

Minutes of a Little Chalfont Parish Council meeting

held in the Village Hall, Cokes Lane, Little Chalfont

Wednesday 10th November 2021 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr M Crowe (Chairman) Cllr V Patel, Cllr C Ingham, Cllr B Gallagher, Cllr D Nussbaum, Cllr J Walford, Cllr C Holmes, Cllr N Henry-Ames, and Cllr D Silverstone (item 8)

Members of the public: Cllr Rachel Matthews (Buckinghamshire Councillor) and Mr R Funk

In attendance: Ms S Matthews (Parish Clerk)

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Cllr M Tett (Buckinghamshire Councillor).
- 2. To accept a resolution that standing orders be suspended** to allow any members of the public to speak (10 mins): Not applicable.
- 3. To receive and approve the minutes of 15th September and 13th October 2021:**
Circulated, approved and signed.
- 4. Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 5. Approval by Chairman of items for any other business: (i) Cokes Lane**
- 6. Chairman's Report:** The report had been previously circulated and was noted.
- 7. Clerk's Report:** The report had been previously circulated and was noted.
- 8. To receive reports, as appropriate, from members of outside bodies and working parties: (i)**
LCCA meeting 04/11/21 – Cllr Holmes reported he had attended a meeting and would receive minutes in due course. It was agreed that the clerk would circulate the LCCA minutes.
(ii) Dementia Friendly – Cllr Patel reported that the dementia friendly café would be taking place at St Georges Hall and will start in January or February 2022.
- 9. Financial matters:**
(i) List of payments 10th November 2021: circulated and agreed
(ii) External audit 2020/21 – confirmation of completion of audit: circulated and noted.
- 10. Budget Preparation and Precept 2022:** Councillors discussed suggestions to be included in the budget for 2022/2023.
- 11. Updated Code of Conduct:**
To receive and discuss revised Code of Conduct dated October 2021 – circulated at the 13th October 2021 Parish Council meeting: It was decided to make a further amendment and defer to a future meeting.
- 12. Nature Park issues:** Footpaths – To discuss proposals from the Nature Park trust – circulated at the 13th October Parish Council meeting: Cllr Crowe proposed that the proposals from the trust be agreed, and Cllr Silverstone seconded. Six councillors voted and agreed with the proposals. Cllr Walford abstained from the vote.
- 13. Queen's platinum jubilee celebrations 2022:**
The Councillors discussed the planting of an oak tree in Westwood Park and for new flags and poles to be purchased for the centre of the village. Cllr Crowe requested that a flag and flagpole were purchased for outside the village hall. The Chairman requested that councillors propose more ideas at a future meeting.
- 14. Economic regeneration plans:** Cllr Gallagher circulated proposals to the councillors in advance of the meeting. Councillors agreed to adopt the proposals in principle.
- 15. Any other business:** Cllr Walford informed the committee that a number of residents had been in contact with the Parish council regarding a speeding issue in Cokes Lane. It was

decided that speed strips would be purchased and put down in the problem area in Cokes Lane and to be monitored.

16. To consider a resolution 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. (The items are confidential because they deal variously with contractual and legal matters.)

17. Westwood Park Lodge Lease update:

(i) To receive an update from Cllr Ingham: An update was given.

(ii) To discuss and agree any further action: Further actions were agreed

18. Application for former golf course and Homestead Farm: To agree policy on the PC's response to the planning application: Councillors agreed on the Parish Council's response.

19. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 15th December 2021 at 7.30pm

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