CHARLWOOD PARISH COUNCIL Serving the communities of Charlwood, Hookwood and Norwood Hill MINUTES OF THE FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PAVILION, CHARLWOOD ON MONDAY 15TH JANUARY 2024 AT 7:30PM

PRESENT

Cllr L Scott – Chair

Councillors: S Bloom, C Evans, W Hill, D McCorquodale, A Rawlinson, T Stacey, A Tyson-Davies.

In attendance: Janette Coulthard (Clerk), H Hill (Assistant Clerk), 9 x Residents

12/24	1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	None	
13/24	2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	The Parish Council declared a non-pecuniary interest for Planning Application	
	MO/2023/1373/PLA comment item 2 in Appendix B. the nature of the interest being	
	that it will be responsible for managing and maintaining the proposed new car	
	parking spaces and is responsible for managing and maintaining the playground.	
14/24	3. MINUTES	
	 3.1 Comments from the Chair – The Chair expressed the Parish Councils thanks to Richard Parker who recently resigned as Cllr prior to the meeting. She expressed thanks for his many years of dedication to the Parish Council. Cllr Scott mentioned that the Parish Council were quite a few Consultations coming up, one focussed on Public Rights of Way, one on the A23 Street Seen, one on 20 is Plenty and urged Cllrs to comment on these if they had a view. Cllr Scott mentioned she attended a presentation on Surrey Climate Change and Adaption & Resilience Strategy. Cllr Scott advised the SCC had been asked to prepare for a 2 degree rise in temperature rise by 2030 and prepare for a temperature rise of 4 degrees beyond 2030. Cllr Scott also mentioned she was being trained up to assess heat loss from houses using a thermal imaging camera. She said her training would be completed in the next few weeks which means the Parish will be assigned with a thermal imaging camera. Members of the public would soon be able to apply for an assessment. 3.2 The minutes of the full Parish Council meeting held on the 20th November 2023, the S& A Committee Meeting on the 13th November 2023 and the S&A Committee meeting on the 11th December 2023 were approved, and signed as a true record of the meeting by the respective Chairs and will be uploaded to the website. 	
15/24	4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS	
	4.1 A resident asked if the Clerk had ever received a response from Clarion Housing after reporting the street lamp that was not working at Sewill Close. The Clerk responded that she had not received a response and had chased the contact at Clarion Housing for an update. IT WAS AGREED the Clerk would chase for a response again.	JC
	4.2 A resident had contacted the Asst. Clerk asking if names, contact details of ClIrs could be put on the Noticeboards together with details of which committees they belonged to. ClIr Scott responded that this may be difficult given the size of the Noticeboards. IT WAS AGREED the Clerk would try to create a document small enough for the Noticeboards.	JC
	4.3 Cllr Scott mentioned that on a related subject, landlines were in the process of being removed and a national project was ongoing to transfer all land lines to Voice over Internet (VOI). She mentioned that she was concerned about vulnerable residents finding the transition difficult. Cllr Scott mentioned an event happening in a week or two and she would attend and asked other Cllrs to consider attending.	

4.4 A resident asked if the Pavilion lights could be timed so they only come on when the Pavilion was being used by hirers to reduce the light pollution and potential impact on wildlife and save on energy cost. Cllr Stacey advised that the timer system was not that flexible and would not allow the PC to do this.	
4.5 The same resident asked if the £500 grant to the Parish Pump Magazine could be made an annual grant. IT WAS AGREED that this would become an annual grant. The Clerk to add this to the Budget for future years.	JC
4.6 A resident had emailed the Clerk to raise concerns about a person who had built a wooden structure in Glovers Wood and was damaging the footpaths and bridleways in the area when accessing his plot in the Wood, making things difficult for users. The resident was seeking the PCs help to get something done about the wooden structure and the associated damage to footpaths etc. The PC discussed the issue IT WAS AGREED the Clerk would investigation options for what could be done.	JC
4.7 The same resident had also asked for the Parish Council to fund four more kissing gates for the Coronation Walk. The Clerk advised that prior to the meeting she had looked at the available budget and the Kissing Gate Fund which was funded by SC Cllr Helyn Clack and residents' groups and all the budget and fund had been spent on eleven gates already. IT WAS AGREED that the Parish Council would fund two more gates through moving the money required from the General Reserve to increase the budget. The Clerk to update the Accounts and order the gates.	JC
4.8 Two residents representing the Charlwood Society attended the meeting to ask if the PC were happy with the draft content of the application to make the Glebe Field and the Hovel Assets of Community Value and if the Parish Council would be happy to submit the application. Cllr Scott confirmed that the PC were happy with the content and the Cllrs thought it was impressive. Cllr Stacey proposed that the application for ACV status be submitted and IT WAS AGREED the Parish Clerk would submit the application form.	JC
4.9 A resident asked if the PC would consider funding the urgent repairs on the Hovel without prejudice. Cllr Stacey advised there was a query over what repairs were actually needed. It had been originally proposed that the PC fund roof repairs costing c.£5,000. Cllr Stacey advised that it was more important to strengthen the structure to support the roof because the building was in danger of collapse but the costs were not known. He advised that the building needed propping and tying from front to back. Cllr McCorquodale said he felt that Cllrs did not have the information on the cost of the work needed to decide. Cllr Hill advised that he felt that it would be better for a local residents' group, like the Charlwood society, to work to raise the funding for refurbishment and repair perhaps with support and a small contribution from the PC. The Clerk advised that one advantage of making the Hovel and Asset of Community Value was that groups like the Charlwood Society could apply for grants for repair and refurbishment which the PC were not eligible to apply for. Cllr Scott felt that the PC needed to have a conversation with the Diocese to move things forward. IT WAS AGREED that the PC could not agree to fund the urgent repairs at this time as it did not have enough information.	
19:54 Cllr Bloom joined the meeting.	
4.10 A resident asked about item 6.8 on the agenda for Pavement cleaning and requested that if the PC were to take this on could the short stretch of pavement at Russ Hill be included as it was very overgrown and difficult for residents to use. Cllr Scott advised that the PC would be looking at all the pavements in the Parish at both Hookwood and Charlwood fell under this. This was on the agenda because MVDC would only clean pavements if requested due to budget constraints. IT WAS	JC

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AGREED that the Clerk would report the pavement at Russ Hill to MVDC for the resident. 4.11 The same resident asked if the Parish Council would consider reinstating Clerk's Surgeries. The Clerk ask if she could respond and said they surgeries had not been discontinued and they would restart this year. 4.12 The same resident asked if the Parish Council were sending a representative to the Gatwick DCO meeting and had the PC registered as a responder. Clir Scott confirmed that the PC had registered as a responder and she would be attending the meeting. 4.13 The same resident asked if it was possible to see the Parish Council's budget for the coming year. The Clerk advised that the budget was still in draft and once it was finalised would be attending the meeting. 4.13 The same resident asked if members of the public could see the draft minutes were published. 4.14 The same resident asked if members of the public could see the draft minutes were published. 4.14 The same resident asked if members of the public could see the draft minutes before they were approved. The Clerk advised this was an agenda item and would be discussed later in the meeting. 16/24 5. CRIME 5.1 Nothing to report. 17/24 6. PLANNING, HIGHWAYS AND ENVIRONMENT There was a brief discussion regarding pot holes and the state of the roads. Clir Scott advised that there are decisions and by MDC caperadow that the comments submitted by the Planning Committee for applications to to four weeks ending 29th December – Clir Scott proposed that the comments submitted by the Planning Committee for applications to the 29 th December as detailed in Appendix B approved and submitted to MNC. APPROVED. 6.2 Neighbourhood Plan - Clir Scott reported that no progress can be made until there are decisions made by MNDC regarding the Local Plan. 6.11 Air Quality Project – Clir Scott reported the was in contact with a company as planning matters would be cuoud bet would be circuidated in Appendix B approved and subuid			
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AGREED that the Clerk would contact MVDC to ask.			JC

7.1 Withey

7.1.1 Cllr Stacey reported that he was still waiting for one more quote for a Tree Survey for the Withey. He also mentioned that there had been agreement at the last meeting to fit a key safe at the Withey and asked if there was any update as to who would fit it. Cllr Scott confirmed that still needed to be agreed.

7.2 Pavilion

7.2.1 Cllr Stacey reported that there were not issues at the Pavilion. Although there were a couple of things outstanding including acquiring a new hand dryer. Cllr Stacey mentioned a need to assess the insulation in the building, especially the roof. Cllr Scott advised that there was a scheme for businesses alongside the initiative to train people to do assessments for domestic properties and the PC just needed to find out who to contact. IT WAS AGREED that Cllr Scott would find out who to contact.

7.3 Recreation Ground

7.3.1 Cllr Stacey reported the Clerk had ordered some barriers to stop cars driving on the football pitch. He mentioned that it may be possible to leave the barriers in place all the time. Cllr Stacey also reported that a question had been raised at the S&A Committee meeting about the pollarding of the Lime Trees. He advised he had spoken to a local Tree Surgeon who advised that this needed to be done in September rather than spring time which is less harmful to the trees. Cllr Stacey then mentioned he would like to get agreement about what to do about the hedge. Variation options had been discussed and hedge laying was an option but he had been advised that this might be too severe an option for residents to find acceptable. Cllr Rawlinson reminded Cllr Stacey that there was the option of giving the hedge a hard cut back with a Tracker. Cllr Stacey mentioned he was still waiting for local contractor to get back to him to discuss. Cllr Tyson- Davies suggested testing laying the hedge on the Millenium field side of the Recreation Ground. Cllr Scott mentioned that she thought actions had already been agreed and that the advice from CPRE had advised hedge laying would be the best option. IT WAS AGREED to test laying the hedge boarding the Millenium Field and have the hedge on the road cut hard back from the pavement so residents could walk pass easily.

7.4 Millennium Field

7.4.1 Cllr Stacey reported he was waiting for one more quote for the tree works. 7.5 New leases: Millenium Field and the Withey

7.5.1 No further update but a new contact would be needed.

7.6 Glebe Field

7.6.1 IT WAS AGREED to pursue discussions with the Diocese to renew the lease or purchase the field. The Clerk to contact the Diocese and open discussions.

7.7 The Hovel

7.7.1 Cllr Hill mentioned that the Hovel was not fulfilling it's potential and that he would like to see a local group of people driving a campaign to raise funds and promote it. Cllr Stacey suggested that perhaps a Trust could be established for the Hovel. Cllr Scott mentioned that if that happened the group would be eligible to apply for a wide range of grants to support the Hovel. IT WAS AGREED that the Clerk would discuss repairs to the Hovel with the Diocese and gain an understanding of the expectations in terms of a financial contribution from the PC.

7.8 Pavement Cleaning

7.8.1 Although discussed earlier. Cllr Scott asked the Clerk to obtain an idea of costs for pavement cleaning for the whole Parish twice a year. She reminded Cllrs that it was an MVDC responsibility but they did not have the funds to do it properly. Cllr Stacey asked if MVDC would provide funding, Cllr Scott advised that it would be highly unlikely. Cllr Stacey stated that the verges would need to be cut back to allow a mechanised sweeper to do the pavements. Cllr Scott responded saying we would need a quote for that as well. IT WAS AGREED the Clerk would obtain guotes. Question were raised about Town Path and would that be covered. Cllr Scott could not be done by the sweeper. It was hoped that

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	Volunteers might come forward to help with this path when they saw the	
	difference made by sweeping the other paths.	
19/24	8. PARISH MATTERS	
	8.1 Traffic Calming & Car Parks	
	8.1.1 Cllr Stacey mentioned that no progress had been made. He had visited the	
	Council offices to try to speak to someone but no one as available. D Cllr Helyn	
	Clack was now taking this up to try to get things moving.	
	8.1.2 Cllr Stacey reported that SCC had come back about the planning	
	application and wanted to see EVC points for vehicles included and we should	
	have a decision in the next 4-6 weeks. Cllr Stacey asked if another consultation	
	was actually needed for the car park as the same sort of consultation carried out	
	previously for the Pavilion and it was judged as satisfactory. IT WAS AGREED	
	that if planning permission was obtained, the PC would just tell residents about	
	the costs etc. and gage opinion from feedback. Cllr Hill suggested that in the	
	interim the School car park could be used to alleviate the parking issues at the	
	weekend. IT WAS AGREED the Clerk would contact the School to enquire if	JC
	they would be willing to allow this and also enquire as to any costs involved.	
	Cllr Stacey mention Speedwatch and advised he would like someone to take	
	over as coordinator. IT WAS AGREED that the Clerk would run a FB campaign	JC/LS
	to look for Volunteers to come forward including a new coordinator. Cllr Scott	00/20
	advised she would put something in the Newsletter.	
	8.2 Parish Council Communications	
	8.2.1 Newsletter update – Cllr Scott reported that Newsletter was delivered and	
	she would be working on getting the next one out. The Clerk reported that she	
	had received good feedback about the Newsletter from residents. Cllr Scott	
	advised that the next Newsletter was partially drafted and would be ready soon 8.3 Community Events and Affairs	
	Nothing to report.	
	8.4 Wickens Orchard	
	8.4.1 The Asst. Clerk reported that the bench had been fixed but the gate was	
	outstanding.	
	8.5 Russ Hill Hotel 8.5.1 Cllr McCorquodale reported that the Hotel was now empty and closed	
	however, he heard that the intention was to reopen the Hotel at the end of	
	March.	
	8.6 Parish Hall – no update.	
	8.7 Community Resilience & Emergency Plan – Cllr Scott reported she would start	
	filling in the template received from SCC and again invited other Cllrs to work on it with	
	her.	
	8.8 S&SEiB	
	8.8.1 Cllr Scott reported that the PC had been asked to continue managing	
	participation in the competition. IT WAS AGREED that the PC would continue	JC
	with the responsibility. The Clerk to submit the application form. Cllr Stacey mentioned that the PC might need to allocate some budget for this. Cllr Scott	30
	confirmed that she had made room to mention the competition the Newsletter.	
20/24	9 GATWICK MATTERS	
	9.1 Nothing additional to report.	
21/24	10 REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE	
	10.1 IT WAS AGREED a meeting of the Finance Committee or working group was	
	required to work on the Budget.	
	10.2 New Accounts Format – to consider and agree whether to use the Payments tab	
	on the new Accounts Spreadsheet instead of additions. APPROVED	
	document for approving payments.	

	10.3 Budget - consider and agree the budget for 24/25 – IT WAS AGREED to defer this	
	item to the next meeting. 10.4 Payments received and cleared payments - NOTED	
	10.4.1 The Clerk gave a brief rundown of the finances for the month referring to the	
	additions document contained in Appendix A.	
	10.4.2 The Clerk mentioned there was a payment not listed on the payments and	
	additions documents which was for the car park barriers and advised this would	
	be added to the payments to be set up and authorised as the barriers would not	
	be delivered until payment was received. APPROVED.	
	10.5 Accounts for payments and authorised transfers (See Appendix A) – APPROVED	
	10.6 The Clerk advised she had a specific request from ex-Cllr Parker to minute that he had paid back his contribution for the Christmas meal and had asked the Clerk to	
	minute this. NOTED	
22/24	11 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES	
	11.1 Nothing additional to report other than that already mentioned.	
23/24	12 PROCEDURES AND STANDING ORDERS OF THE COUNCIL COMMITTEE	
	12.1 To consider and agree if the Parish Council wants to adopt the rule for	
	smaller authorities requiring them to publish draft minutes within 20 days of the	
	relevant meetings. APPROVED	
	12.2 To consider and agree if the Parish Council would like all Cllrs to have read	
	only access for Citrix to enable them to access Parish Council documents.	
	APPROVED	
	12.3 To consider and agree if the Parish Council would like the Clerk to draft a	
	'Persistent or Vexatious Members of the Public Policy for review and adoption.	
	IT WAS AGREED the Clerk would draft a policy for review by the PC.	JC
24/24	13 GOVERNANCE	
	Nothing to report.	
25/24	14 EMPLOYMENT MATTERS	
	14.1 Groundsman	
	14.1.1 Cllr Scott mentioned the PC was still waiting for a meeting with the Grounds	
26/24	Man. The Clerk advised she would chase again. 15 PUBLIC COMMENTS	
20/24		
27/24	None 16 DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS	
21/24		
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	 2nd February 2024 - Services & Amenities Committee Meeting – at the Pavilion 10:30am 	
	10:30am	
	 10:30am 13th February 2024 - Planning Committee Meeting at the Pavilion – 7:30pm 	
28/24	 10:30am 13th February 2024 - Planning Committee Meeting at the Pavilion – 7:30pm 	

There being no other business the Chair closed the meeting at 9:25pm

Signed as a true record of the meeting, and approved at the Full Parish Council Meeting of the $19^{\rm th}$ February 2024

Signed.....

Appendix A

Green Highlight = Direct Debits already approved Orange Highlight = Estimate as DD Variable No Highlight = Electronic payment for approval or retrospective approval

			Net	VAT	Gross
	Payments for December 2023				
13-Dec-23	The Keyholding Company Ltd	Keys for Pavilion & Alarm Call (01/01/24)	64.53	12.91	77.44
15-Dec-23	SES Business Water	Account 5414233	38.36	0.00	38.36
20-Dec-23	Ecotricity Ltd	100063963Ecotricity - Gas	359.04	0.00	359.04
20-Dec-23	Ecotricity Ltd	100066969Ecotricity - Electricity	291.97	0.00	291.97
26-Dec-23	RentoKill - Initial Hygiene	2 signature lite FHU White - Manual	122.98	24.60	147.58
					914.39

20-Dec-23	Admiral Security Systems Ltd	Annual Maintenance for CCTV	117.00	23.40	140.40
20-Dec-23	All Seasons	Treework - Ash Trees Tifters Drive	950.00	190.00	1140.00
20-Dec-23	Chevron Alarms	Replacement Pane Back-Up Battery	37.50	7.50	45.00
20-Dec-23 20-Dec-23	National Association of Local Councils Microshade	Making Planning Work - Training L Scott Hosting Citrix & email boxes	43.37 280.96	8.67 56.19	<u>52.04</u> 337.15
20-Dec-23	Nigel Jeffries Landscapes Ltd	3 x Grass Cuts the Withey	165.00	33.00	198.00
20-Dec-23	Prime Commercial Cleaning UK	Pavilion Clean - November	240.00	0.00	240.00
20-Dec-23	Tayplay Ltd	Black Nylon Collars for old style CC	425.24	96.43	521.67
20-Dec-23	Ann Billingshurst	November Qtrly Salary	156.20	0	156.20
20-Dec-23	Nick Speakman	November Qtrly Salary & Pay Increase backdated	1367.57	0	1367.57
20-Dec-23	Helen Hill	November Salary & Pay Increase backdated	868.20	0	868.20
20-Dec-23	Trevor Haylett	Backdated Pay Increase	304.00	0	304.00
20-Dec-23	Janette Coulthard	November Salary & Pay Increase backdated	1276.64	0	1276.64

6646.87

TOTAL 7561.26

	Payments for January 2024				
13-Jan-24	The Keyholding Company Ltd	Keys for Pavilion & Alarm Call (01/01/24)	26.57	5.31	31.88
15-Jan-24	SES Business Water	Account 5414233	35.68	0.00	35.68
20-Jan-24	Ecotricity Ltd	100063963Ecotricity Gas	359.04	0.00	359.04
20-Jan-24	Ecotricity Ltd	100066969Ecotricity Electricity	291.97	0.00	291.97
					718.57

15-Jan-24	Nigel Jeffries Landscapes Ltd	December Withey Grass Cuts x 2	110.00	22.00	132.00
15-Jan-24	Wheelie Bin Clean Machine	Jet washing of the pavillion verandah, and pathway from the park entrance gate to the pavillion	100.00	0.00	100.00
15-Jan-24	Alan Knight	Repair of five fence posts at Charlwood Playground	75.00	0.00	75.00
15-Jan-24	Helen Hill	January Salary	580.00	0	580.00
15-Jan-24	Helen Hill	2 x Pinter Cartridges	20.70	4.14	24.84
15-Jan-24	Helen Hill	Toilet Rolls, Handwash & Sundries for the Pavilion	38.49	0	38.49
15-Jan-24	Janette Coulthard	January Salary	1081.50	0	1081.50
15-Jan-23	Janette Coulthard	Qtrly payment for use of Clerk's Home as an Office 09/23 - 11/23	62.50	0	62.50

2094.33

TOTAL 2812.90

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Planning applications considered by Charlwood Parish Council Planning committee to the 29th December 2023

MO/2023/1458/PLA – Unit 3, Westcoats Farm, Stan Hill, Charlwood, Horley, RH6 0ES – Change of use of an existing building to a temporary agricultural workers dwelling. **Link:** <u>https://planning.agileapplications.co.uk/mole/search-</u> <u>applications/results?criteria=%7B%22query%22:%22MO%2F2023%2F1458%22%7D&page=1</u>

RESOLVED – Already considered no further comment.

MO/2023/1373/PLA – Charlwood Sports and Community Centre, Recreation Ground, The Street, Charlwood, Surrey - Creation of a new vehicle cross-over, relocation of playground and installation of 27 No. new car parking spaces, 2 No. disabled spaces, on motorcycles space and power ducting for future lighting.

Link: <u>https://planning.agileapplications.co.uk/mole/search-</u> applications/results?criteria=%7B%22query%22:%22MO%2F2023%2F1373%22%7D&page=1

RESOLVED – Charlwood Parish Council declares a non-pecuniary interest in this application the nature of the interest being that it will be responsible for managing and maintaining the proposed new car parking spaces and is responsible for managing and maintaining the playground. We therefore, have no comments.

MO/2023/1807/PLAH – 31 Povey Cross, Hookwood, Horley, RH6 0AG – Erection of single/two storey side/rear extension. Link: <u>https://planning.agileapplications.co.uk/mole/search-applications/results?criteria=%7B%22query%22:%22MO%2F2023%2F1807%22%7D&page=1</u>

RESOLVED – Already considered no further comment.

MO/2023/1551/PLA – Ashdown, Sideways Lane, Hookwood, Horley, Surrey, RH6 0AX – Change of use of existing outbuilding for part-time Dog Grooming. Link: <u>https://planning.agileapplications.co.uk/mole/search-</u> <u>applications/results?criteria=%7B%22query%22:%22MO%2F2023%2F1551%22%7D&page=1</u>

RESOLVED – No comment.

MO/2023/1917/PLA – Farmfield, Farmfield Drive, Charlwood, Horley, Surrey, RH6 0BN – Erection of 2 No. detached modular cabins. Link: <u>https://planning.agileapplications.co.uk/mole/search-</u> applications/results?criteria=%7B%22guery%22:%22MO%2F2023%2F1917%22%7D&page=1

RESOLVED – No comment.

MO/2023/1931/PLAH – Little Oaks, Ifield Road, Charlwood, Horley, Surrey, RH6 0DR – Erection of a single storey front extension with pitched roof, changes to fenestration and a new detached garage.

Link: <u>https://planning.agileapplications.co.uk/mole/search-applications/results?criteria=%7B%22query%22:%22MO%2F2023%2F1931%22%7D&page=1</u>

RESOLVED - Charlwood Parish Council has no objection but would like to see a condition placed on this application that if approved the garage cannot at any time be converted to residential use.

MO/2023/1949/CONS – Pier 6, North Terminal, Gatwick Airport – Resubmission from Gatwick Airport Ltd in respect of consultation under Part 8 of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2025 for proposed western extension to Pier 6,

Northern Terminal, Gatwick Airport. (Crawley BC application ref. CR2023/0737/CON – for consultation purposes only). Link: <u>https://planning.agileapplications.co.uk/mole/search-applications/results?criteria=%7B%22query%22:%22MO%2F2023%2F1949%22%7D&page=1</u>

RESOLVED - Charlwood Parish Council does not have any further comment.

MO/2023/1157 - Renotification of Planning Application MO/2023/1157 – 1 and 2 Little Eileen, Russ Hill, Charlwood, Horley, Surrey, RH6 0EL - **Revised description**. Change of use of land to mixed use. Stationing of 2 No. static caravans and two touring caravans, construction of hardstanding, parking for four vehicles, associated infrastructure and the keeping of horses. Partial demolition and reconstruction of pre-existing shed for use as a dayroom.

RESOLVED - Charlwood Parish Council objects to this application. It is a change of use from agricultural land and the area is not sufficient for the keeping of horses (one acre per horse required as a minimum).

The application description, bears little to no accuracy as to what has already been undertaken on this site, the work that they have already undertaken, without any extant approval (it expired in August last year) has already been completed (destruction of cowshed, construction of brand new (larger) building, concrete hard standing, cctv, high polemounted high intensity lights, (overlooking the neighbours land, home and associated property). Littering throughout the area, PC members have spent many hours collecting glass, bottles, tins, soiled clothing, plastic bags, needles, food, alcoholic drink bottles and packaging. The police are already involved in both theft, trespass, vehicle damage and other issues that have been brought to their attention.

Highways Note:

As regards highways, there is an issue with gas provision in Charlwood, we believe that due to the large amounts of rain water that we have experienced of late that it has been getting into the gas pipes that run alongside the highways. The community have experienced low gas pressure, boilers not igniting, gas cookers going out. We have not yet had a report of water getting into a gas appliance but that could occur and cause considerable inconvenience and cost to a resident.