

PARISH COUNCIL

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ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL

26 March, 7.30pm

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- 2 Apologies**
- 3 Minutes of the Last Annual Parish Council**
- 4 Presentations**
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 - Community Wellbeing Service
 - Parochial Church Council
 - Police
 - TBC/GCC
 - Village Charities
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- 4 Matters Arising**
 - Drainage Lawn Bar Road
 - Highways
 - Broadband
 - Integration with neighbouring council
 - SSSI verge
 - LSIDB
 - Flood Warden
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- 6 TBC & County Council Report**
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CHACELEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 29 January 2018

The chairman welcomed Jonathan Hodges to the council and asked him to sign the acceptance of office.

1 Attendance

Tony Stephenson (chair), Jonathan Hodges, Gerald Kinahan, Nicholas Mullane, Barbara Mullane, Phil Awford

2 Apologies

None

3 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held 27 November 2017 were approved and signed.

4 Matters arising

4.1 Chaceley Stock: A date for clearance will be arranged in spring when conditions would be more manageable.

4.2 Lawn Bar Road Drainage: Jason Westmoreland is obtaining quotations from TBC contractors for the clearance of Mr Griffiths' two ditches on the basis that Mr Griffiths will contribute to the cost. Mr Westmoreland is keen to keep control of the works as he wishes to improve the drainage, possibly creating a larger "storage" area in the process. He may also regrade the level of the verges to bring them to road level. When the quotations are provided to Mr Griffiths he has 3 months in which to agree to proceed.

4.3 Highways: Our new Highways Manager is Chris Riley.

Willows on Stock Lane: The arborist has said that the remaining trees pose no risk of falling at present. Chris Riley has said that the verge is owned and he has been asked him by who so that we can get them to take action re the tree that has come down.

Sandpits: a grid has been installed to attempt to overcome the flooding problem – however, this is beside a field gate which is already full of mud from farmer's use. Chris Riley is filling in the potholes further up the road and when the weather improves will look at the best way of resurfacing.

4.4 Property Protection: The EA is expecting its procurement framework and contracts to be in place in June this year and then they will be able to progress the drop in sessions and surveys over the summer.

4.5 Broadband: The design team has not yet completed the installation but should be able to give an update in February.

4.6 Community Governance Review: The chairman and BM will be meeting TBC tomorrow; however, we understand that no progress has been made to date.

4.7 Mowing of SSSI Verge: Alisa Swanson of Natural England has confirmed that mowing of the verge requires consent and that the appropriate management is as agreed and licensed with the council 2-3 times per year. NE is not able to consent to neighbouring residents mowing. Any resident cutting the verge without consent are technically in breach of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

4.8 LSIDB: BM has reported the tree blockage in the Village Drain and the potential problem of bonfires at the Yew Tree Pub.

5 Matters for discussion

None

6 TBC and GCC councillor's report

GCC would be looking for a 2% increase on the basic budget plus 2% allocated to Adult Social Care.

TBC would be conducting a scrutiny of the emergency caused by water supply interruption following complaints regarding TBC and Severn Trent's handling of the situation. Cllr Awford would be touring the village later in the week with Gordon Tanner and Annette Roberts of TBC. He would also be attending a meeting with the EA to discuss how to better distinguish the designations "Flood alert" and "Flood warning". TBC would be looking to raise council tax by £5 on band D.

7 Finance

7.1 Precept of £4.5K requested

7.2 Appointment of internal auditor – BM suggested appointing an auditor recommended by GAPTC - agreed

7.3 Accounts circulated: Payments since last meeting: Andrews & Arnold, website domain name - £49.20

8 Correspondence

8.1 Planning application: Hillend Farm – change from private use of equestrian facilities to commercial use and the construction of passing places on the access road. Parish Council needs to respond. Cllr Mullane addressed a number of queries for clarification to Mr Taylor. During this exchange there were a number of unsolicited interventions from members of the public which degenerated into the raising of a range of unrelated subjects and then into abusive language aimed at the council, the chairman and two members of the council in particular. The chairman called for order but as this was not restored 2 councillors called for the closure of the meeting. BM asked that the council vote on its response to the planning application – 3 members of the council objected, one abstained and one supported. The council would object to the application. The meeting was closed.

The meeting closed at 2010