

**Minutes of the Chisworth Parish Council Meeting
held on 24th November 2021**

Present: Councillor M. Bell (Chair); Councillor N. Jones; Councillor Do Brereton; Councillor J. Sargent; Councillor Da Brereton; A. Darkins (Clerk)

1. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 27th October 2021

It was **AGREED** that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 27th October 2021 be **APPROVED** as a true record. The minutes were signed by the Chair.

2. Apologies – Councillor Jean Wharmby

3. Declarations of Interest – None

4. Public participation – Malcolm Cronshaw

5. PC Twort and PCSO Walsh

Police attended the meeting to discuss any local issues and concerns. The spate of burglaries/car thefts seem to have passed. They do happen periodically and residents are invited to notify the police of any concerns. The continuing issue is with the volume and speed of traffic through the village exacerbated by poor driving behaviour. Following discussion, the plan is that the police representatives will

- Request that the civilian parking enforcement officers (employed by DCC) will be asked to visit the village and inspect/ticket those vehicles parking on pavements and near junctions.
- Ask for the community speed detection van to visit the village during commuting times
- Hold an open session for residents on Friday 26th November, 10am-2pm outside Village Greens
- Link in with The Hunters to hold another open session
- PC Twort will pass the clerk's email address onto the CREST (Casualty Reduction Enforcement Support) Team so the clerk can discuss the use of Vehicle Activated Speed Cameras in the village.

6. Review of previous actions (where not included as an agenda item)

- **Rec work**
 - The Councillors will put up the bird boxes on Saturday 4th December 2021 at 10.00am. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Bell would purchase 10 straps and the clerk would put the date on the WhatsApp group.
 - No camping signs to be put up over the next couple of weeks.
- **Environment**
 - The clerk is monitoring the outstanding reports and following up where necessary
 - The hedge by height by Far Woodseats Lane (obscuring the bus stop) has still not been reduced despite Derbyshire County Council having written again to the landowner. Clerk is following up with Councillor Wharmby who is liaising with the Highways Director.
 - DCC have accepted ownership of the disputed grit bins in Chisworth.
 - It was **AGREED** that the clerk would report the overgrown foliage along the Prisma wall which is impeding pedestrians
 - It was **AGREED** that the clerk would draft a response letter about the chicken sheds off Woodseats Lane, accepting the offer of a site visit in the spring.
 - The clerk has reported the leaves and kerbside debris for sweeping. It was **AGREED** that the clerk would send out the reporting link for additional reporting
- **Footpaths**

- Walks booklet discussed. It was **AGREED** not to progress the booklet due to the plethora of walking and footpath maps/apps available.
- Footpath 67 steps. Work not completed yet. Awaiting additional detail from Rights of Way before obtaining access permission for contractors on behalf of DCC. The clerk will then approach the landowner.
- Footpath 30 broken way marker and other footpath reports - Clerk continues to follow up
- **Annual Plan**
 - Possible Commemorative benches. Councillors viewed the types and costs of benches and **AGREED** that the cost of a bespoke bench is prohibitive. The clerk will explore other bench options if needed in the future.
 - The 20's Plenty zoom meeting has been arranged with the Derbyshire Lead for Wednesday 1st December.
 - Speed survey planned for April 22, however, as Chisworth does not have any lampposts, Highways have suggested a site visit to discuss how best to progress. Road strips are an option and will cost approximately £220 per site. The clerk will let councillors know the date of the site visit.
 - Councillor Do Brereton to source a donated Christmas Tree if possible
 - Christmas Tree lights to be purchased. £50 spend **APPROVED**. Mr Cronshaw passed on his and Mr Woodward's offer of help with the Christmas Tree/community events.
- **Planning**
 - Discussed outstanding planning applications. It was **AGREED** that the clerk would invite Councillor Wharmby to the January meeting to discuss delays in timescales for decision-making.

7. Finance

- a. Minor Maintenance submission. Submission completed and signed by the Chair. Clerk to submit
- b. Expenditure **approved**
 - a. Rec maintenance £102
 - b. Printer ink £18.50
 - c. Dog waste bags £53.80

8. Commemorative Tree

An Oak tree has been planted on Charlesworth village Green to commemorate those from Charlesworth and Chisworth who have sadly lost their lives to Covid during this pandemic. There will be a commemoration service on Thursday 2nd December at 1.30pm. Councillor Bell will represent the Parish Council.

9. Planning

- HPK/2020/0177 Oakwood Farm land fill No decision yet by High Peak
- HPK/2021/0518 Owd House, Far Woodseats No decision yet by High Peak
- HPK/2021/0182 Hilltop Farm New Mills Rd No decision yet by High Peak
- HPK/2021/0552 High Ash Access track No decision yet by High Peak

10. Governance

- 3 yearly Internal Audit review – The Parish Council is satisfied with the current process.
- Standing Financial Regulations – document **APPROVED** for the coming year

11. Correspondence

- DALC circulars – noted.
- DCC charge for legal services for planters and village gateways

11. Additional issues

- Silent Soldier and nonnies to be taken down this weekend by Councillor Bell

12. Date of next meeting – 26th January 2022

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting.

Signed..... Date.....