

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
CHADDESLEY CORBETT PARISH COUNCIL
Held on Monday 1 February 2016
at Chaddesley Corbett Village Hall
at 7.15 p.m.



Present: Chairman Cllr W Mack, Cllrs D Thomas, Mrs P Pardoe, J Wright, R Pugh, Mrs J Fox, B Green, M Page, S Williams, G Vernon
District Councillor: Cllr I Hardiman
Clerk Mrs Y Scriven, and members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES:** District Councillor M Hart, Cllr L Stockford
2. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI):** None
OTHER DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (ODI): None
DISPENSATIONS – As before
3. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:**
Mr M Page reported that the Village post office would move to Rowberry's in February and the shop would close and the remaining shops in the Village would work together to take over most of the services currently offered from Jukes Stores.
4. **MINUTES**
 - a) The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4 January 2016 were presented and approved after amendment.
 - b) The Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 4 January 2016 were approved.
5. **COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:**
 - 5.1 District Cllr Ian Hardiman gave a comprehensive report on current Wyre Forest District Council activities. The District Council would freeze council tax for two years and still provide measures to improve the lives of residents. There would be a Localism Fund of £50,000 for Parish Councils and community groups to apply for funding for projects which add value to the District. £500,000 would also be allocated to tackle issues in Worcester Street and to open up this area to traffic and provide more on street parking bays. This is despite a reduction of 42% in funding from government.
 - 5.2 2 additional civil enforcement officers had been appointed to deal with parking offences, litter, dog fouling and fly tipping in the District. Hundreds of advertising posters have been removed around the District and officers can issue fixed penalty notices of up to £75.00 for fly posting. Charitable and fund raising groups will be allowed to display temporary notices of events, subject to appropriate application to the Council.
 - 5.3 District Cllr S Williams reported that the District Council have now recovered 97% of the £3m it had deposited with Landsbanki Bank at the time of their collapse. There is still £922,988 outstanding from 2 other Icelandic banks
6. **CHADDESLEY CORBETT PARISH MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION**
 - 6.1 **External Auditors:** - It was agreed that the Parish Council would support the newly formed NALC scheme with effect from April 2017 for a term of 5 years.

- 6.2 **Quality Awards:** An application for Accreditation under the new Quality Award Scheme was approved at all three levels, Foundation, Quality and Gold. This would be submitted to the next NALC Accreditation Panel in March 2016.
- 6.3 **Budget Analysis:** A schedule of income and expenditure for the 9 months to 31 December 2015 compared with budget had been circulated and was approved.
- 6.4 **Sports and Recreation Working Group:** Minutes of a meeting had been circulated and were noted. It was decided not to carry out a survey of residents at this time.
- 6.5 **Bus Shelter – Briar Hill:** It was agreed to accept an offer from a local resident to replace this bus shelter with a more appropriate unit. A specification of requirements would be drawn up.
- 6.6 **Light Pollution:** Following a complaint from a local resident it was agreed to carry out a survey of lighting within the village and report back to the next meeting.
- 6.7 **Advertising Signs:** It was agreed to carry out a survey of all advertising signs within the Parish and report back to the next meeting. It was also agreed to write to The Talbot and regarding the location of A boards on public footpaths.
- 6.8 **Queen’s 90th Birthday –** It was agreed to support the forthcoming Music Festival on 11 June 2016.
- 6.9 **MAINTENANCE WORK**
- 6.9.1 **Lengthsman Scheme:** Work had been carried out to clear leaves, grips and silt to prevent flooding on the A448 towards Mustow Green, Drayton Road, Park Lane, Harvington Hall Lane, Hardash Lane, Tandy’s Lane, Egg Lane, Sion Hill, Park Lane and Morton Road.
- 6.9.2 **Parish Footpaths:** Fallen Holly tree removed from footpath in Tandy’s Lane, path cleared in the Village, signposts replaced and repaired in Egg Lane. Report of possible diversion of footpath 618 investigated and resolved.
- 6.9.3 **General Maintenance:** - Passageway between Harkaway House and bungalows swept and moss removed; pathway through churchyard cleared.
7. **DATES FOR MEETINGS**
- 7.1 Parish Games Quiz – Tuesday 15 March 2016 at Kidderminster Town Hall from 7:00-9:30 p.m. A team of 6 would participate.
- 7.2 Meeting with Cllr S Clee and D Hunter regarding A448 and Harvington Hall Lane traffic conditions. Tuesday 2nd February 10:00 a.m..
- 7.3 Councillor training session Monday 15 February 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Village Hall, Chaddesley Corbett.
- 7.4 Parish Conference Wednesday 25 February 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at County Hall.
8. **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM CLLRS REPRESENTING OUTSIDE BODIES:**
- 8.1 Wyre Forest District Council consultation on proposal to hold elections for all Councillor positions every 4 years. The clerk was authorised to respond in support of the proposal.

8.2 Future of Acute Hospital Services in Worcestershire – Consultation on clinical model. The Parish Council did not feel qualified to respond to this consultation but would support the views of the Doctor’s Surgery.

9 CLERK’S REPORT

9.1 Tanwood Lane – Drainage issues – Highways, the landowner and the Lengthsman had been working on drainage issues and some remedial work had been undertaken. Further work was required by Highways in the new financial year.

9.2 Woodrow – road surface was temporary – would be surface dressed in Summer of 2016.

9.3 Point to Point – road sweeper and litter picking had taken place after the last event.

9.4 Briar Hill Speed Enforcement – 18 offences in December and 43 in January had been recorded – most offenders were from Kidderminster, Stourbridge and Bromsgrove areas. Offence per hour rate was still high and monitoring would continue.

9.5 Defibrillator – Fund raising was under way to raise the required £2000. Local groups had been invited to donate £250 each towards the fund. The BT telephone Kiosk outside the old school would be purchased by the Parish Council for £1 to house the defibrillator.

9.6 Letter of thanks from resident after Councillor had intervened in boundary dispute, which had been resolved.

9.7 Talbot – Advertising boards located on footway. Clerk to write to tenants.

9.8 Contract for emptying waste bins and litter collection effective 1 February 2016. This service would be undertaken by a contractor on behalf of the Parish Council. Volunteers were required to organise litter collection on a voluntary basis.

9.9 Cllr D Thomas gave a presentation on the Neighbourhood Planning process to Malvern District Council which was well received.

9.10 Request from PCC to stone slabs on waste area in burial ground approved.

10 FINANCIAL REPORT

10.1 The Clerk presented a schedule of payments and receipts for January which was approved.

Name	Purpose	Amount	VAT	Total
CC Village Hall	Room Hire	79.00		79.00
Y L Scriven	Net Salary	688.75		688.75
Y L Scriven	Expenses 3 months	193.95	12.55	206.50
BT	Line Rental/ Broadband	72.74	18.64	91.38
Don Robbins	Burial Ground	72.00		72.00
Ben Matthews	Maintenance	123.00		123.00
Bill Waldron	Lengthsman	371.25		371.25
Geoffrey Holding	Footpaths	265.00		265.00
Geoffrey Holding	Wyre Forest DC	185.00		185.00
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	2,050.69	31.19	2,081.88

Receipts

Wyre Forest DC	Geoffrey Holding	185.00	185.00
Wyre Forest DC	Waste collection/litter	1000.00	1000.00
Inscription	D21	33.00	33.00
Allotment Rents		442.00	442.00
Worcestershire CC	Lengthsman Scheme	540.00	540.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	2,200.00	2,200.00

Paid by Debit Card

Toners	39.48	7.90	47.38
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10.2 Bank Reconciliation for period up to 31 January 2016 was approved.

12. Next Meeting to be held on Monday 7 March 2016 at 7:15 p.m