

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
CHADDESLEY CORBETT PARISH COUNCIL
Held on Monday 7 January 2013
at Chaddesley Corbett Village Hall
at 7.25 p.m.**



Present: Chairman: Cllrs W Mack, D Thomas, Mrs P Pardoe, R Pugh, G Vernon, M Page, B Green, M Walford, Mrs J Fox. In attendance: Clerk Mrs Y Scriven, Cllr S Williams, Members of the public.

POLICE REPORT

Police report noted. National scheme to tackle internet fraud and scams launched.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr L Stockford
2. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI):** None
OTHER DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (ODI): None
DISPENSATIONS - None

The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time.

Mr C Rowberry reported that the rural footpath to the new school had been resurfaced by the County Council and that some cars were parking on the A448 and the footpath.

The meeting was re-opened.

3. **MINUTES**

- a) The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3 December 2012 were approved and signed.
- b) The Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 3 December 2012 were formally accepted.

4. **APPOINTMENT OF CO-OPTED COUNCILLOR**

Two applicants for the vacancy addressed Councillors, after which a vote was taken. Sarah Pritchard of Drayton was appointed with immediate effect.

5. **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

The Chairman reported that he had assisted a resident with an application for more suitable accommodation and had discussions with residents regarding resurfacing of Fishers Lane.

6. **CHADDESLEY CORBETT PARISH MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION**

- 6.1 **Parish Council Precept:** Still awaiting information from the District Council on new Tax Bandings. Deferred to next meeting.
- 6.2 **Neighbourhood Planning:** Cllr D Thomas reported that all the working groups were meeting during January to prepare survey questions on a variety of issues. A questionnaire was due to be sent to residents in February 2013.
- 6.3 **Footpath to the new school:**
County Councillor Stephen Clee had sent a written report on the upgrading of the rural footpath which had been done during the Christmas holidays. A more permanent solution would be to extend the pavement on the A448 from the Fox to the new school. The County Council had obtained a quotation from Ringway of £25,000 for the work. £6,000 would be provided by the Trustees of the Education Foundation Trust, £4,000 from Cllr Clee's locally determined funds and the Parish Council were asked to make a donation. The balance

would be met from County Council budgets. Cllrs agreed that this was worthwhile, although there was some doubt as to how many people would use it. However, they would support the project provided alternative quotes were obtained and some improvements to the existing pavement were made. Decision deferred pending further information.

- 6.4 **Fishers Lane:** The Chairman had met with residents to discuss resurfacing of the lane and reported that a quote of £1,200 had been obtained. It was agreed that the Parish Council will give £600 as their share of the cost.
 - 6.5 **Contractors:** Following legal advice, no changes would be made to existing contractors terms and conditions.
 - 6.6 **The Holloway:** A meeting had taken place with residents, County Council and Community Housing. The County Council and Community Housing would be responsible for the trees on the one side of the lane and two residents would share the cost of a report and potential work on the other side.
 - 6.7 **Lengthsman:** Work had been carried out at Hill Pool, Fox Lane and Harvington Hall Lane to clear leaves and gully's and to assist with flooding issues.
 - 6.8 **Drainage:** It was agreed to hire a JCB to carry out ditch clearance at four separate locations around the parish at a cost of £220 per day. A trailer might also be required to remove arisings. Three other drainage issues were identified and reported to the Hub.
 - 6.9 **Parish Footpaths:** Work had been completed as agreed and an updated schedule of work was provided to Councillors. Emergency work had been carried out at Harvington due to vandalism of gates. It was agreed to remove the Bridleway sign (597) at the entrance to Footpath 591.
 - 6.10 **Allotments:** Invoices had been issued to tenants and the bollard should be installed during January. Tenants had been asked if they wished to purchase a key to the bollard.
7. **DATES FOR MEETINGS**
 - 7.1 Parish Council Police Liaison Meeting 25 January 2013 7.00 p.m. Kidderminster Police Station – Cllrs Mrs J Fox to attend
 - 7.2 NP-Working Group Meeting – History, Architecture – 7.30 p.m. The Lodge, Tuesday 8 January 2013.
 - 7.3 NP – Steering Group Meeting County Hall, Worcester 10.00 a.m. Friday 11 January 2013.
 - 7.4 NP-Working Group Community and Leisure – 7.30 p.m. The Hawthorns, Tuesday 15 January 2013.
 - 7.5 NP – Steering Group 10.00 a.m. Thursday 17 January 2013 Civic Centre.
 - 7.6 NP-WG Housing – 7.00 p.m. The Surgery, Monday 21 January 2013.
 - 7.7 Joint CALC/Parish Forum – 6.30 p.m. Monday 25 March 2013 Civic Centre.
 - 7.8 Chairmans' Meeting, Civic Centre, Wednesday 23 January 2013 at 6.00 p.m.
 8. **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM CLLRS REPRESENTING OUTSIDE BODIES:**

Minutes of Wyre Forest Area CALC meeting held on 11 December 2012 had been circulated and were noted.

9. CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS

NALC Consultation – Code of Conduct. It was agreed that the Council would vote for the removal of spouses financial interests from the Declarations of Interest form.

10. CLERK'S REPORT ON ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The clerk reported:

- Redcross – cleaning of footpath and road following recent flooding had still not been done despite reminders both from the clerk and a local resident. It was agreed we could do nothing further except keep up the pressure until the work was done.
- Notice board at Briar Hill had broken and was being repaired.
- Consultation on extension of 30 mph speed limit near the new school had been advertised on notice boards and the website, but some residents had still not seen it.
- Bridge in Fox Lane – Defects had been inspected but were no worse, although this would be monitored.
- Park Lane – trees had been cut back by Community Housing and resident asked to cut back hedge of opposite site of road. This should make a slight improvement, but really the road is too narrow at this point and needs widening.
- District Council have agreed to empty a litter bin near the new bus shelter and this would be purchased and fitted as soon as possible.
- District Council have arranged a Parish Quiz night on 13 March. It was agreed to ask Hilary Boden if she could put a team together for this event.

10 FINANCIAL REPORT

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

PAYMENTS

CC Village Hall	Room Hire - December	43.00
Ben Matthews	Lengthsman	294.00
AAT	Clerk's professional subscription	131.00
Weatheroak Farm	Storage Salt	135.00
Y L Scriven	Quarterly Net Salary	1,998.75
HMRC	Quarterly PAYE/NIC	585.57
Geoffrey Holding	Parish Paths Maintenance	520.00
Shrewsbury Town Council	Training Course	15.00
Don Robbins	Burial Ground Maintenance	172.80
HMRC	PAYE/NIC	628.77
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		£4,523.89

RECEIPTS

Worcestershire CC	Lengthsman Scheme	<hr/>
		£714.00

11.2 A Bank Reconciliation for December had been circulated to all Councillors together with an analysis of costs against budget.

12. **NEW ISSUES and ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:** Monday 4 February 2013
Interviews for new Councillor

The meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.