

Codford Parish Council - Meeting Minutes – November 25th, 2019

Present

Cllr. C. Beagley, Cllr. C. Brayne, Cllr. D. Williams, Cllr. S. Mitchell, Cllr. T Thornton, Cllr. S. Howe and Cllr. B. Smith.

In attendance: K Grant, Clerk.

0041 Apologies.

Cllr D. Bartlett

Local Government Act 1972 s85(1)

0042 Open Forum.

No attendance.

0043 Interests.

(i) Cllr Williams declared an interest in planning application; (iii) 19/09703/FUL

(ii) Dispensations. None received. *Localism Act 2011*

0044 Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes had been previously circulated, taken as read and were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Amended: Date of next meeting changed to 25th November.

Local Government Act 1972

0045 Matters Arising

(i) PARISH STEWARD

PS worked in Codford on the 19th and 20th November.

He;

- cleared the foot path to Budgens
- cleared the drain opposite Moonraker
- at the request of a resident, adjusted a waste bin that was too high
- cleared along the wall near the brook on Salisbury road
- Cleared drains on Church Lane

Cllr Smith cleared the path up to Ivy Cottages.

Jobs for the PS:

- grips Chitterne road – possibly gulley emptying.
- potholes on Green Lane
- PS has requested bins and car parked on the pavement be moved so he can clear it.
- White railings on Chitterne road.
- Clearing leaves on Green Lane

Cllr Williams reported East Farm staff had cut back road verge trees and shrubs that were obstructing visibility at A36 junction to Stockton.

(ii) REVIEW OF POLICIES

Cllr Howe presented a copy of the approach to risk for review and approval. This has been referred to next meeting after Cllrs have had a chance to read through it.

(iii) TREES ON THE HIGH STREET & WILDFLOWER MEADOWS ON ALL VERGES

Cllr Rennie proposed creating wild meadows on verges and grassed areas. Possible sites to be discussed at the next meeting. Clerk reported that there is indeed a scheme by WC soliciting for sites that communities would like turned into wildflower meadows.

(iii) EXCESSIVE SPEEDING IN CODFORD

Clerk to follow up with Community Speed Watch. On-going.

(v) REVIEW THE VILLAGE EMERGENCY PLAN

Cllr Bartlett (not present) to provide plan on file for PC to review and update.

PARKING ON THE HIGH STREET

Cllr Beagley noted that parking on the High Street has got out of hand. PC agreed to publish a notice in the

community magazine advising drivers not to park close to or opposite junctions. Another suggestion is to put up a sign by Village Hall car park entrance for 'VILLAGE PARKING FOR LOCAL AMENITIES'. Clerk to follow up with VHMC.

(vi) 26 TONNE WEIGHT LIMIT

On going.

0046 Finance

(i) The balance of the accounts:

Balance of Parish bank account at 25/11/2019 is £ £ 13,097.56

Income:

Australian Badge Committee - £131

Donation from Café Morning (July) - £300

Donation from Landmarc - £1000

(ii) Payments approved by PC

Staff costs (November) - £430.50

PAYE (£1,066) - Clerk to follow up with HMRC why this payment was accrued.

Clerk's Training Seminar in 2020 -£80

Clerk to begin budget forecast in preparation for the setting the precept in January.

0047 Planning Applications

(i) 19/10409/TPO: T1 - Sycamore tree – Fell.

Cllr Thornton got feedback from the tree surgeon regarding this tree. Clerk to confirm the tree officer is on board with the findings of the tree surgeon. And record 'no objection' from PC on this application.

(ii) 19/09466/TPO: Remove Overhanging Stem of Hawthorn and Reduce Canopy Back to Boundary (T1)

No objection

(iii) 19/09703/FUL: Erection of a Efficiency Enhancement Digester Tank, Combined Heat & Power Unit (CHP), Gas-to-Transport Station and Rainwater Reservoir

No objection

0048 Items of correspondence.

GRANT

A letter from Victim Support seeking a donation. PC agreed to give £50

0049 Area Board/Village Hall Reports

AREA BOARD

Next meeting will be

VILLAGE HALL

Thursday group has been approached and have volunteered to do a monthly inspection. Clerk to provide the relevant forms. PC agreed to put a sign in the play park with a contact to report and concerns.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Cllr Beagley shared communication from the Chair of the VHMC suggesting that the various community groups are approached to encourage their attendance to the annual Village meetings/VHC AM.

0050 Matters to report.

VISIBILITY

Cllr Mitchell reported that the foot path through the Grove crossing to Sherrington needs clearing. Clerk to follow up on whose responsibility it is.

DOG FOULING

Cllr Williams reported that foot path no. 15 is being abused by dog owners not picking up after their pets. PC to investigate putting up signs

LORRY TRAFFIC STATION ROAD

On going.

CLEARING THE CHITTERNE BROOK

Cllr Beagley reported that the brook is running sufficiently. Cllr Thornton reported that clearing the water course would require consent from the local authority, which is unlikely as it is not currently overgrown. He will keep an eye on the previously reported overhanging tree in case it begins to be an obstruction.

CORNER HOUSE

Cllr Mitchell to follow up on yellow lines application from the residents of the Corner House. Cllr Mitchell also managed to contact the Woolstore who have co0perated by putting up notices about parking.

PLAY PARK

Cllr Beagley has contacted the contractor to request he revisits painting of the goal posts as these have already deteriorated.

0051 Agenda items for the next meeting

DATES FOR PC MEETINGS IN 2020

REVIEW THE VILLAGE EMERGENCY PLAN

ROAD VERGE WILDFLOWER MEADOWS

Adjournment the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8.45 pm

The next PC meeting is scheduled for 9th January 2020.