

# CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY 1 OCTOBER 2018  
AT THE PAVILION, WITCHCOMBE CLOSE, GREAT CHEVERELL

Minute No.	Item	Action
145/18	<b>Councillors in Attendance:</b> A. Alexander (Chair), R. Hayward, S. Pearce, P. Cadwgan, K. Porter Cllr. R. Gamble (Wiltshire Council)	
146/18	<b>Public in Attendance:</b> 6	
147/18	<b>Apologies for Absence:</b> Mr. T. Knight (Governor, Erlestoke Prison), PCSO G. Dodd (Wiltshire Police), Mr. D. Read (VPRA)	
148/18	<b>Applications for Councillor vacancies:</b> Council <i>welcomed</i> Mrs. Beth Morillo-Hall to the meeting, and <i>unanimously appointed</i> her to fill one of the vacant positions. Councillor Morillo-Hall signed her Acceptance of Office, and joined the Council.  A further application for the remaining vacancy, from Mr. Nick Bland, will be considered at the November meeting.	
149/18	<b>Open Forum:</b> The Chair informed the meeting that an application to register the Great Cheverell Stores and Post Office (“the shop”) as an <b>Asset of Community Value</b> had been made to Wiltshire Council, which can take around 8 weeks to process. The owners of the shop had not yet made a decision on their future, as they were still reviewing their financial position. While the Council was supportive of any move that would retain the shop and a Post Office within the village, its powers and available time were limited, so any initiative would have to be community-led. Those present made comments about mobile Post Office and banking services, which would need to be explored further once a decision had been reached (to do so prematurely could result in the immediate closure of the Post Office by Royal Mail). In response to a direct question, the Council would consider providing funding from its Reserves, on a basis to be agreed and giving due consideration to other financial pressures, to any community-based shop.	

150/18	<b>Disclosures of Interest:</b> None declared.	
151/18	<b>Minutes of the Meeting held on 3 September 2018:</b> <i>Agreed</i> unanimously without amendment. Signed off by the Chair for Public Display.  As well as approving the Minutes as a true and fair reflection of the discussions concerning the shop, Council <i>unanimously</i> expressed their confidence in the Clerk over the reporting of this issue.	Clerk
152/18	<b>Report by Cllr. R. Gamble, Wiltshire Council:</b> a) An inspection between Wiltshire Council officers and Parish Councillors to review drainage issues through the village was still to be arranged. b) With regard to Victoria Park, it was <i>noted</i> that the Atkins Report was still under consideration. All parties, including the local MP, were maintaining pressure on the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) over this. c) A Boundary Review of Wiltshire Parishes was unlikely to affect Great Cheverell, although it could have an impact on Erlestoke. Wiltshire Council would be making its final submission to the Boundary Commission on 16 October.	Cllr. Gamble / A. Alexander
153/18	<b>Wiltshire Police:</b> A written report has been received, which is on the website.	
154/18	<b>Clerk's Report:</b> a) <i>Tree Survey:</i> quotations were being sought for the works required around the Pavilion, which would be presented to the November meeting for consideration. Council <i>asked</i> for a range of options, including felling all four Poplar trees on Witchcombe Green. The Clerk reported that no work was being undertaken on Queen Anne's Land at this time, as ownership of the land was being questioned by the Church. b) <i>Playground inspection:</i> Cllr. Hayward <i>agreed</i> to form a Working Party to review and undertake the RoSPA recommendations, probably over the weekend of 13/14 October. c) <i>Footpath map:</i> Cllr. Alexander <i>agreed</i> to pursue corporate sponsorship for an appropriate display board. d) <i>Training:</i> RoSPA training for Cllr. Porter in the sum of £235+VAT was <i>approved</i> . General Councillor training for Cllr. Porter in the sum of £35+VAT was <i>approved</i> . Other Councillors were <i>asked</i> to contact the Clerk promptly to indicate if they wished to undertake general training at the same time.	Clerk  R. Hayward  A. Alexander  Clerk  All Councillors

155/18	<p><b>Finance:</b></p> <p>a) Council <i>noted</i> the current balances and projected outturn. The following payments were <i>approved</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk’s Salary (October 2018);</li> <li>• £28.00 – Ringstones Media re. Website management (October 2018)</li> </ul> <p>(NB. both of these payments are made by Standing Order)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £72.00 – Wiltshire Council re. Council Tax on playing field (paid by Direct Debit)</li> <li>• £127.82 – Playdale Playgrounds Ltd. re. 2 x gate springs (including £21.30 recoverable VAT)</li> <li>• £118.31 – Clerk’s expenses re. Printing, Land Registry fees and presentations (including £17.84 recoverable VAT)</li> <li>• £113.40 – RoSPA Playsafety re. Playground safety inspection (including £18.90 recoverable VAT)</li> </ul> <p>b) With regard to the Playground budget, a Supplementary budget of £1.02, to cover the slight overspend, was <i>approved</i>. With regard to the Training budget, a Supplementary budget of £222.50 was <i>approved</i>, subject to ongoing review.</p> <p>c) A transfer of £2,000 between the Community and Money Manager accounts, to preserve the Council’s cash flow position, was <i>approved</i>.</p> <p>d) The 2017/18 Final Accounts report is still awaited from the Auditors. Council <i>agreed</i>, despite the fact that it could apply for an exemption, to require a full external review of the 2017/18 Accounts at a fee of £200. This position would be reviewed for future years.</p> <p>e) Council <i>considered</i> the draft 2019/20 Budget, which would become a Standing Item up to the January 2019 meeting when the Precept would be set. There was a general feeling that the current Precept level should be maintained, and possibly increased, to build up reserves for future projects such as the enhanced playpark.</p>	
156/18	<p><b>Standing Reports:</b></p> <p>a) <i>VPR</i>A: Mr. M. James attended the meeting in place of Mr. D. Read. Recognising the large number of failing street lights, which MoJ was not addressing, Council <i>agreed</i> to refer this to the Health and Safety Executive on public safety grounds.</p>	Clerk

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156/18 (contd.)	<p>b) <i>Planning</i>: Cllr. Porter reported her findings. Council <b>commented</b>:                      18/08383/FUL (85 High Street): placing of mobile home not to exceed 2 years;                      18/09025/FUL (1, The Green): objection, as there is an existing Covenant to keep the house as one dwelling;                      18/09065/TCA (24 High Street): no comment.</p> <p>c) <i>Dog fouling</i>: Cllr. Alexander reported that CCTV cameras had been purchased at a cost of around £120 (which would be reimbursed by the Council) and are being tested prior to placement. Appropriate signage would be designed.</p> <p>d) <i>Traffic</i>: Cllr. Cadwgan was <b>asked</b> to obtain quotes for purchasing a Speed Indication Device (SID), showing faces rather than speeds, to further deter speeding through the village.</p> <p>e) <i>Parish Steward</i>: Cllr. Pearce will add the Hill Corner / Weavers Mead footpath to the programme of works.</p> <p>f) <i>Footpaths</i>: Cheverell Parva PC should be asked to clear footpath CHEP5, and also overhanging hedges along the C40 heading towards the A360.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>A. Alexander</p> <p>P. Cadwgan</p> <p>S. Pearce</p> <p>Clerk</p>
157/18	<p><b>Strategic Developments</b>  <i>Playpark extension</i>: Cllr. Alexander and Cllr. Morillo-Hall would be meeting with a range of providers to consider proposals.                      Parishioners should be asked for their views and ideas via <i>News and Views</i>.</p>	<p>A. Alexander                      / B. Morillo-Hall</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<b>The meeting closed at 9.10pm.</b>		

**NEXT MEETING:** Monday 5 November, 7.30pm  
 Monday 3 December 2018, 7.30pm  
 At The Pavilion, Witchcombe Close

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