

CHARLETON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018 at 6.30pm

**OPEN FORUM** – Two members of the public attended.

**PRESENT:** B. Rogers, C. Cross, S. Page, R. Sanders

In attendance: S. Winstanley, Cllr. Foss

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

- Members will soon receive their Council Tax bill with the predicted increase. Discussion is still taking place as to the future of public lavatories.
- Car parking charges are to rise.
- The loss of the road on Slapton Line is of concern but the news that the Government is to provide £2.5 million funding for its reinstatement means that hopefully the road will open this summer.
- If the Government permitted the District Council to increase the tax on second homes to 200%, it would raise a considerable sum.
- SHDC is looking at forming a company in order to build Council homes.

**COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. J. Brazil – no report**

**POLICE REPORT** – PC Jane Gerrard by email

- There have been no crimes in the Parish since November. Thanks to all who helped out in the adverse weather conditions.

**1. APOLOGIES** – Cllr. Brazil, J. Bignell

**2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS** held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018

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

**3. 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

**4. CLERK'S REPORT** – No report

**5. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1. To approve payment of the following cheques:

173 - £1000.00 – Kingsbridge Natural History Society (grant)

174 - £227.13 – S. Winstanley

175 - £71.80 - HMRC

*Resolved*

2. To agree quote for VAS – it was agreed that the quote from Wescotec be accepted and a application made for a Locality Budget Grant.

3. Current finances - £15,123.49

**6. CHAIR'S REPORT – B. Rogers –**

- Due to the weather many people were housebound. It was agreed the PC should construct an emergency plan.
- 30 bags of salt were spread. More salt needs to be ordered.
- Copse Corner was cleared in early February
- Hedgecutting is officially over.

**7. PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS –**

**To be considered – 0323/17/HHO –33, Saunders Way, Charleton TQ7 2BS**  
Application for 2 storey side extension to dwelling  
Following discussion it was **resolved** to recommend support.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE –** Complaint re. the hedge opposite Lyndford which is obstructing traffic visibility. Chair will chase up.

**9. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

- Village Hall – B. Rogers – No report
- Church - S. Page – The church has removed the gnomes from the churchyard. A meeting was held to discuss Building regulations and the WC is going ahead. The pews have been removed. Pews which can be moved will be provided. Thanks to R. Sanders for help in moving the pews.
- Footpaths – C. Cross – Muddy but OK. There is a serious problem of dogfouling on the permissive footpath.
- Events - B. Rogers – No report.
- Defibrillator checks – Both checked and the form sent off.  
The young hedge opposite the Old Post Office needs trimming – will ask Greenspace.

**10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Charleton Village Hall at 6.30pm on 5th April 2018 Annual Parish Meeting**  
**The date of the Annual Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018.**

Signed .....Chair

**ACTION POINTS**

- Clerk**
  - To contact Greenspace about trimming hedge
  - To order VAS
  - To apply for Locality Budget Grant
  - To add emergency plan to agenda – circulate Members with format
  - Order new dog fouling signs
- Chair**
  - To chase up the problem of the overgrown hedge opposite Lyndford.