

CHEARSLEY PARISH COUNCIL DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

**MONDAY 11TH APRIL 2011 AT 8.00 P.M.
IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT:

Councillors Brown, Edmonds, Hytten, Mrs Dormer, Mrs Towel , District Councillor Smith, 29 members of the public, 2 police representatives, Parish Clerk

CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The Chairman, Mr Nic Brown, welcomed those attending the meeting and, at the request of County councillor Michael Edmonds announced agenda was being re-arranged.

APOLOGIES:

Cllrs Miss Gibson and Mrs Timberlake

MINUTES OF PARISH MEETING OF APRIL 2010

These were approved as a true record

COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Edmonds reported The County Council had spent more money on the elderly and £ 7 million on the roads. The damage to the road between Chearsley and Cuddington was in the programme, but Highways were still catching up on previous financial year's backlog. There were cuts coming to Public Libraries. A 30mph speed limit was being implemented in Nether Winchendon.

The Local Area Forum meetings were very useful to identify priorities.

Waste disposal: There is an ongoing programme for a new incinerator at Calvert. The planning application for a waste recycling plant on the Long Crendon industrial estate was being considered by the planning department.

The County Council has objected to the High Speed 2 rail link between London and Birmingham.

In the District there has been a council tax freeze, while services are being maintained. The new Waterside theatre has been attended by 80,000 people, and the Oculus centre has been built.

Waitrose and a hotel group are coming to the Canal side site.

Aylesbury Vale Estates are upgrading commercial properties in the town.

Refuse collection will continue to operate on a weekly basis, and a garden waste collection is being rolled out throughout the district.

The Gateway centre is being extended to allow all staff to work under one roof.

Cllr Edmonds advised the meeting that Councillor Smith was standing down from the District Council and thanked him for his help and support.

POLICE REPORT

The LAF meetings had had considerable input into priorities for the year ahead. The Police now have access to two hand-held speed guns, but speed checks over the last few months have been constrained by the weather. There have been discussions about 20 mph in villages.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman thanked those present for attending. He thanked the shop and the pub for their presence and appealed for support.

Marion Grapes has done a great deal of work on traffic claming, and the Chairman proposed thanks.

The Christmas tree and Carols were a great success, thanks to all.

Grit bins have been replaced. Work on Stockwell has continued. The Picnic bench by the war memorial will be replaced.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Hytten for the maintenance of the website, Cllr Mrs Dormer for her work with the Village hall Committee and Cllr Mrs Towell for her work monitoring bonfires.

The Chairman reminded the meeting that there was to be an election in May, and voting is important.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Budget and income and expenditure reports attached

VILLAGE SHOP REPORT

The future of the shop is very doubtful, and is not receiving sufficient support.

VILLAGE CAR SERVICE

Keith Wright reported that last year there had been 200 enquiries. He thanked the volunteer drivers and said additional drivers always needed.

CRICKET CLUB REPORT

The Club house as been refurbished and functions are well attended.

VILLAGE HALL REPORT

The Kitchen has been refurbished, and Chuf have built a patio. Finances are reasonably healthy.

After the meeting was opened to the public, the following matters were carried forward for discussion

Matters arising from Annual Parish Meeting APRIL 2011

H S 2 Public Consultation 29th July

Vale of Aylesbury Plan

Speeding review area 11

Traffic Calming

Village Hall Grant

Saltbins

Village Newsletter

Shop report

Road between Cuddington and Chearsley

Hedge removal round properties