

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
CHADDESLEY CORBETT PARISH
COUNCIL
on Monday 6 September 2021
at Chaddesley Corbett Village Hall



Attending: Chairman Cllr W Mack, Mrs P Pardoe, G Vernon, M Page,
Mrs S Smith, Mrs C Finnegan, S Williams, Raj Rana, Clerk Mrs Y Scriven.
District Cllr Mrs L Jones

POLICE REPORT

No new incidents in the Parish in the last month. Introduced PC Matt Ling. Speed checks had taken place in various locations but no one had been exceeding the speed limits. Residents encouraged to sign up to West Mercia Police Neighbourhood Matters for neighbourhood watch and local police alerts. Visit www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllrs D Thomas, G Hogan (Holiday)
2. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – None
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Cllr S Williams – Item 7.2 – Resident
Cllr Mrs C Finnegan – item 7.3 – Resident
4. **MINUTES** – Minutes of the meeting held on 2 August 2021 approved and signed by the Chairman.

5 **NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

During the last two months the Planning Committee had considered and commented on applications received; see attached report. After discussion it was agreed to continue with the Planning Committee commenting on planning applications by email, and members of the public should be notified direct by the District Council when applications were made in their area. Any contentious applications would be referred to a full Parish Council meeting.

6. **Councillors' Reports**

6.1 **District Cllr Report** – District Cllr Mrs Lisa Jones reported:

- Grove Bungalows – Court hearing adjourned until 3 September – still awaiting outcome – Cllr M Page asked why this had been repeated delayed.
- Old Post Office, Chaddesley – new planning application required for rear extension to tea room.
- Hewitts, Harvington – Had to vacate premises by 9 October.
- Parking in Morton Road – meeting with residents held; agreed no yellow lines except in turning circle.
- Staffing problems due to Covid isolation and illness.
- Planning application submitted for re-development of former Magistrates Court in Kidderminster into a cultural and creative hub which would create performance and production space.
- New 'Crime Not to Care' Fly Tipping campaign to assist residents to avoid accidentally passing waste to rogue dealers.
- New Library Service at Home introduced. ReadingFriends@worcestershire.gov.uk

- 6.2 **County Cllr Report** – County Cllr Marcus Hart had submitted an update report on actions being taken in relation to highways. (full report available from website)
- 6.3 **Clerk’s Report**
The clerk reported that it had been very busy in August with enquiries for burial and cremation plots, waste bins, grants for wildflowers and play equipment, lengthsman and maintenance issues, broadband and Jubilee. Lengthsman to tackle debris on roads in Tandy’s Lane and Hillpool and had sprayed weeds in verges in Hillpool. New Grit Bin ordered to be located in Hillpool.
7. **CHADDESLEY CORBETT MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION OR DECISION**
- 7.1 **Wildflower Planting** – Cllr Mrs S Smith reported that the grant application for 45% funding had been approved and orders were now being placed. It was agreed that a tree planting ceremony would take place on 4 October at 4:00 pm on the land at the rear of the bus shelter on Briar Hill to commemorate Captain Tom and Eric Carter. Local schools had been invited to prepare a time capsule to plant with the tree. Cllr G Vernon would give the dedication for Eric Carter and Cllr Mrs Sue Smith for Sir Tom. This event would be widely publicised locally.
- 7.2 **Waste Bin Contract** - It was agreed to purchase a new and larger waste bin for Fold Lane and re-site it further away from housing. It was agreed not to provide an additional waste bin in the Orchard. The lengthsman had agreed to undertake this contract on a month’s trial. It was agreed to consider a Litter Picking scheme at the next meeting.
- 7.3 **A450 – Speeding** - It was agreed to defer a decision on a flashing sign until speed checks had taken place.
- 7.4 **Parking in the Village** – Following recent events in the village it was felt that everything possible had been done to provide parking spaces and protect double yellow lines. The Classic Car event was a great success and we will volunteer a councillor to assist with future events.
- 7.5 **Community Speed Watch** - Only 3 volunteers had come forward at the moment and a team of 6 was required. Adverts had been repeated in the October Parish Magazine.
- 7.6 **Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Central Weekend 2022** – There had been a lot of interest from local groups and another meeting would be arranged for October.
- 7.7 **Play Equipment** – A grant had been obtained from Awards for All and other opportunities were now available and would be pursued. It was agreed to approach some community groups for a donation. Cllr S Williams requested that the landlord be informed of our proposals before proceeding.
- 7.8 **Diversion of Footpath 607 Drollis Farm** – No objections subject to agreement of Footpaths Officer.
- 7.9 **Neighbourhood Watch** – It was agreed that the new police website to which everyone could subscribe was sufficient without the need for a formal NW scheme.

7.10 **Neighbourhood Plan Update** – Following a meeting with the Conservation Officer at Worcestershire Wildlife Trust it had been agreed to form a working group to examine the current and future Wildlife Corridors in the parish, based on biological information available from the County Council records.

7.11 **Maintenance Work** – Ongoing drainage work around parish. Weed spraying around parish under review between District and County Councils.

9. FINANCIAL REPORT

8.1 Schedule of payments and receipts for August 2021 was approved.

PAYMENTS

Worcs CALC	Training Fees	£ 70.00
Y Scriven	Salary	£ 880.73
PFK LittleJohn	Audit	£ 300.00 + VAT
Worcs Diocese	Rent	£ 250.00
Westcotec	Batteries for VAS	£ 167.50 + VAT
Don Robbins	Burial Ground	£ 110.00
Meadowfields	Grass Cutting	£ 260.00 + VAT
Meadowfields	Lengthsman	£ 140.00 + VAT
Parish On Line	Subs	35.00 + VAT
British Flora	Wildflower Plants/Seeds	£1,754.92 + VAT
Hyde Hives	Bug Hotel	£ 300.00
Getting Personal	Plot markers (2)	£ 24.15 + VAT
Amazon	Webcam	£ 49.99 + VAT
Just Gloves	Gloves, sanitizers	£ 30.85 + VAT
Zoom	Subs	£ 35.97 + VAT
Data Protection	Subs	£ 35.00
CPRE	Subs	£ 36.00
Frank Matthews	Trees	£ 613.96 + VAT
Sovereign	Playground Maintenance	£ 30.00 + VAT

Receipts

Worcs CALC	Lengthsman	£ 182.00
Burial/Cremation Fees		£1,930.00

8.2 Bank Reconciliation for August 2021 had been sent to the Finance Committee.

8.3 Audit for March 2021 had been concluded and appropriate notices issued and posted on website.

9. Next Meeting Monday 1 November 2021 at 7:15 pm – No meeting in October.