CHUTE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 24th SEPTEMBER 2020 BY TELECONFERENCE

Present: Cllr Parr, Cllr Foxen & Cllr Dawson, Cllr Williams, & Cllr Hopton,

In attendance: Mrs H Bourner – Clerk Wiltshire Councillor Ian Blair-Pilling 2 Members of public

1)Apologies for Absence

Cllr Hughes & Cllr Taylor had sent their apologies.

2) Declarations of Interest

Cllr Hopton and Cllr Williams asked for it to be noted that they are friends with the applicants who have submitted a planning application for the Cross Keys

3) King George Playing Field- finance, and possible new mower purchase.

Cllr Dawson reported the mower owned by the KGPF was no longer working and costs to repair this were so significant it was agreed it was not cost effective to proceed.

The committee had researched purchasing a new machine but did not have funds to meet the full price. Information regarding a hire purchase contract had bee obtained but the constitution prohibited KGPF from taking a loan. While further research is undertaken a contractor has been arranged to mow the grass.

Cllr Dawson felt that spending money on a contractor could be more usefully spent on a finance agreement to purchase a new machine. Cllr Hopton said it would be wise to get quotes from more than 1 provider but in principle the idea of a finance agreement was acceptable.

Cllr Parr proposed an amendment to the constitution document making clear a hire purchase agreement was acceptable. All agreed. This will be circulated to Chute Forest Parish Council and the KGPF Committee for their comments.

Cllr Williams questioned who would be liable should KGPF not be able to meet the payments. Cllr Parr said as the playing field was owned jointly by Chute and Chute Forest Parish Councils they would. Both councils pay significant sums to the KGPF which could meet the monthly costs if necessary.

4) Planning

Applications to be considered by the Parish Council

20/06739/FUL- insertion of thatched dormer window and erection of small brick store, The Shepherds Cottage, Upper Chute-no objections.

20/06874/FUL – demolition of existing buildings and construction of a new residential dwelling with separate garaging, Cross Keys Inn, Upper Chute

The application was discussed and details from the application reviewed. While there were no major objections to the building concerns were raised regarding the site of footpath 18 nearby and any affect on this. On further review there appeared to be affect on the footpath. - no objections

5) Date of next meeting 7.30 pm Thursday October 8th 2020