing Cost or mileage. In this, he hoped to gain support from the PC in attempting a reconsideration. It was decided that Cllr Lawson would present a proposal to the PC to be discussed during the August meeting.

2. Apologies.

An apology for absence was received from CCllr Squires.

3. Minutes.

4. Declarations of Interest.

None

5. Roads and Footpaths.

5:1. The iron grid in the road has been repaired.

5:2. The Temporary' sign at Coffin Tree Cross is still in place and still broken.

5:3 Cllr Lawson has not been able to see Ross Hext yet but says that some clarification is needed. The PC wishes access to Jacks Acre to be clear and mud free.

5:4. The Clerk was asked to contact the Highways Dept. to expedite grass cutting in various places since overgrowing herbage is becoming a hazard to traffic and pedestrians.

6. Playing Fields.

7. Burial Ground.

8. Allotments.

There are a couple of unworked plots but plans for these are in hand.

9. Finance.

9:1. The current bank statement was presented and noted.

9:2. The matter of the cheque for Mr. Guscott returned by the bank was discussed and it was decided to repeat the issue.

9:3 Members attempted to complete the new bank mandate to give to National Westminster

Bank.

9:4 Accounts to settle:

9:4:1. All Wood Constructions Wall work £10,410.00

9:4:2 All Wood Construction additional work £2,293.20

9:4:3 John Wilkinson Clerks pay £294.53

An account presented on the night for £40.00 by Mrs B. Pratt was paid to be ratified during the August 2016 meeting.

10. Planning.

16/01068/HOUSE Installation of glass doors to enclose existing verandah to become part of existing kitchen. Poole Cottage. No objection.

16/00947/FULL Erection of agricultural building at Orchardhayes Farm, no objection.

11. Correspondence.

None.

12. New Councillors.

Two parishioners had attended to be Co-opted to become Councillors. Accordingly, Ms Gemma Denford and Ms Clarrie Lancelles were Co-opted onto the council

13. Chairman's Reports.

The village shop will close the week before Christmas. The matter is not being discussed widely but it is known that the owners are seeking another home but will use the shop premises as a home should they not succeed. The owners do not see much prospect of selling the house and business together but more discussion may result now the matter is public knowledge. A Parish meeting seems to be called for in the first instance. Cllr Humphreys has undertaken to monitor the response. The Clerk was asked to contact the shop owners to confirm closure and possibly find out what their plans are, even to mooting a community shop. The parish meeting is envisaged for the second half of August 2016.

Next meeting 16th August 2016.