

CHARLETON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Charleton Village Hall, West Charleton
Thursday 10th November 2016 at 6.30pm**

OPEN FORUM – One member of the public attended.

PRESENT: B. Rogers, R. Sanders, C. Cross, Jacqui Bignell, Sarah Page

In attendance: Cllr. J. Brazil, S. Winstanley (clerk in attendance)

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. R. Foss –

- SHDC are looking at the sites which are going towards the 5 year land supply. There are no sites in Charleton.
- The suggestion was made that the community be consulted as to whether they might consider having a proactive approach to housing development which they could lodge with SHDC.
- Local Authority Controlled Company is still being progressed.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. J. Brazil –

- There is a debate about the CCG's regulation of the NHS. In short, they are looking to get rid of the community beds in Devon and hope to treat people in their homes with outreach workers.
- Dartmouth Community Hospital is to close and the minor injuries unit will be at Totnes.
- South Hams Hospital is set to continue.
- Patients at Chillington Health Centre are sent to Torbay and will then use Totnes Hospital for any further treatment.

POLICE REPORT – PC J. Gerrard by email

- There have been no reported crimes since the last report.
- We have, in consultation with the school, been patrolling at school drop off and pick up points. We are pleased to report that parking on the zig zags has significantly dropped with only one ticket being issued. We will continue to monitor this for the safety of our children.
- We are still looking for new recruits for the speed watch! Anyone out there wanting to become involved? Lots of vocal people expressing their views about speeding through the village – any names coming forward?

1. APOLOGIES - J. Gordon

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING held on 6th October 2016

It was proposed seconded and **resolved** that the Chair should sign the Minutes as a true and correct record.

3. To co-opt Jacqui Bignell and Sarah Page to the Parish Council

It was **resolved** to co-opt J. Bignell and S. Page to the Parish Council and the Acceptances of Office were signed.

4, DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST-

Members are invited to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting. None

5. CLERK'S REPORT

- A quotation for the use of a gulley sucker has been received. The gulleys on the A379 should be cleaned next week by DCC but will only clean them once a year.

- There is flooding in Church Lane and the buddle hole needs cleaning out. A quotation to be obtained to have the buddle hole cleared.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. To approve payment of the following cheques:
 - 116 - £169.20 – S. Winstanley (reimburse for dog bin)
 - 117 - £217.37 – S. Winstanley (November)
 - 118 - £150.00 - Grant Thornton for external audit
 - 119 - £250.00 – Greenspace (ground maintenance)
2. Cash at bank – £14,068.83 (including ££3,875 second precept payment)
3. To discuss the Precept for the yr. ending 31.3.2018 - Budget proposal circulated
It was **resolved** to increase the Precept by £250 to £8,000 (being a cost to each elector of 45.5p per annum) to take account of the Parish Council's decision to purchase a portable reactive speed sign and to build up reserves to create a path from West to East Charleton.

7. CHAIR'S REPORT

- Living Waters has broken roof tiles. Repairs will be organized.
- Thanks to Chris Cross for installing the replacement dog bin and for work to provide a board to which the defibrillator can be fitted in the phone box.
- R. Brown has now completed the painting of the box.
- R. Jefferies has now mended the electrics so that the defibrillator can be installed.
- Discussion took place on the boxes to purchase to take the defibrillators.
- Training for the use of the defibrillators will be advertised on onecharleton when it has been organized.
- Flooding on Copse Corner was reported and DC responded quickly to clear the gully of leaves.

8. TO DISCUSS FUTURE PROJECTS FOR THE PARISH

Creating a footpath on the north side of the A379 between the two villages was discussed and it was agreed that the PC will discuss this with the landowner's agent.

9. REPORT ON FOR WEED CONTROL/FLOWER BEDS –

The flowerbeds have been tidied and the weeds sprayed.

10. TO DISCUSS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE/DRAINS/ROAD WARDEN SCHEME

As above and it was agreed the Clerk will contact Highways re. the road warden scheme.

11. TO DISCUSS A PROPOSAL FROM KINGSBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL TO SHARE A VAS

Following discussion it was agreed that it was not practical to share a portable reactive speed sign.

12. PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS: None

13. UPDATE ON THE PROVISION OF A NIGHT LANDING SITE FOR Devon Air Ambulance

The Chair has been in contact with Toby Russell and the provision of a site is ongoing.

14. CORRESPONDENCE: Email from Charleton School Governors concerning the decision to make the School an academy. It was agreed the PC did not have sufficient Parish views to make a comment.

15. COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS –

Village Hall – No report
Footpaths – C. Cross – Footpaths are all in good condition.
Events - B. Rogers – No report

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Church - S. Page agreed to stand in for J. Gordon. T. Westlake kindly provided a report. The School Harvest Festival took place in the church and there will be a Remembrance Service on the 13th. The John Conner concert took place in October. The church is now drier following refurbishment but a volunteer is needed to birdproof the louvres in Bell chamber.

Events Committee – Nothing to report. If a Village Fete is to go ahead in 2017 planning will need to start now.

- 16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING in Charleton Village Hall –** 1st December 2016 at 6.30pm
(if necessary) otherwise
5th January 2017 at 6.30pm

Signed
Chair

ACTION POINTS

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| Clerk | Send Stuart Hext contact details to Chair |
| | Check with Greenspace about the weed control in Lyte Lane. |
| | Reply to Kingsbridge Town Council |
| | Contact Highways re. Road Warden scheme |
| | Obtain a quote for cleaning out a buddle hole in Church Lane |
| Chair | To discuss the possibility of constructing a footpath between villages |