

Minutes of the Meeting of Little Cheverell Parish Council to be held 7pm on the  
22<sup>nd</sup> of September  
Little Cheverell Village Hall

**Present – Sue Ivey (chair), Mike Philips,(Vice Chair) Dennis Heather, Ben Thompson, Drew Spearey, Louise Brebner (minute taker)**

1. Approval of the minutes of the Council meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> July  
Approved by Mike, seconded by Ben
2. Apologies – None.
3. Public Forum –
  - a. Dominic Munns updated the PC on the ongoing speeding/speed watch issues. There have been several incidents of Wilts Police not completing proper speed checks, he has put in an official complaint. Mark Freeman of the Highways and Road Safety has told him they do not have the man power to complete speed checks frequently (25 officers for the whole county) but they have recruited 2 new “speed enforcement officers” who can work alongside the community speed watch teams. Little Cheverell currently do not have a speed watch team. DM would like a representative from each PC to attend a Zoom meeting with the Wiltshire PCC to add their voices collectively to raise this issue and work towards enforcing speed limits in the villages.
  - b. DM also gave the PC an update on Black Dog Crossroads: the Highways team has put forward their proposal to the Cabinet which apparently has been accepted. This consists of; realigning the junction, moving hedgerows and fencing, rumble strips, reviewing the speed limit etc. There are still some dissenting voices to the plans as they stand, but it looks unlikely that funding will be provided for a roundabout or traffic lights and the current feeling from DM is something is better than nothing.
4. Declarations of Interest – None.
5. Little Cheverell Village Hall - Sue sent a written report to the Village Hall group including everything she has been doing and researching which has been met with positive feedback. She has a meeting planned for Monday 27<sup>th</sup> to continue the work of getting new trustees (VH to remain a registered charity), to confirm the ongoing plans and to keep communication open. Sue would like to thank Mike for his ongoing support and advice.
6. Finance
  - a. VAT not back from Gaigers yet but it is assumed it is on the way as there is a delay with all government departments currently

- b. Louise Brebner was paid a one off fee for the last PC meeting, councillors to agree on a rate of ongoing pay and Dennis to meet with Louise to discuss.
  - c. Dennis's claim for the paint and brushes for the fence painting was approved
7. Projects for future expenditure –
  - a. Autumn planters were discussed and it is agreed we will have these put up
  - b. It has been highlighted that the back of the Village Hall needs clearing ASAP, Sue to find some quotes from clearing companies and also will bring this up in the VH meeting on the 27th
8. Queens Platinum Jubilee – The Pyes have kindly offered use of their grounds and tent for an event, this will be discussed at the VH meeting
9. B3098 Road Closure – This takes place on the 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021 for 5 days, Sue will add information to the village whatsapp group
10. Black Dog Crossroads – See the public forum notes, Dominic Munns covered this for us
11. Planning Applications – A new planning application has been submitted by Rest Harrow for tree work, no current objections
12. Footpath Diversion Proposal – Judith Beddow is hoping to reroute the footpath that goes in front of their front door, currently not an official request but raised in the PC meeting to see if there are any initial objections. There are currently no objections to this plan
13. Village and Millennium Greens
  - a. Thanks to Dennis and Martin for the railings and bench painting and the recent mowing.
  - b. Dennis's gardener is able to give both greens a final cut before winter and this will cost 150 pounds. This was agreed
  - c. Ongoing thoughts on putting in a permanent gardening schedule, point was raised that whoever does this must have public liability insurance. Plans made to get quotes from several gardeners over the winter.
  - d. The green wheelie bin is to be removed as it is no longer needed
14. Parish Steward – Kevin came on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September and made an extra visit to a drain on B3098 outside no: 1000
15. Issues relating to drainage, potholes etc – Drew has looked into where the water is coming from down the main road, main issues seem to stem from the Wessex Water and MOD sites. Thoughts are that some drainage is needed to prevent all the water damaging the road. Sue will seek advice from Dominic Muns as to how to contact The

Environmental Agency and Wiltshire Council to start with to see if this matter can be resolved.

16. Defibrillator – Barbara Featherstone has taken over the reporting and checking of our equipment. Ongoing training is needed, Sue is sorting this out.

17. One Drive – Louise has set up a OneDrive folder for LC PC documents, will share this with the councillor's, all online documents can go into it going forward.

18. AOB

- a. Dennis would like to continue moving forward with online banking for the PC account
- b. The PC agree we should arrange for a wreath to be laid on Remembrance Sunday

19. Date of next meeting? November 10<sup>th</sup>

Meeting closed at 20.13pm