

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON  
MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024  
AT CHADDESLEY CORBETT VILLAGE HALL  
AT 7:00 pm

**Attending:** Chairman Cllr M Page, Cllrs D Thomas, H Grove, J Wright, G Vernon, G Hogan, Mrs D Newbould, P Rowberry and S Walker, Clerk Mrs R Jefferies, County / District Cllr Marcus Hart.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllrs Mrs S Smith and Mrs C Finnegan.
2. **Police Report:** Police have received a report of suspicious circumstances on CAKEBOLE LANE in CHADDESLEY CORBETT.  
At 11am on 24th September 2024 a Blue Ford pick up with three males inside pulled into a farmyard and were seen looking around horse boxes and trailers. Police incident number 00125\_I\_24092024.
  - 2.1 Suspicious Incident – Police Ref 00137\_I\_28092024 – white transit van with roof rack and ladders seen driving onto farmland showing an interest in farm equipment, including tools and trailer. Vehicle reg ending UWU
  - 2.2 Cllr H Grove also reported the theft of a trailer in Blakedown.
3. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME - NONE**
4.
  - A) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – DPI's or ODI's – **NONE**
  - B) DISPENSATIONS – As previously agreed - **NONE**
  - C) REQUESTS FOR NEW DISPENSATIONS – **NONE**
5. The minutes of the meetings held on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
6. **Planning**
  - 6.1.1 **FOR INFORMATION ONLY - 24/0613/CLP - Four Ways , Woodrow Lane, Woodrow, Chaddesley Corbett, Two storey rear extension** – Would like assurance that the proposed extensions is in keeping with existing property and its surroundings.
  - 6.1.2 **24/0196/FUL - Lodge Pools, Bromsgrove Road, Winterfold, Chaddesley Corbett - Alterations to existing fisherman's facility and removal of a caravan** – Comments to be forwarded to the clerk once information has been looked at.
  - 6.2 **Planning Approvals/Rejections from WFDC**
    - 6.2.1 **24/0474/HOU - Little Orchard Cottage, Drayton Road, Shutt Hill - Proposed garage conversion, and minor amendments to previously approved extension – Approved**
    - 6.2.2 **24/0500/HOU - 19 The Green Chaddesley Corbett Worcestershire - Extension to dropped kerb – Approved**
    - 6.2.3 **24/0442/CLP - Bungalow Adjacent To Deloraine Woodrow Lane Dorhall - REFUSAL of Certificate of Lawfulness for an Proposed Use or Development**
    - 6.2.4 **24/0542/LBC - 1 & 2 Park Lane Cottages Harvington Worcestershire - Stonework facade repairs and other additional internal alterations uncovered following**

**commencement of 23/00254/LBC – Approved**

6.2.5 **Appeals A & B Refs: APP/R1845/C/21/3287457 and 58 The Beeches, Curslow Lane, Shenstone, Kidderminster DY10 4DX -**

**Appeal A is allowed, the enforcement notice is quashed, and temporary planning permission is granted for three years, subject to conditions, as set out in the formal decision below. No action is taken in Appeal B.**

**Appeal C Ref: APP/R1845/W/21/3285175 - The appeal is dismissed.** – Cllr H Grove raised some points, which Marcus Hart will investigate.

## 7. **Councillor's Reports**

7.1 **District Councillors Reports** – Cllr Marcus Hart reported that regarding extending the pavement that ends at Lower Chaddesley on the Fox PH side of the road I have made further progress. I held a meeting with the Asst. Director at WCC highways who has the responsibility for capital projects, together with the engineer with the responsibility for the project on 27<sup>th</sup> September for an update. I did send a brief interim email to your clerk following what was said at the September Parish Council meeting.

I have now held a meeting with the West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner on 26<sup>th</sup> September together with a representative from the Safer Neighbourhoods Team and the Safer Roads Partnership to discuss speed enforcement across the Parish, namely the A448, A450 and Briar Hill.

I did a Facebook post on this and shared with the Chaddesley page. In essence, the police are going to undertake enforcement on the A450 and A448 as and when and Briar Hill remains in the programme as a community concern site.

The full District report is available on our website.

7.2 **County Councillors Report** – Cllr Marcus Hart also reported that WFDC handed over the Piano Building on 27<sup>th</sup> August to our contractor Speller Metcalfe (who are doing the Town Hall work too) and they are starting on internal work and work that doesn't require planning permission. The planning application was approved at the September meeting.

The full report is available on our website.

## 7.3 **Councillors' Reports –**

7.3.1 Cllr M Page will be representing the Parish Council on remembrance Sunday. A wreath has been ordered.

7.3.2 Cllr H Grove and S Smith attended and represented the Parish Council at the local Planning Seminar in September.

## 7.4 **Clerk's Report**

7.4.1 LNRS Working group successfully arranged for the local school to visit our Allotment site to learn about sustainable gardening, local biodiversity and the importance of community spaces. Everyone involved had a wonderful time.

7.4.2 I caught up with Ste Ashford, and Dodford is currently in a meeting with Atlas, to discuss an area of interest in connection with the mobile infrastructure. If there's any further interest, Steve will come over to discuss it with us. He will also keep us informed about the outcome of the Dodford meeting, especially if there are any relevant developments. I did inquire about the use of church steeples, as requested. But unfortunately they don't tend to use these anymore as they've found that the 4G and 5G signals in Steeple don't work as effectively due to interference from the fibres in the area.

- 7.4.3 There has been a request for the telephone box on Briar Hill to be potentially taken over and repurposed. As part of the “Adopt a Phone Box” scheme, a vote was held in a local Facebook group to gather ideas. Once feedback is received, this can be brought to the Parish Council for discussion as an agenda item if this is something we wish to pursue.
- 7.4.4 Following my visit to Winterfold last week, where I was invited to the Penryn opening, I had the opportunity to witness a fantastic performance by the students, who did an outstanding job. I would like to extend my thanks to Denise, the headteacher, for the invitation. She also mentioned that the parish council is welcome to use their spaces for community purposes if that would be of interest. It’s a generous offer and could present an excellent opportunity for us to explore further.
- 7.4.5 Kathryn Underhill has reached out to see if the Councillors have any ideas for future events or ways in which she and her team can offer support. Councillors are encouraged to contact the clerk with any suggestions.

## 8. CHADDESLEY CORBETT MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION OR DECISION

- 8.1 **Purchase of the Allotments.– Cllr D Newbould updated us that we are still awaiting confirmation on whether we will receive an extension on the Levelling Up Grant. The legal team from the National Lottery is also checking if we remain eligible for the grant. If Land Registry grants us a possessory title rather than a title absolute, we will need to obtain indemnity insurance.**
- 8.2 **LNRS Update (Local Nature Recovery Strategy)**
- 8.2.1 **A request of £90.00 for a solitary bee hive for Chaddesley Corbett Endowed Primary School. – A councillor, who wishes to remain anonymous, would like to make a donation for this purchase.**
- 8.2.2 **A request of £24.00 for approval to cover the Cost for a DBS check for Cllr Mrs S Smith. – Approved.**
- 8.2.3 **A request for £100.00 to cover the cost of 100 personalised calendars to display the children’s nature photos.- A councillor, who wishes to remain anonymous, would like to make a donation for this purchase.**
- 8.3 **Footpaths - Community Pay Back scheme – There were no objections to explore this scheme and to cover the cost of a Port-a-loo if required. An advert to seek local Parish Path Wardens is to be advertised in the Parish Mag. More information is also available on our website.**
- 8.4 **An update from The Affordable Housing Working Group – Cllr D Thomas provided an update on his recent discussions, explaining that the Church of England is keen to work with developers. Cllr G Vernon suggested that the working group should meet with WFDC Housing Group with a district / local councillor present, to explain the realistic insights and detailed information about what is involved in the process.**
- 8.5 **Churchyard Mowing Shed – Maintenance – Cllr M Page received a request for some additional work on the shed at the burial ground. Cllr P Rowberry will provide a quote for the work before the November meeting.**
- 8.6 **An opportunity for Councillors to request an item of information to be considered for the next agenda. - None**

8.10 **Maintenance Works –**

8.10.1 **Lengthsman currently on annual Leave.**

8.10.2 **Wasps nest on Morton Road to be investigated.**

8.10.3 **Clerk to find out grass cutting responsibility on the Green on Morton Road.**

9. **Financial Report**

9.1 A schedule of payments and receipts were signed for September 2024 – **Approved**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Payment</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sovereign	Play equipment Maintenance	£47.99
Lyca Mobile	Phone Contract	£5.00
Nest	Pension	£58.66
D Robbins	Burial Ground	£135.00
R Jefferies	Expenses	£124.80
Meadowfields	Lengthsman	£921.00
SME	Solicitors	£6181.20
The Flower Room	Wreaths	£56.00
Parish Online	Website	£54.00
Village Hall	Room Hire	£150.00
<b>Receipts</b>		
WCC	Lengthsman Scheme	£187.00
WFDC	Precept	£18,213.82
A Pullens	Inscription	£50.00
J.C	Burial Plot	£460.00

9.2 Bank Reconciliation for the end of September 2024 – **Approved**

10. Date of next meeting, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024, starting at 7PM.