

CHOLESBURY-CUM-ST LEONARDS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held at Cholesbury Village Hall
on Monday 23rd March 2009 at 8 p.m.

Present: Cllrs Blomfield, Brown, Allen, Coates, Horn, and Sanger.

Also present: Mr Clarke (Clerk), County Cllr Birchley (part) and one member of the public.

Apologies: None.

598) Resignation of Cllr Newall.

The Chairman had received written notice of resignation from Cllr Newall. He had regretfully accepted this and thanked Cllr Newall for all her work for the Council.

Graham Lincoln will be asked if the possible vacancy can be published in the next edition of Hilltop News.

599) Approval of Minutes.

Minutes of meetings of the Council held on 23rd February 2009 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

600) Declarations of Interest.

Cllr Blomfield, whose wife is a Trustee of St Leonards Parish Hall and Cllr Horn, who is the Council's representative on the Hall Management Committee, declared an interest in agenda item 13.

601) Standing Order 7 was suspended enabling members of the public to speak.

District Cllr Birchley expressed dissatisfaction with the condition of roads following recent frost and will carry out further surveys with Mr Schwier and Mr Barber. It was noted that an accident in icy conditions on Gilberts Hill involving a horse and rider had necessitated use of the Chiltern Air Ambulance.

Mrs Birchley also spoke about school intake figures and implementation of speed limits.

602) Clerk's Report.

a) **The Clerk will try to identify the owners of bridleway 51 (opposite Black Horse).**

b) **A formal request will be made to Bucks County Council for a copy of their business plan and schedule of works to repair potholes, clear drains and gullies and carry out general road maintenance.**

603) Questions to the Chairman.

None.

604) Reports.

a) Local Area Forum. Cllr Brown said that the initial meeting is likely to be held in July.

b) NAG. Cllr Coates said that a meeting will be held on 26th March at St Leonards Church Room. PC Mutch is to be replaced by PC Kevin Flint as officer responsible for this area.

605) Finance.

a) The Clerk's financial report was received.

b) A risk assessment was carried out with no amendments to the previous year's outcome. A separate assessment will be held for proposed 75th Anniversary events including family sports day and the Pantomime.

c) The following payments were approved.

Frank Brown & Son, allotment hedge maintenance, £57.50.

Thames Water, allotments, £7.30.

BALC, subscription, £121.02.

- d) **The Clerk's salary was increased to £5,182.63 per annum, in accordance with a revised BALC/SLCC agreement, backdated to 1st April 2008.**
 - e) **A donation of £50, together with a letter of thanks for assistance with NATS responses will be sent to LLATVCC.**
 - f) **Mr D Ball was re-appointed as Internal Auditor. An additional £20 for audit of archived documents was approved.**
- 606) Planning.
- a) Applications.
 - 0189. Broomstick Farm, Parrots Lane. Demolition of existing barn and erection of replacement barn for home office and ancillary residential accommodation. **This Council, whilst not objecting to the application, asks the Planning Authority to impose a condition that the proposed building should not be used as a separate dwelling.**
 - 0205. Heath End Cottage. Single storey rear extension, replacement porch and minor alterations at rear. **No comment.**
 - b) Decisions.
 - 2022. The White Lion, Jenkins Lane. Demolition of existing outbuilding and erection of replacement outbuilding. Approved.
 - c) Appeals. None.
 - d) Cllr Blomfield reported on meetings he had attended at Chiltern District Council concerning Development Control and Enforcement.
- 607) Falcon Motor Club.
- Cllr Brown had held discussions with the club, which uses Hill Farm Road, about their use of the road for motor sport. They have agreed to notify the Parish Council in advance for any future events.
- 608) Parish Council 75th Anniversary.
- Cllr Coates said that further events had been confirmed as follows:
- St Mary's Church Patronal Festival, 4/5 July
 - School Concert, 26th June.
 - St Leonards Church Concert, 18 or 19 September.
 - Civic Service, St Leonards Parish Hall, 18th October.
 - School coffee morning, 2nd April, in aid of Hearing Dogs for the Deaf.
- There will also be a possible Parish Council Reception with presents for children, badging of the renovated area at Buckland Common and a lasting memorial or project.
- 609) St Leonards Parish Hall
- A request had been received from the Trustees of the Hall for financial support in maintaining the playground equipment. It was agreed in principle that the Council will fund the playground subject to agreement on costs and responsibilities. **The Trustees will be asked to provide historical maintenance costs and projected replacement costs. Members of the Council will meet the Trustees at the playground on Monday 27th April at 7.30 p.m. to discuss details.**
- 610) Water Leaks
- A letter will be sent to Thames Water requesting replacement of the water main in Cholesbury Lane/Hawridge Hill between Horseblock and Chapel Lane.**

The meeting closed at 10.12 pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....

Date of next meeting: Monday 27th April at St Leonards Parish Hall.