

MINUTES OF THE CHRISHALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Held on Tuesday, 7th July 2015 at 8.00pm in the
New Village Hall, Crawley End, Chrishall.**

PRESENT: Jane Holloway (chairman), John Kay, Tracy Slade, Ian Pitfield, Stephen Foote, Steven Parish, Tony Kinsey (*left the meeting at 8.20pm*)
Clerk: Belinda Irons

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15.110 Apologies for absence:

RESOLUTION: To discuss, agree and record the apologies of Members

PROPOSAL: That the apologies offered by Tom Jackson and Derek Ailes are accepted

PROPOSED: Jane Holloway. AGREED AND RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY

15.111 Other absences: Members absent without offering apologies: none.

15.112 Declaration of Members Interests: (disclosable pecuniary/pecuniary/non-pecuniary)

Jane Holloway School Governor non-pecuniary

Following a discussion concerning disclosure of interests, Tony Kinsey left the meeting at 8.20pm

15.113 Minutes of Previous Meeting: Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting 16th June 2015.

Minutes of the meeting were agreed as true and correct record of the meeting and were duly signed

Meeting suspended for

Adjournment for Public Discussion: limited to 15 minutes

The owner of Hillside Farm, Mill Causeway, Mr Smart, outlined his position regarding the letter he distributed across the parish describing the options he considers viable for the site. These include:

To go to appeal on the latest refused planning application for 5 dwellings.

To put in a new application for one dwelling with ancillary buildings to fill up' the site.

To relocate his business to Hillside Farm from Flint Cross.

Mr Smart received 18 responses to his letter, not all of which were copied to the Parish Council.

Mr Smart is keen to obtain support for the one house option from the parish and the Parish Council, and requested that an extraordinary meeting be held on his behalf to seek support.

Mr Smart suggested that the Parish Council could be gifted a small parcel of land in the order of 2m square, which would make the Parish Council an adjacent landowner, and that a covenant restricting development to that agreed would be drawn up for adjacent landowners.

Mr Smart commented that he had spoken at length with Tom Jackson, and the clerk, and had been advised that the site is considered to be unsustainable for housing development when considered against the NPPF by Uttlesford District Council. This consideration would remain whether the application was for one house, or more.

Uttlesford District Council has advised that greater consideration would be given to an application if Mr Smart was able to get agreement from the Parish Council.

Mr Smart pressed the point that he is seeking support for his one house proposal.

The Chairman thanked Mr Smart for his presentation, and commented that it was Mr Smart's prerogative to make his own decisions. *Mr Smart left the meeting at 8.40pm*

Chalk marks on houses: Tracy Slade commented that Herts County Council have deciphered the marks, which include information about households. Not all marks related to houses with dogs.

A suggestion for information about bonfires to be put into the newsletter was received.

Meeting resumed

15.114 Village celebrations:

Parish Councillors discussed possible options to celebrate the achievement of Jigneys Meadow, with suggestions for a mini-fair for small children, and an evening music event for adults.

15.115 Planning:
Planning applications:

UTT/15/1795/HHF UTT/15/1730/LB	Drury Cottage, Bilden End Erection of single storey rear link extension: <i>no objection</i>
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Planning decisions:

UTT/15/0931/FUL Decision awaited	3 Abrams Lane Erection of polytunnel, and formation of swimming pool for use as canine hydrotherapy/physiotherapy business at rear of main dwelling
UTT/15/0527/HHF Decision awaited UTT/15/0528/LB Listed building application	Kemps, 41 High Street Proposed demolition of garage and conservatory side extensions, erection of new single storey side extension to north and two storey side extension to south
UTT/15/1275/FUL Decision awaited	Chrishall Primary School Continuation of use of temporary school classroom for a further 5 years, including retrospective permission for June 2014.
UTT/15/1448/FUL UTT/15/1449/LB Full planning application Listed building application	The Red Cow, 11 High Street Demolition of existing thatched oad frame barn and replacement with a closely matching barn incorporating alterations to contain bed and breakfast accommodation: extension and alteration of Old Post Office to create bed and breakfast accommodation

Ridgewood, Mill Causeway proposals for demolition of existing. New dwelling.
The Parish Council awaits a full application for consideration.

15.116 Finance

Finance Summary:	Balance Brought Forward:	£31,211.39
	Plus Income	£1.00
	less May Payments	£,1,300.20
	(less ring fenced	£2,532.89
	(Solicitors fees £2,000)	
	(Methodist £482.89)	
	(Burial deposit £50)	
	Total available to Council	£27,379.30

Audit: Audit has been advertised as open for public inspection.
Documents have been sent to the external auditor.
Internal auditor's report: all tests found to be satisfactory

Chairman's signature..... date: 1st September 2015

15.117 Chrishall Halls: update

John Kay reported the open day is now planned for September.

The burial ground fence has been installed.

Concern has been expressed by Chrishall Primary School that Chrishall Pre-School may not be moving until the Autumn half-term.

Dominic Reilly has received assurances that Chrishall Pre-School is intending to move as soon as Ofsted has agreed the building is suitable, and is anticipating a September commencement at the new village hall.

Jane Holloway will speak to Chrishall Primary School to assess the possibility of progressing this with Ofsted.

ACTION: JH

15.118 Jigneys Meadow, pavilion & play area: update

Hastoe Housing Association. Environmental update:

The newts are still causing problems! The ecologist is waiting confirmation that Natural England authorises the installation of the newt fence and the count. The ecologist will keep the Parish Council apprised of the situation.

Pavilion: extension of use and building regs: on hold

Play area: new equipment is being installed

Chrishall Cricket Club: the Cricket Club is seeking reinstatement of the practice nets.

15.119 Highways issues:

Broad Green & Chalkey Lane Pumps: maintenance required:

The High Street pump has been cleaned and repainted and is looking very smart. The other pumps appear to be in progress.

Cambs County C: A505: discussion with CCC to improve safety
Reported as a highway issue 11.3.15 NM-88796
The clerk will chase.

Littlebury Green bridge: update:

Steven Parish reported that the bridge is still not completed.

Church Road: drain blocked ECC report no 2375566
ECC report no 2387863

Abrams Lane: pot hole reported: chase

Hollow Road: edge of road overrun reported: chase

Essex County Council Highways schemes: request for highways works for 2015/16

15.120 Superfast Broadband: update

Steven Parish advised the meeting that he has been attempting to obtain a reliable update on the installation with little success. The 'Openreach' web site is the most reliable, but that has not been updated for some weeks. He commented that the Fens have superfast broadband, and it is unbelievable that this area has not been included as a priority.

15.121 War memorial: repairs

John Kay and volunteers will remove the loose render and install the memorial. Tracy Slade commented that the recommended treatment for the railings would be rubbing down and painting with 'Hammerite' for a lasting finish.

15.122 Correspondence:

Mr H Smart	proposals for Hillside Farm
Mrs V Dalling	Chrishall pavilion: support for renovation
ECC	proposed withdrawal by HCC bus 10 Saturday service
Mr & Mrs Drury	Ridgewood proposals
Mrs J Rowe	Internal auditor report
Mr J Barker	Chrishall Cricket Club: 2 x additional Jigneys mowing completed.

15.123 Date of next Parish Council Meeting:

1st September 6th October 3rd November

Meeting closed at 10.00pm