

CHEARSEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY JANUARY 15TH 2014 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 .PM.

PRESENT

Councillors Brown, Lewis, Edmonds , Heybrook, Mrs Lazaruk, Mrs Towell, Mrs Witcher, 5 members of the public, Parish Clerk,

PUBLIC SESSION (SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS)

The Chairman apologised for the late publication of minutes and agenda.

An announcement was made about a public meeting on the 30th January between 4 – 8.00 pm to present plans for Stoney Furlong plot.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF DECEMBER 2013 MEETING

Agreed as true record. A budget of £7500.00 was agreed for the next financial year.

1. APPROVAL OF BUDGET.

It was agreed that the precept be increased to £ 7500.00

Next year the budget layout will be changed to show monthly columns with running totals

The figures were approved subject to Cllr Lewis's corrections and layout changes. All agreed to accept minutes with corrections.

2. PLANNING MATTERS

5 Bernard's Close single store side extension – A site meeting to be held on Friday at 4.00. pm on the 19th January

3. VILLAGE PLAN REPORT

A steering group meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th January to agree on final version of Document. The Village Plan should be adopted by the end of January.

4. HIGHWAYS AND OPEN AREAS

A query has been raised about trees overhanging paths. Proprietors have the right to remove braches overhanging their property. Some trees were planted by the Parish Council in the 1980's after Dutch elm disease caused damage to trees in the village.

A proposal for a living Christmas tree on the Green was discussed, after some argument, it was agreed that a permanent Christmas tree would not be appropriate.

The sycamore opposite the pub is dying and needs to be removed. Bucks Tree surgeons to be approached to confirm their earlier quote is still valid.

It was agreed that when a tree was removed, a replacement should be planted, possibly in a different location. All agreed, with one in favour of removal and 2 in favour of replacement. Cllr Mrs Towell asked for it to be minuted that a replacement is being discussed but location to be identified.

Grass cutting and verges. It was noted that Haddenham have their own budget and instruct their own contractor.

5. ORDERS FOR PAYMENT AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

An invoice has been received from AVDC. This will be paid by direct debit, as will the invoice for the election held recently.

Amended balance from previous minutes is £ 11189.70

6. Any other business

There were further questions regarding the Village Plan. When the document was approved it would be bought back to the Parish Council for adoption. There will be one vote per person, and the document will be delivered to every house.

Laura Heybrook commented that she was in favour of the plan to bring back the old red telephone box.

Meeting closed 9.00 pm

DATES AND TIMES OF NEXT MEETINGS

February 10th 2014

March 17th 2014