

Minutes of a Meeting of Little Chalfont Parish Council
Wednesday 9 March 2011 in the Village Hall
Cokes Lane, Little Chalfont at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr M Dale; Cllr M Dear; Cllr B Drew (Chairman); Cllr L Hunt; Cllr C Ingham; Cllr P Martin; Cllr V Patel; Cllr G Smith.

In Attendance: Mrs J Mason (Clerk)

Members of the Public: Mr J Hinkly

1. **Apologies for absence:** None
2. **Approval of the minutes of meeting held on 9 February 2011:** These were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
3. **Declarations of interest:** None
4. **Approval of Items for Any Other Business:** It was agreed that Cllr Ingham could seek approval of the documents previously circulated that would form the Parish Council's submissions to the Planning Inspector's Examination in Public of the CDC Core strategy.
5. **Suspension of standing orders.** A proposal to suspend standing orders enabling members of the public to speak was agreed. Mr Hinkly reported that a number of the highway lights in Amersham Road were not working; that contractors working in the same road were damaging the verges and thirdly, he requested that the mile stone in the verge be repainted. Thanking Mr. Hinkly for his contribution the Chairman reinstated standing orders.
6. **Chairman's Report:** This had been previously circulated and was noted.
7. **Clerk's Report:** This had been previously circulated and was noted.
8. **Financial matters:** (i) Income and Expenditure Report - received. (ii) List of payments and cheques to be approved and signed: Payments totalling £12,874.85 were approved.
9. **Governance and Accountability** – it was agreed that the updated risk assessment, standing orders and schedule of clause 137 payments be deferred until 22 March.
10. **Ordinary Elections for Parish Councils and Other Elections:** The council were pleased to note that arrangements had been made by Chiltern District Council for all Little Chalfont residents to vote at polling stations in the Village Hall on 5 May. The arrangement would be reviewed in November.
11. **LAF – Chalfonts Area Plan:** The Chairman had previously circulated the template which he had been asked to complete at very short notice. The content was discussed and it was agreed that the Chairman would complete the template and circulate it to councillors for comment before returning it to the LAF coordinator. In doing so he would be mindful of the mixed views within the council regarding suggestions that a new community centre was required.
12. **Reports (as appropriate) from outside bodies:** *LAF* - Cllr Drew reported that the VAS in Elizabeth Avenue would be sited on the corner of Chenies Avenue on the western side. BCC would be installing it within the next few weeks. *Library*- Cllr Hunt reported that planting up of the new landscaping would take place shortly; that there was a large amount of interest from other towns and parishes about how to set up a community library and that a fund raising Countdown evening had been arranged for 26 March in the Village Hall. *NAG* – Cllr Smith reported that as yet no response had been made to the Clerk's recent letter to Sergeant Mutch. *LCCA*- Cllr Martin reported on progress with the revised committee structure and a possible move to charitable status.
13. **HS2:** It was agreed that Cllr Martin would attend the summit organised by BCC on 15 April 2011.
14. **Notifications and Correspondence:**
 - I. Community Impact Bucks Spring 2011 Newsletter

II. M Tett's 28 February letter re Waste Procurement Project preferred bidder

III. Chiltern News March 2011 (available on-line or in the Parish Office).

15. **Any Other Business:** *Approval of submissions for Planning Inspector's Examination in Public of the Core Strategy:* These were approved subject to an amendment regarding the classification of the "Donkey Field." Cllr Drew thanked Cllr Ingham for his continuing work on this project.
16. A resolution was agreed that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting and be instructed to withdraw.
17. Westwood Park – Playbuilder: Minuted in confidential minute 17 of this 9 March 2011 meeting.
18. Land at Snells Lane – update: Minuted in confidential minute 18 of this 9 March 2011 meeting.
19. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 13 April 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall (the Parish Meeting will be the previous week on Wednesday 6 April)

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