

CHERITON FITZPAINE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of this council which took place on 20.02.2024

At the Committee Room, Cheriton Fitzpaine Parish Hall
Clerk: Denise Kingdon. 6 Wordlandcross, Cheriton Fitzpaine, Crediton, Devon. EX17 4JR
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Public Participation: Ann Nixon, Claire Borlase – A discussion was held regarding the allotment access following a report from Ann on an accident. Councillors are to visit the allotments on Sunday to carry out a risk assessment and meet with Bill Butt to discuss a way forward with works on the entrance.

Vanessa Edwards.

Formal Business:

1. Present.

Cllr Sheldrick (Chair), Cllr H Kingdon, Cllr Metcalf, Cllr Cooke, Cllr Dibley, Cllr Frost, Cllr Yeandle, DCllr Colthorpe.

2. Apologies. Cllr Dean, CCllr Squires.

3. Minutes.

It was agreed the Minutes for the January meeting be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. Declarations of Interest. Cllr Sheldrick registered an interest in 9.

5. Councillor Co-Option – Vanessa Edwards was co-opted as a councillor

6. Roads and Footpaths.

6.1 Working Group Report

6.1.1 White Lines Coffin Tree cross, Sunken drain – White Cross – Clerk to report online

7. Playing Fields.

7.1 Working Group Report

7.1.1 Dog walkers are accessing Jacks Acre through a gap at the bottom – Clerk to arrange for gap to be fenced. The clerk has applied for a Public Spaces Protection Order for Jack's Acre.

8. Burial Ground.

8.1 Working Group - None

9. Allotments.

9.1 Working Group Report – Cllr Sheldrick to meet with Bill Butt and discuss a way forward.

10. District Councillor/County Councillor Report

10.1 District Report – Budget meeting tomorrow, DCllr Colthorpe happy to support the administration budget, Scrutiny Committee discussed dedicated HR officer retired quite a while ago, not replaced, it was decided to split the job between 3 other officers and a percentage of the salary split, and a percentage put back into the salary budget. Enforcement was discussed, recruiting has been almost impossible, a permanent officer has been put in place.

10.2 County Councillor Report - February 15th saw the agreement at DCC of the 2024/25 budget. 4.99% increase in council tax the majority of which will be for Adult Social Services and Children's services. There are approx. 900 children in care within Devon – many of whom are cared for by foster carers. When you receive your council tax bill this year you will find in the envelope a leaflet about being a foster carer. Devon County are always looking for more foster carers because children are always better in a family setting. Those who are foster carers often find it very rewarding although it can at times prove very challenging.

I was pleased this year that extra money coming to the county council at the last minute resulted in £1.5 million extra being put into highway drainage. Some extra money was also passed on to the district councils to support them with the homeless.

Now is the time to comment on the Devon and Torbay devolution deal and consultation on the proposal to create a Combined County Authority for the area. The CCA is a legal requirement to assume responsibility for new funds and powers transferred by Government from Whitehall to our combined area. The Devon and Torbay Devolution Deal website www.devontorbaydeal.org.uk provides further information.

11. Finance.

11.1 The Current Account at Lloyds bank statement dated 01.02.2024 was presented showing a credit of £14,596.68

11.2 Accounts to settle

11.2.1 D Kingdon – (Clerks Wages - includes 6 hours overtime, Office Charge £10.00) - £637.44.

11.2.2 CFPH - (Jan Hall Hire) £22.00.

11.2.3 Hedgerow Print – Questionnaire’s Shop - £92.40.

11.2.4 Roy Swain – Litter Picking (11 weeks) - £77.00.

11.2.5 P Paramore – Allotment Rent - £94.50.

11.2.6 T Theraboldi – Allotment Rent - £94.50.

11.2.7 E Paramore – Allotment Rent - £94.50.

It was agreed that 11.2.1 to 11.2.7 are to be paid by BACS/Cheque.

11.3 Defibrillator – Clerk to put in for funding and order 2, proposed by Cllr Kingdon, Seconded by Cllr Cooke, all agreed.

11.4 Carnival Insurance – Insurance in place.

11.5 Internal Audit – 26th April 2024.

12. Planning.

12.1 New Applications - None

12.2 Determined Applications

12.2.1 Ref No 23/01861/FULL

Proposal: Formation of an agricultural track connected to existing access.

Location: Land at NGR 288069 107801 West of Ball Hill Cheriton Fitzpaine Devon

Site Vicinity Grid Ref: 287910/107812

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Noted

12.2.2 Ref No 23/01806/HOUSE

Proposal: Erection of a home studio and annexe following removal of caravans.

Location: Farthings Park Cheriton Fitzpaine Crediton Devon

Site Vicinity Grid Ref: 287653/106891

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Noted

13. Correspondence.

13.1 Neighbourhood Plan

13.2 Devon Mobility Support – It has been agreed to make a donation of £250.00.

13. Chairman's Reports.

Matters of immediate concern or for inclusion in the March agenda.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Date of the next Meeting

19.03.2024.