

CHESELBOURNE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on: 02/09/2019 at: 19:00		Location: Cheselbourne Village Hall	
Present:		Cllr Colin Hampton (Chairman) Cllr Richard Ashley Cllr Robin Maslin Cllr James Shaw-Porter Cllr Chrissie Skinner Cllr Marilyn Smith	
In attendance:		Mrs Dawn Hampton (Parish Clerk) 5 members of the public	
<p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited representations and comments from parishioners during an open forum. The following points, not already covered on the agenda, were raised: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Damage has occurred to bollards and reflector posts around the village (Action Chairman/Cllr Shaw-Porter). 2. Drains are clogged with debris in parts of the village and need cleaning out (Action Chairman/Cllr Shaw-Porter) 3. Some signage in the village is covered by overgrown hedges and unauthorised signs are starting to appear (Action Chairman/Cllr Shaw-Porter). 4. The CSW sign near the manor House has slipped down the post and is obscured (Action Mr Pearce). 5. Defibrillator sign missing from the flower box near the Manor House, is the defibrillator working? (Action Chairman). 6. Wooden fingerpost at Church Lane broken (the Chairman has already reported this and the one on Streetway Lane). <p>Cllrs Hampton and Shaw-Porter will walk the village with the Community Highways Officer to check the extent of highways work required.</p>			
032	<u>Apologies</u>	DC Cllr Jill Haynes, Cllr Sue Crabb	
033	<u>Minutes of Meeting held on 1st July 2019</u>	RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and signed as a true record.	
034	<u>Matters Arising</u>	None.	
035	<u>Dorset Councillor's Reports</u>	Cllr Haynes emailed that there was nothing to report.	
036	<u>Parish Councillor's Reports</u>	Cllr Ashley reported that fibre cabling is in place to one side of the village and the other side should be completed by the end of September once written approval is obtained from landowners. Cllr Skinner informed the meeting that work on a village text alert regarding flood warning, is in progress. Cllr Shaw-Porter stated he had discussed with Highways the concerns of residents in Robins Garden. Highways stated the responsibility lay with Magna Housing, with whom he is now attempting to contact for a response. Cllr Smith reported some footpaths have now been cut and the fallen tree removed from the Streetway Lane footpath. Cllr Maslin was sorry to report that he will be standing down from the Council and Speed Watch team, due to other commitments. Mr Jonathon Pearce will be taking over the co-ordination of the Speed Watch team. Cllr Hampton stated Cllr Crabb had received a report of a sewage smell on a section of the stream near West Farm. On checking no smell was detected.	
037	<u>Correspondence Report</u>	Was noted, a copy appears as Appendix A of the Minute Book. The Chairman drew everyone's attention to the Iron Man cycling race being held 22 nd September and the subsequent road closures in the area. He also read, with much regret, a letter of resignation from Cllr Maslin, who is standing down for personal reasons. The Chairman thanked Robin for all his contributions to the council and the community.	

038	<u>Planning Applications</u> None received.
039	<u>Climate Emergency</u> Postponed to the next meeting due to the absence of Cllr Crabb.
040	<u>Grass Verge by Bus Shelter</u> This has become overgrown and Mr Taylor has volunteered to mow it. A longer-term solution will be discussed at the next meeting.
041	<u>Adoption of Village Flood Plan</u> Cllr Skinner presented the new Village Flood Plan to members for approval. The plan, a copy of which appears as Appendix B of the Minute Book, has been produced by Cllrs Crabb and Skinner and approved by the Environment Agency. After adoption it will be managed by Cllr Skinner in her capacity as the village Flood Warden, with the help of volunteers throughout the village and will be available to view on the Parish Council website. This is a live document and will be subject to additions and amendments in the light of experience. RESOLVED that the Village Flood Plan 3.1 be approved and adopted.
042	<u>Stream Restoration and Walk</u> Cllr Skinner stated the walk would take place at 17:30 on 24 th Sept in conjunction with the Environment Agency. Meeting at the Village Hall. The walk will be followed by a talk and refreshments.
043	<u>Size of Sign on Drakes Lane Flower Box</u> It was generally agreed that the school sign on the flower box is far too big and should be removed. Action: Chairman to liaise with the Headteacher.
044	<u>Drone Flying in the Village</u> Cllr Skinner brought members attention to the fact that at least one drone is being flown near properties in the village in contravention of the rules governing the flying of drones. The Chairman pointed out that this is not strictly a Parish Council matter but allowed some discussion. Anyone with concerns about drones being flown too close to their property and invading their privacy should seek advice from the police or speak directly to the operator if they can be identified.
045	<u>Roadside Hedging</u> Some hedges around the area are overgrown and making it hazardous for walkers. Cllr Shaw-Porter stated it was the duty of landowners to cut their hedges. Farmers are starting to cut them from 1 st Sept as they are restricted to certain periods of the year. Action: the Clerk will write a short report for the Village News reminding homeowners of their responsibility to keep any roadside hedges trimmed back and clear of road signs.
046	<u>Condition of Boundary Posts</u> Withdrawn as covered during wide ranging discussion during open session.
047	<u>Grit Bin Drakes Lane</u> Cllr Shaw-Porter reported that the new bin installed earlier this year to replace a previously damaged bin has also suffered damage. He suggested obtaining a quotation for removing both bins, one of which is concreted in position, and installing a new one which would be sunk into the verge and protect by an earth bund. Members agreed with this proposal.
048	<u>Noticeboards</u> The Chairman reminded members that there had been a proposal to replace the dilapidated Parish noticeboard currently outside the school with a new one serving the council, village hall and school. Having investigated options a suitable aluminium board would cost in the region of £800-£900 + VAT. It was agreed in principle that the council would meet a third share of the cost if the other organisations contributed equally. A suggestion to enquire if the noticeboard could be made locally will be followed up.
049	<u>Cheque Schedule</u> The Cheque schedule for September was circulated. A copy appears as Appendix C of the minute Book RESOLVED that the cheque schedule be approved and the cheques signed
050	<u>Date of the next Meeting</u> 4 th November 2019 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 20:40

Signed: -

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Colin Hampton
Chairman

Date: 4th November 2019