

Churt Parish Council
Clerk to the Council
Mrs Dawn Barrow

**Minutes of the meeting of Churt Parish Council
held on Wednesday 20 February 2019
in the Churt Pavilion at 7.30 p.m.**

Present

Churt Councillors: David Crossley, Roger Rowe, Adrian Waller, Eunice Burch, John Petty

Surrey County Council: 1
Waverley Borough Council: 0
Clerk to the Council: Dawn Barrow
Members of the Public: 2 (Richard Bourne and Rev. Clare Challis)

19/12 Chairman's welcome

Cllr Crossley welcomed all to the meeting and invited Richard Bourne to speak. Ref WA/2018/0928, the public have until Feb 28 to put in objections. Cllr Crossley to write to Elizabeth Simms at Waverley BC to reiterate our earlier objection.

Cllr Harmer stated that following representations from his constituents he has spoken to the planners regarding Borrowdale. The law upholds the legal usage permitted by the current permission (which in terms of vehicle movements is in fact greater than the current usage) so it is best not to object on the basis of traffic movements.

There is a meeting of the local parishes on Feb 26th to discuss monies available for the Western Villages. It seems likely there will be a further squeeze on budgets and the Highways managers have invited Cllr Harmer to meet with them post the meeting. Unlikely to be any Member's Allocation monies.

Clare Challis stated everyone delighted with the new footpath and the school are already using it. Some people have asked why it was not tarmaced?

Cllr Crossley mentioned it was a matter of initial cost, ongoing maintenance costs and the fact Grasstex had advised not to tarmac the path as on top of tree roots.

Clare Challis mentioned there are monies available for school projects so maybe the school and Parish could work together on future projects

19/13 Apologies for absence

Cllrs Cordell, Martin and Ryland.

19/14 Disclosure of Pecuniary and other Interests

None

19/15 Election of new vice chairman of Parish Council and co-option of Katy Law

Cllr Crossley **proposed** Cllr Waller be voted in as the new vice chairman, **seconded** by Cllr Petty, **all in agreement**.

Katy Law spoke very eloquently at the recent Symondstone meeting. She is a lawyer who works in Canary Wharf and is already involved with the ongoing parking issues at the end of Jumps Road. She was asked if she would like to join Churt PC and was delighted to. Her CV had previously been circulated to all councillors.

Proposed by Cllr Crossley, seconded by Cllr Waller, all in favour.

19/16 Minutes of the meeting of 16 January 2019

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2019 were **AGREED** by all. **Proposed by Cllr Rowe, seconded by Cllr Burch.**

19/17 Report of the Clerk to the Council

- 1) Grant of £250 sent to CAB (as agreed Dec 2018)**
- 2) Clerk to attend meeting of local parish and town clerks at Waverley BC offices 6 March**
- 3) Business debit card requested for PC Lloyds account**

19/18 Committee and portfolio responsibilities and reports

19/18.1 Community and Environment (SR)

19/18.1.1 Lighting protocol

Cllr Ryland will set up a meeting with other local parishes (Tilford and Dockenfield) re possible lighting protocol

19/18.1.2 Crime and Disorder

Cllr Crossley mentioned a few local break-ins and car thefts typically of Landrover Defenders, in the surrounding villages.

19/18.1.3 Village centre portfolio

Quite a number of vehicles received parking tickets on the Saturday after the bad snow. The Clerk confirmed the tickets were incorrectly issued and any challenges had been upheld.

19/18.2 Roads and Transport

19/18.2.1 Jumps Road parking and sculpture park.

Cllrs Martin and Law will work together on this issue.

Cllr Harmer has asked the parking team to defer any visits until the Bank Holiday when matters will most likely be at their worst.

The Sculpture Park apparently has 1000 sculptures in it when planning permission allows only 600.

19/18.2.2 VAS siting and training.

Councillors agreed the 2 prime areas for the siting of the temporary VAS on the A287 were 1) approaching the zebra crossing from Hindhead end and 2) near the church from Farnham direction. The VAS machine needs to be purchased by 31 March or else the order gets cancelled. Training will be on Monday evenings. The machine can be installed with the speed monitor turned on or off. 7 local parishes involved, all need to insure when in their own Parish.

19/19 Financial Matters

19/19.1 Payments for authorisation - January 2019

Proposed by Cllr Waller, seconded by Cllr Burch and AGREED by all.

Appendix 2 - Payments for January 2019 - circulated

19/19.2 Budget Update and Income report - January 2019

Noted.

Appendix 3 - Expenditure v Budget - circulated

19/19.3 Possible affiliation fee to Surrey Playing Fields Association

All councillors agreed to the annual fee to SPFA of £10.

19/20 Planning

19/20.1 -To note and comment on current planning applications:

WA/2018/2114 Land off Old barn Lane, Churt - no comment

WA/2019/0125 Warrens, Hale House Lane, Churt - no comment

Recent Applications:

Symondstone update and meeting of 20 Jan 2019

EHDC refused the application for a Lawful Development Certificate. This decision could have a national impact.

Owners can reapply but any new application will have to be substantially different. Owners still do not have a permit for sewage disposal. It will cost between £1 and 2 million to connect the site to the Churt sewer. Meeting of 20 Jan very well attended and raised funds to support SCAG. There have been 270 objections against the site with only 2 in favour.

Royale Park Homes still advertising on their own website.

19/21 Emergency Plan Update (AW)

Draft plan updated and circulated. All felt this plan was now in its final format and could be uploaded onto the website.

SSE have a £20,000 resilience fund, deadline for applications 23 May, consider an application for a generator.

Cllr Crossley thanked Cllr Waller and his team for all their hard work on the emergency plan.

19/22 Memorial to Ian Christie

Clerk has met again with Di Christie. She would like a cricket cup in Ian's name.

19/23 Update on encampment procedure (DC)

SCC encampment protocol now in its 7th draft in liaison with Surrey Police. This could be due to changing regulations with regard to evicting travellers.

19/24 Possible war memorial refurbishment

It has been confirmed that we are eligible for a grant for cleaning and repointing the main memorial but will not support relettering.

However everything is covered for the memorial piers.

DC and Clerk to complete 16 page application form. Grant could be up to 70% of cost. In the meantime CHAPS have kindly agreed to maintain and replant the memorial.

Other matters

There being no other business the meeting of the Churt Parish Council closed at 8.45pm. There then followed a meeting of the Churt Recreation Ground Trust (See separate Minutes).

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Signed:

Chairman

Date:

The next meetings of the Churt Parish Council and Churt Recreation Ground Trust will be held on **Wednesday 20 March 2019 at 7.30pm in the pavilion.**