

CHEARSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY JUNE 13TH 2011 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 .PM.

1. PRESENT

Cllrs Brown, Edmonds, Hytten, Lewis, Mrs Lazaruk, Mrs Towell, District Cllr Hawkett, Mrs Marion Grapes 9 members of the public, Parish Clerk,

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr Heybrook.

3. PUBLIC SESSION (SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS) 5 MINUTES PER PERSON

Cutting of verges and wild flower planting. Cllr Edmonds has been in contact with Mrs Rogers regarding her offer to fund flower planting in verges, and will pursue the matter.

Concern was expressed by Mrs Tillier regarding the plan to remove the path across the Green. The cost of repairing the path would be between £2000.00 to £3000.00.

Shop is to close on 7th July. The Chairman is in contact with the owner of the shop and will report on discussions at the next meeting. There was a campaign to save the shop the last time it was threatened with closure, and this can be revived if there is sufficient support in the village. District Cllr Hawkett supported the retention of the shop, while realizing that the owner has to make a living.

It was noted that the Dog Fouling of Land act 1996 is national, and covers conservation areas, greens and recreation grounds. Cllr Mrs Towell has done some research into costs and possible locations.

Overhead electricity cables will be removed down School Lane and Lower Green Lane

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES May 13th 2011

Agreed as a true record

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Postal deliveries. Letters have been sent regarding the timing of deliveries. No answers as yet.

Mrs Grapes is no longer prepared to go to Local Area Forum Meetings. There has been a re-allocation of funding for traffic projects and the application for speeding measures has been declined. Priority of the new leader of transport is now road repairs. The road between Chearsley and Cuddington will be repaired when they time and money is available.

6. RISK ASSESSMENT

It was agreed that the benches and salt bins be added to the insurance policy.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Inshalla Porch – passed.

Michaelmas Cottage – tree to be crowned.

Vine Cottage extension

Bramble Bank hedge -

8. HIGHWAYS AND OPEN AREAS

Local Area Forum meeting - There was some confusion about the amended application for traffic calming, and it was turned down.

Best Kept Village competition. The litter pick was successful, although it was pointed out that untidy edges to property were as much of a problem as litter, which was not excessive except on the main roads in and out of the village. Cllr Mrs Lazaruk cleared considerable amounts of dog mess on footpaths, and it was noted that people are hanging plastic bags with dog mess on hedges. The dog warden has been notified, but needs evidence. Cllr Mrs Towell reported that she had been advised that it would be difficult to implement measures until there was at least one dog bin available for disposal of dog mess. Cllr Mrs Towell will produce a proposal.

9. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Internal auditors re-appointed and accounts approved.

Bank balance 9921.45 . Bank mandate in circulation for new signatories

10. SUMMARY AND SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

The matter of dog fouling was raised again. Whistle blowing needed.
After the litter pick it was noted that there were cigarette ends by the bus shelters, and Cllr Mrs Towell suggested 'No Smoking' signs in bus shelters.
The Village Hall has requested the re-instatement of their grant- budget meeting.

11. DATE AND TIMES OF NEXT MEETINGS

12.

Monday July 11th 2011

September 12th 2011