

**Minutes of the Chisworth Parish Council Meeting
held on 27th September 2023**

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

1. Minutes of the Chisworth Parish Council meeting held on 26th July 2023

It was **AGREED** that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 26th July 2023 be **APPROVED** as a true record. The minutes were signed by the Vice Chair.

2. Apologies – Councillor J. Wharmby.

3. Declarations of Interest on agenda items– None

4. Public participation

None

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

- **Rec work**
 - Trimming work on Rec trees to be done over the autumn
- **Environment**
 - The clerk has reported the blocked grids following the road resurfacing, however, this has not been actioned. It was **AGREED** that the clerk would follow up again.
 - Pavement sweeping to be requested again. It was **AGREED** that the clerk would follow up again and will call into the Surrey St depot.
 - Overgrown hedges along Marple Road pushing pedestrians into the road with risks of oncoming traffic. This has been pursued with DCC since 2017, with numerous letters being sent to the landowner, with no action taken. Councillor Wharmby followed this up on our behalf and the clerk has received information from DCC that a further letter will be sent to the landowner and if still non compliant, a further letter with the possibility of legal action will be sent. It was **AGREED** that the clerk would contact DCC to make sure that the letters were being sent to the correct person/address. In relation to the obscured bus stop sign by Far Woodseats, the matter has been referred internally within DCC to see if changes to the bus flag can be made to make it more visible. A yellow bus stop box painted on the road surface is only considered where there is a parking problem, so would not be considered for this spot. Thanks to Councillor Wharmby for the feedback.
 - The landowner of the footpath by Great Luckins Barn has assured the visiting Rights of Way Officer that the footpath access is always passable and that the gate is not locked.
 - Councillor Bell requested additional replacement dog poo signs. It was **AGREED** that the clerk would approach Councillor Wharmby in the first instance.
 - Coronation Willow Arch. Councillor Jones has the details for ordering the arch kit. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Jones would order a 3m arch for delivery early November and planted after the Chisworth Bonfire. Discussed the potential role of Chisworth Chums in helping with this. There is a working party on the Rec this Saturday, so Councillors Bell and Jones will raise this with Diane Deakins. Siting of the arch also discussed and agreed.
- **Planning**
 - Update given on outstanding planning applications

6. Finance

- a) Q2 Finance report **APPROVED**, once surplus to date calculation corrected.

b) Expenditure **APPROVED**.

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| i. MAD Industries Rec | £112 +£112 – July and August |
| ii. MAD Industries Garden | £112 + £112- July and August |
| iii. Clerk Q2 salary | £381.90 |

c) 2 x Parish Council Debit cards received from Lloyds. One is with the clerk and one is with Councillor Jones.

d) The Council was informed of the cessation of posted bank statements. In future, the clerk will print off statements via electronic banking.

7. Planning

Update provided during action plan update.

8. Sewage discharge into Chisworth Brook

Councillor P. Bell had written to United Utilities (UU) about the concerns of the number of discharges into the brook. The reply explained the challenges dealing with an old system. However, Chisworth wastewater system has been identified for upgrades during the next investment period to the tune of £1.7 million. In conjunction, there is currently a £20 million improvement project at Glossop Wastewater Treatment Works. Thanks to Councillor P. Bell for the information.

Discussion continued about the broken waste pump at Kinderlee Mill. The Mill management company are arranging to pump out at the pump site, drive up the access track and are discharging the waste into the sewer access in the car park at the top of Kinderlee. There have also been complaints of foul smells. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Bell would draft a letter to the Management Company about this unacceptable practice. The clerk will obtain the management company's details.

9. Chisworth Chums

Councillor Jones highlighted that following the initial meeting with Chisworth Chums on the Rec, this was not fed back to the whole Parish Council to inform everybody what had been discussed. This to be rectified in the future.

10. Chisworth Bonfire

This years agreed budget has a donation to the Chisworth Bonfire fireworks already agreed. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Sargent would let the clerk know whom the donation should be sent to.

11. Remembrance Sunday

It was **AGREED** that the clerk would order the poppy wreath

12. Governance

- a) Keeping of documents – It was **AGREED** that the clerk would review the keeping of documents in line with DALC guidance. This will mean a substantial reduction in saved paper, files and documents.
- b) Business Continuity Update. Updated version in progress.

13. Correspondence

- o DALC circulars – noted
- o Remidi (Community service clean up teams) to attend October meeting.
- o A57 Link Road legal challenge – noted
- o Cyber Security month – **AGREED** clerk to advertise
- o Town and Parish Council Liaison Forum presentations – noted
- o Snow Warden scheme – noted

14. Update

Charlesworth Parish Council raised the proposal of a repair shop format for the villages. Discussed some of the issues this would raise. There is already a repair shop at Glossop Labour Club. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Bell would discuss further with Councillor Swindells.

A carpet is due to be laid in the main church building soon, with a craft fair being planned for once the carpet is in. The church is keen for events to be held in the church space and that the building is a community resource.

15. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 25th October 2023.

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

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