

CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 1 APRIL 2019
AT THE PAVILION, WITCHCOMBE CLOSE, GREAT CHEVERELL

Minute No.	Item	Action
37/19	Councillors in Attendance: A. Alexander (Chair), R. Hayward, S. Pearce, P. Cadwgan, B. Morillo-Hall	
38/19	Public in Attendance: 3	
39/19	Apologies for Absence: Cllr. N. Bland (work commitments), Cllr. K. Porter (illness) PCSO G. Dodd, Wiltshire Police	
40/19	Open Forum: Mrs. H. Simons raised concerns about speeding through the village, and recent cases of vandalism of Public Notice boards. There were also instances of Rogue Traders in the village. Council was deeply concerned to learn that obscene racist and sexist graffiti had been found on playpark equipment, which would be removed. It was agreed that all these issues would be reported to Wiltshire Police, requesting a detailed report on proposed action.	Clerk
41/19	Disclosures of Interest: None declared.	
42/19	Minutes of the Meeting held on 18 March 2019: Agreed unanimously without amendment. Signed off by the Chair for Public Display.	Clerk
43/19	Report by Cllr. R. Gamble, Wiltshire Council: No report received.	
44/19	Wiltshire Police: No report received.	
45/19	Clerk's Report: a) <i>Risk Register:</i> Council reviewed the current Risk Register. While noting that a computer backup system had been put in place that ameliorated the risk of loss of data, no changes were proposed.	

	<p>b) <i>Traffic (see also Minute 40/19 above)</i>: Council noted that the incident on 23 March, resulting in a car leaving the road and damaging a private hedge, had been reported to Erlestoke Prison as the driver was a uniformed Warder. The Governor had responded that further instructions would be issued to all Prison staff requiring them to obey speed limits in Great Cheverell.</p> <p>c) <i>Annual Parish Meeting, 25 April</i>: Council agreed the format of the meeting, the provision of refreshments, and the purchase of drinks from Great Cheverell Stores.</p>	<p>All Councillors Clerk</p>
<p>46/19</p>	<p>Finance:</p> <p>a) Council noted the current balances, and projected outturns for 2018/19 and 2019/20. The following payments were approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk’s Salary (April 2019) – the increase in the Clerk’s salary wef. 1/4/2019, in accordance with revised NJC scales, was approved; • £28.00 – Ringstones Media re. Website management (April 2019) <p>(NB. both of these payments are made by Standing Order)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £33.78 – Mr. R. Hayward re. refreshments at the village clean-up on 23 March (incl. £3.06 recoverable VAT) <p>b) Council noted a £500 transfer between Bank Accounts, to maintain solvency.</p> <p>c) Council noted the process for approving the 2018/19 Final Accounts, and approved (<i>proposed Cllr. Alexander, seconded Cllr. Hayward, all in favour</i>) the application for a Small Authority Exemption to the External Auditor, saving the £200 Audit Fee which added no value over the more comprehensive independent Internal Audit and Public Inspection of Accounts.</p>	
<p>47/19</p>	<p>Standing Reports:</p> <p>a) <i>Victoria Park Residents Association (VPRA)</i>: Further to Minute 35/19(a) of the March meeting, Council again noted the concerns of Mr. D. Read that previous Minutes concerning grounds maintenance volunteers and the reporting of noise from Erlestoke Prison were incorrect, but again agreed that the Minutes fairly reflected the expectations of Council. It was however accepted that available grounds maintenance volunteers could not be nominated until the transfer of functions had been agreed with the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) at some point in the future.</p>	

	<p>With regard to the reporting of noise from Erlestoke Prison, Council requested to be kept informed of occurrences so that they could be recorded and taken up with the Governor by a Statutory Body should the need arise, as the Governor had previously requested. Mr. Read agreed to contact Claire Perry (MP for Devizes) urgently to discuss grounds maintenance work on the Village Green (playing field). Cllr. Morillo-Hall agreed to undertake a RoSPA-style safety inspection of the climbing frame on the Village Green. Mr. Read reported that he had no knowledge of progress on the new Pumping Station.</p> <p>b) <i>Litter</i>: The Chair recorded his thanks and appreciation to everyone who took part in the Village Clean-up on 23 March, which was very successful. Particular thanks were recorded to Mrs. Amber Hayward for preparing the refreshments. It was agreed that the exercise would be repeated in the Autumn, and publicised in a Village Newsletter.</p> <p>c) <i>Playground Extension</i>: Cllr. Morillo-Hall reported that, following discussions with local children, the ‘rope walk’ system was preferred at a cost of around £30,000. This would be the subject of further discussion at the Annual Parish Meeting on 25 April. Cllr. Morillo-Hall also circulated a new system for recording playground inspections, which was approved with the proviso that all electronic records be properly backed-up.</p> <p>d) Council noted the positions on Planning applications (Cllr. Porter), and outstanding actions on the footpath map, hanging baskets (Cllr. Alexander), village newsletter (Clerk), and tasks for the Parish Steward (Cllr. Pearce).</p>	<p>D. Read</p> <p>B. Morillo-Hall</p> <p>N. Bland Clerk</p> <p>N. Bland</p>
48/19	Strategic Planning: No issues raised.	
	The meeting closed at 9.02pm.	

NEXT MEETINGS:

Thursday 25 April 2019, 7.00pm (Annual Parish Meeting)
Monday 13 May 2019, 7.30pm (Annual General Meeting)
Monday 3 June 2019, 7.30pm
Monday 1 July 2019, 7.30pm
At The Pavilion, Witchcombe Close

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