

Codford Parish Council

Meeting Minutes

5th September, 2016

Call to order

The Chairman called to order the meeting of the Parish Council at 7.30 pm on July 11, 2016 in the small village hall, Codford.

1 Apologies

No apologies.

Present: The following persons were present: Cllr. C Beagley, Cllr. T Thornton, Cllr. A Rennie, Cllr. D Bartlett, Cllr. H Merchant, Cllr. B Smith, Cllr S Mitchell, Cllr C Brayne, Cllr E Longlands,

In attendance: Ms K Grant, Clerk

2 Open Forum

In attendance:

Mr. David Shaw

Mr. Robert Cole

Mr. John Bennett

Mr Shaw presented an outline of a proposal for an intended building on his land with a view to seek Parish Council's advice.

Mr. Cole put forward a letter that was submitted in January 2014 to Wiltshire Council, Ref: Application 13/06384, with the approval of the Parish Council. Mr Cole does not agree with some of the information in the document and would like a retraction on the dates of flooding recorded in the document. Mr Cole said he is taking legal counsel on some of the points in this document.

He also cited the incident of the heavy down pour of rain on Saturday 27th August that caused some flooding. He pointed out that the drainage does not seem be able to cope with a huge volume of water and PC should address this matter with Wiltshire Council and the Environment Agency.

Cllr Beagley informed the meeting that the blocked gullies had been reported, he also logged a request on the MyWiltshire App for all the gullies to be cleaned out.

On a positive note, Mr Cole stated that lowering the kerb by the electricity sub-station paddock gate has been successful, and thanked all who supported him in lobbying for it.

PC will look into the matter of the public document and respond to Mr Cole.

3 Approval of minutes from last meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as correct and signed by The Chairman.

4 Matters Arising.

1) Speed Indicator Devices (SIDS); High Street.

Meeting to be arranged with Local Highways to agree locations and then arrange for a quotation through Ringway, the highway maintenance contractor.

2) Codford Milestone

In progress

3) Petitions for Allotment Gardens

Mr Mick Latham not available for an update.

4) Village Good Deed Award

Samples were presented and a layout was agreed.

5) Independent audit of PC accounts

Cllr Brayne to contact a possible candidate.

5 Financial Report

The PC's account balance stands at 7305.01 for the period 11.07.2016 to 15.08.2016. A full report is attached to these minutes and is available on the village website and Facebook page.

6 Planning Application

- 16/06505/OUT Outline application for the erection of one detached dwelling
- 16/06417/FUL Demolition and re-development to provide two semidetached dwellings and parking
- 16/06979 FUL and 16/07491 LBC Ashton Cottage
- 16/07266 APD Auckland Farm
- Highways Act 1980 – Section 119A; Application for Rail Crossing Diversion Order – Footpath no.8 Codford
- Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 s.53 – Codford Path No.15 Rights of Way Modification Order 2016

7 Items of correspondence

Parish Steward Scheme

PC decided on the priority list for the parish steward:

1. Foot path from Greenlane to Cherry Orchard – general clean up and removal of silt along kerb by garden of 48 Cherry Orchard to reinstate correct drainage northwards into field. Plus, clearing the leaves on Greenlane
2. Cleaning/painting the railings around the village
3. Loose tarmac on kerb in Cherry Orchard, near the school
4. General weeding around the village roads
5. Clearing the grips
6. Clearing the mud on the road on Greenlane opposite Quinton Place/Church Acre
Clearing mud on Chitterne rd. washed down from Longhedge bridle way

Parking bays, Doctor's Surgery

Communication has been received from Mr Latham to indicate that Selwood will not be painting/markings these parking bays.

Thank you

A note from St Mary's Church conveying thanks to the PC for the £700 cheque in support of the upkeep of the church.

Letter from Citizens Advice Wiltshire acknowledging receipt of cheque of £100 from the PC

Invitation to the Licensing of Rev Clifford Stride

Karungi Grant to attend on behalf of the PC.

Drain Gullies

Letter from Mr Smith reporting that the drain gully between Moonrakers and Little Ashton have not been clean for years and the grid is broken. Drain gully adjacent to Little Ashton is blocked which causes rain water to pour on to the property.

AED

Cllr Bartlett reported that The Ambulance service has offered training. This will be arranged for some time in mid October.

8 Area Board/Village Hall Reports

Nothing to report from the Area Board.

9 Matters to report

HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY

8 forms were returned following the survey!

VISIBILITY ON A36 COMING OUT OF STOCKTON

This has been reported through the Highways England complaints system (via the website). Clerk to follow up.

DEMENTIA FRIENDS IN CODFORD

Clerk to contact Jaqui Abbot

IN HOUSE TRAINING

Clerk to circulate email containing update on scheduled training.

BLOCKED DITCH

Mr D Mitchell, The Cottage, has reported that the ditch that's meant to drain water away through to the A36 is clogged up and needs attending to. Highways England to be contacted.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9.48pm

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.30 pm MONDAY 19th September 2016 in the Small Village Hall

MATTERS OUTSTANDING

Tree Planting High Street