

**Minutes of Virtual 93rd Meeting of the
CHIPPING WARDEN & EDGCOTE PARISH COUNCIL
held on TUESDAY 10th November 2020 at 7.30**

Zoom Meeting Number 987 761 9623

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| Present | C Brooke N Galletly | P Brown D Hussey | D Cross N Meades | N Douglas V Woodford | H Gairdner |
| Clerk | L Stanley | | | | |

93.1 Apologies: none

93.2 Open Forum – No residents present

93.3 Declaration of Interests
None

93.4 Minutes of 92nd Parish Council Meeting - Agreed and signed

93.5 Village Environment

- a) Brookfield Farm – nothing to report
- b) Other items discussed not on agenda
- c) Appletree Road junction with The Close – new tree will be obtained when next tree offer is received Leave on agenda
- d) Culworth Road –potholes and damaged kerb/path are white lined.again
- e) Vegetative over-hang – Ivy Cottage residents have been asked to trim back
- f) Mill Lane – bollards to be replaced around verges by Steps
Sign to installed by park gates at Lodge with sign for `Access at all Times` **HG/NG**

93.6 Hs2

Request for financial information under the Fol Act is not forthcoming Andrea Leadsam is pursuing the issue.

NG has meeting on Thursday with Hs2 and Carter Jonas to discuss the triangle of land by the village hall as they are planning to take down the electricity pole and hedge. DH invited to attend **NG/DH**

Welsh Lane crossroads (to Culworth) still closed due to gas main problem, this should be done 17th December by Southern Gas. Meanwhile safety warning signs requested for Culworth Road Activity Park.

NG had a meeting with Aston PC and Hs2; EFKB are keen to start work asap.

The roundabout by the Coach House was discussed; it will be removed once top end of relief road is open it will be fully signed, Check if one will be `Village Only`. **NG**

Hogg End will have signs at the top and someone manning it when the A361 is closed again.

Allotments – the path past the bungalows could be extended to enable wheelchair access leading to new relief road path. J Taylor to be approached for a estimate for work. **NG**

Rift Airsoft in Calves Close has been fenced off from west access for more Hs2 bore holes; they will not be there until December. Report of `overshoots` to SNC – no response to date. **VW/NG**

93.7 Play Area

- a) All grants have been received and invoices have all been paid with the exception of the retention held from Dragon – dealt with 93.8(a). Dragon will do painting touch up when they carry out 3-month check.
There are now 7 volunteers to carry out weekly inspections. PB will send out rota, forms will be returned to clerk for filing.
Group of residents made a collection for the non-PC members on the committee for work carried out to establish Activity Park – this was much appreciated.

A garden centre gift voucher was also given to PC and will be used to plant shrubs along field side fence.

VW

The entrance/exit will be reviewed to ascertain the best way to prevent child running straight out onto road.

Resident has asked if 30 mph signs could be moved to cover park and if a path could be made along that stretch. As road will be closed when Hs2 start, Highways will not consider either of these options and PC does not have the funds. Hs2 have promised temporary warning signs for park

NG

Could the hedge leading to the park (on same side) be cut back to allow better vision along that stretch of road.

CB

93.8 Finance

a) Authorisation required: -

SSE - August £122.14 + vat £6.09 = £128.23

DD

SSE – Sept £126.02 + vat £6.28 = £132.30

DD

E-on maintenance £136.67 + vat £27.33 = £164.00

Bacs

E-on photocell £23.47 + vat £4.69 = £28.16

Bacs

Littlejohn (audit) £200.00 + vat £40.00 = £240.00

Bacs

RD Landscape Sept £200.00 + vat £40.00 = £240.00

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RD Landscape Oct £200.00 + vat £40.00 = £240.00

Bacs

Dragon balance £5000 no vat

Bacs

b) New Financial Regs circulated and agreed

Motion

c) Current a/c £2994.48 Deposit £15516.11

d) Budget was agreed in principle – the insurance needs to be revised.

Precept to remain at £11500.00 as we have £8000 vat reclaim due. All need to be aware that this could rise to £20k due to activity park, environment improvements once bypass is complete and grass cutting grant may well cease after unitary changes have been completed. So graduated increase is advised.

This may also impact on the Community Charges rates.

e) Village Hall – report from DH, confirmed that £10k grant to village halls had been received by them and lockdown had given them an opportunity to paint the outside and have electrical inspection carried out.

93.9 Planning

S/2020/0374 – Long Barrow proposed house – Site visit completed-still open

S/2020/1511/LDE – Airfield – change of use B8 to B1 Approved

S/2020/1194/LDP – Speculo's Cottage- out building renovations Approved

S/2020/1197 & 8/FUL & LBC – replacement windows Application withdrawn

It has been noted that new plastic windows installed

S/2020/1611/TCA – Manor House – tree work No objections

NG

S/2020/1380/LDP – 9 The Close Approved

Beeches Farm site off Culworth Road – 1 more house may be included. Could be the site of the old air force mortuary but it could be too close to school to get planning. Owner plans to sell the whole `site with planning permission`, but it only has outlying Permission at present.

NG

93.10 Correspondence – all previously e-mailed

NCALC Update; Parish Update; Corona Update; Local Council Tax Scheme; ART Event; ERTA Meetings; Small Business

93.11 Training

Councillors are to be encouraged to attend training seminars and a figure for this must be in the budget. All current councillors have been in situ for sometime and any new councillors will be made aware of courses on offer.

VW will not be re-standing at the next election.

Training statement of intent will be approved when personalised to CW&E PC.

93.12 Matters for Next Agenda and/or information

- a) There are some old road signs on the verge between Manor gate and bench that need removing. NG will contact Fusion **NG**
- b) Very large fireworks have been found in some gardens and fields following 5th Nov. These could have caused personal injuries and also injured and/or panicked to livestock.. This will be mention in Annual Report. **NG**
- c) Will balancing pond be safety checked once complete? Water should drain controlled into sewers and not be an issue but there will be a post and rail fence around it in due course.
- d) One resident has issues with a neighbour concerning dilapidation of her house which is in a conservation area. They will be advised to contact SNC Conservation Officer and Listed Buildings
- e) Trees in Old Rectory are in need of attention. Residents to be contacted **NM**
- f) Gigaclear are planning to connect Edgcote to system via Mill Lane concrete road, under Cherwell and up to Edgcote. This first that PC have heard and contact will be made to obtain clarification of disruption to residents. **NG**
- g) Work to be carried out by water boards near Trafford Bridge on the Edgcote Road and road will need closure. This should not happen until Welsh Lane fully open.
- h) NG has been approached by Michael Beckett regarding "The Parish News". "Now we are 6" ceased due to retirement of printer/editor and because there are only 4 parishes now. Quote is printing costs per year £700 with advertising revenue currently promised of £400. The meeting was unanimous in wishing to see the new magazine continue and once more details are to hand, the issue will be discussed in full.
- i) A wish to raise funds to purchase a bench in Berrie King's name has been proposed. There is no objections to this; as the bench outside the school might soon need replacement, it was felt that this would be an ideal situ. Cost of newest benches will be researched. **LS/NG**

93.13 Date of Next Meeting

Next meeting – 12th January 2021