

CHILTON FOLIAT PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CHILTON FOLIAT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 14 JANUARY 2014

- PRESENT** Nic Coome (Chairman), Gary Crumpler, Jim Hynes, Paul Outridge, Sian Stokoe, Cllr James Sheppard, Graham Francis (Clerk) and 2 members of the public
- 1 Apologies:** There were none
- 2 Minutes of the meeting of 12 November 2013**
The minutes of the meeting held on 12 November having been circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman
- 3 Declarations of Interest:**
item 6 & 7 Planning & Recreation Ground; Paul Outridge.
- 4 Outstanding Matters** from previous minutes:
4 Village Gates – Jim Hynes had the posts and paint and was awaiting improvement in the weather.
4 Councillor vacancies – deferred to next meeting.
4 Youth Club Funds - £800+ is available and will be forthcoming once the appropriate forms have been filed.
4 New Parish Notice Board – Nic Coome has purchased a new board for £40 +VAT
- 5 Correspondence:**
Letter from Community First and Citizen's advice Bureau requesting donations. Parish policy not to subscribe to charities.
- 6 Planning:**
Planning applications approved by Wiltshire Council:
13/4851/TEL Installation of three replacement antennas at Sewage Treatment works at Hungerford Road Chilton Foliat
13/5087/FUL Relocate and replace existing shed and increase fence height at Holly Cottage, Chilton Foliat (*Parish Council objected to this application*)
- 7 Feedback on the Recreation Ground Exhibition and questionnaire:**
Paul Outridge declared an interest but stayed in the room
The Chairman gave a complete update on the plans and the assessment documents. He felt that the Traffic assessment was inadequate and not representative of the actual use. Sian Stokoe expressed concern about the close proximity of the Skate Park next to the school but received assurance that this could be moved. Jim Hynes was particularly concerned about increased traffic movements at the bottom of Stag Hill particularly since there was no pavement. It was agreed that the Council should ask Wiltshire Highways for an assessment of this area now before further planning takes place. Gary Crumpler raised the idea of using the Youth Club money to improve the skateboard Park. Nic Coome proposed, Gary Crumpler seconded that Standing Orders be suspended to allow Mike Fowler to address the meeting. This was agreed.

Standing Orders suspended

Mike Fowler explained that the intention was to transfer the land on both site A and Site B which is not occupied by housing to the Parish Council. He said that Sir Seton's intention is to act as developer of the land and to do this in partnership with a builder. He assured the Council that Sir Seton had no objection for a sum of money to be given to the Council for Maintenance of the two sites. He also stated that it was Sir Seton was looking at ways to ensure that recreation activities could not be stopped by householders of the new properties in the future. This could be by inserting suitable restrictive covenants into the deeds of the properties

In answer to a question Mike Fowler was under the impression that once Planning had been granted and a Section 106 Agreement was in place that building could commence in the autumn of 2014.

Standing Orders reinstated

After further debate Nic Coome proposed that, subject to a list of criteria, the Parish Council approve with certain conditions the two applications. He agreed to send a paper outlining these conditions to all Councillors for their approval before sending it to the Planning Officer at County Hall. This was seconded by Gary Crumpler and agreed nem con.

Cllr James Sheppard said that, following a request from the Chairman, he had advised the Planning Officer that the Parish Council would like the application to be heard by the Planning Committee although he advised that if planning was to be approved anyway there would be no need to follow this route.

8 List problems:

Only the Chilton Foliat sign on Leverton road was still outstanding.

9 Grass cutting contract 2014:

The Clerk had received two tenders for the grasscutting contract, one for £170 per month and one for £1560.00 + VAT. Nic Coome proposed that the first tender be accepted provided that the £170 covered every visit in that month. Clerk to clarify with contractor.

10 Budget & Precept:

The Wiltshire Precept calculator had been circulated and a Precept of £6,600 showed a Band D rate of £35.06 representing an increase of 16.5%. The Clerk felt that an increase was needed to allow sufficient reserves for contingences and bearing in mind that there had been no increases in four years this Precept would only represent a 4% rise overall.

The Chairman proposed that the Precept for 2014/2015 be set at £6,600. This was seconded by Jim Hynes and agreed nem con.

11 Finance:

The Clerk asked Paul Outridge to confirm the Bank reconciliation by considering the Income and Expenditure spreadsheet with the Bank statements. He confirmed that they balanced.

a) Present financial position:	Parish Account	£429.17
	BMM Account	£1994.37
	Charity Account	£2875.39
b) Payments	G Francis ½ year salary	£1022.93
	G Francis home allowance	£72.00
	HMRC PAYE	£229.80
	Clerk's ½ year expenses	£75.84
	Chairman's expenses	£29.36
		<u>£1429.93</u>
c) Receipts	BMM Account interest	£0.36p

The payments at 12(b) were proposed by Paul Outridge seconded by Gary Crumpler and approved nem con.

Nic Coome returned £30 of unused Coal Fund money to be deposited in the Charity Account.

12 **Matters for report:**
Jim Hynes asked why there were no white lines in the village now that the road had been resurfaced. This had been deliberate policy to slow down traffic as an experiment but they could be reinstated if necessary."

13 **Dates of next meetings:**
The next meetings of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 11 March 2014** and Tuesday 13 May (APM & AGM)

Items with initials in **bold type** require action.

There being no further business Chairman closed the meeting at 21.35

Signed.....Chairmandate