

## CHARLETON PARISH COUNCIL ONLINE MEETING

### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020 at 6.30pm

#### **REPORT BY THE ARCHDEACON OF TOTNES – The future of Charleton Church**

The ecclesiastical parish of Charleton includes Buckland Tout Saints – ie a parish with two churches. The responsibility for maintaining a parish church resides with the parochial church council which is made up of a Committee – members of the church who are on electoral role of the parish church. The Parochial Church Council of Charleton have borne the burden for a long time and they can now no longer carry on. The proposal is to close Charleton Church, having separated the two parishes and keep open Buckland Tout Saints without that church being burdened with responsibility for Charleton. Following which Charleton Church would be closed though it will still be possible to be buried in the church yard.

#### **OPEN FORUM – Five members of the public attended.**

A comment was made that this proposal has been sprung on the community but it was pointed out that there was an invitation for the parishioners to take part in a discussion about the future of the church in Charleton 18 months ago and the Archdeacon's documents setting out the position was sent out on OneCharleton.

#### **PRESENT: B. Rogers, R. Ashby, S. Dyos, A. Lucas, O Morgan, S. Page**

In attendance: Cllr. Foss, Cllr. Brazil, S. Winstanley (Clerk)

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

- Virtual meetings will continue for some time but there is a saving in emissions and travel costs.
- Thanks to all Parish Councils for their fantastic efforts to help in the Covid crisis.

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

- Very little to report. DCC now has in place the Local Management Plan.
- There are 3 cases of Covid in Loddiswell area all related to foreign travel. Because we have had so few cases we have local track and trace arrangements by which the outbreak is being monitored.

#### **POLICE REPORT – No report**

#### **1. APOLOGIES – None**

#### **2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

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 – The Parish Council website needs to be updated to be disabled accessible – quotes being obtained. The Clerk will be absent for the next meeting due to recovery from an operation.**

#### **5. CHAIR'S REPORT - Been busy with harvest. Thanks to S. Dyos who put a note on the van being parked on the pavement which seems to have solved the problem.**

#### **6. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1. To approve payment of the following cheques:

047 – Cancelled  
 048 – £167.00 - S. Winstanley 1/3 contribution  
 049 - £323.43 – Community First (insurance)  
 050 - £269.10 – S. Winstanley (Aug)  
 051 - £1035.00 – Greenspace  
 052 - £269.30 – S. Winstanley (Sept)  
 053 - £62.80 – HMRC

**All approved**

2. Current balance - £15,033.94

3. Proposal to make BACS payment and agree approval signatories

It was agreed that the Clerk will make the payments having first received email approval.

#### **7. PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS :- Recommendations using delegated powers**

During the Covid-19 emergency the Parish Council made the following recommendations using

delegated powers.

2373/20/FUL- Copperstone Barn, W. Charleton TQ7 2AL

Change of use of two barns to single residential dwelling including extension to existing barn with link to adjacent to unconverted barn – Recommended approval

**8. CORRESPONDENCE** – Letter from Diocese concerning closure of Charleton Church.

**9. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Village Hall –	No report but some things are returning to normal.
Church -	As above
Footpaths A. Lucas	No issues. A new gate has been put in at the top of Charleton.
Village Maintenance -	The flower beds have been tidied.
VAS -	All OK.
Defibrillator checks –	Checked and Ok. Communication has changed but continuing to report.

**10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – To be confirmed.**

.....Chair