

CHILMARK PARISH COUNCIL

RECORD OF POINTS AND DECISIONS ARISING FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2012

PRESENT

Name	Appointment
Mr P Boyles	Chairman
Sir R Packer	Councillor
Mr L Lennard	Councillor
Ms L Taylor	Councillor
Mrs J MacDougall	Clerk
Wilts Cllr B Wayman	

POINTS AND DECISIONS ARISING

Item	Points/Decisions
(a)	(b)
61/12	Apologies: Cllr E Pelham, Cllr E Jack, Cllr N Hayward,
62/12	<u>Minutes of 19 July and 13 September 2012</u> These were proposed by Cllr Sir RP and seconded by Cllr ML and agreed. <i>Declarations of interest:</i> none
63/12	<u>Register of Interests</u> Cllrs P Boyles, M Lennard, L Taylor and E Jack have all registered their interests. Personal and prejudicial interests no longer exist. They have been replaced by disclosable pecuniary interests. Parish Councils are now responsible for granting dispensations. Failure to register a disclosable pecuniary interest and speak or vote on a matter in which they are alleged to have such an interest is now a matter for the police and the Director of Public Prosecutions.
64/12	<u>Matters Arising</u> <i>Grass cutting contract renewal for Fricker's Paddock</i> The Landscape Group work for Wilts Council and tend to combine the work when they are in the area. They do not pick up the grass except in the play area. It would be useful to keep a tally of the number of cuts that are undertaken. Cllrs agreed it was necessary to review the grass cutting proposals, request The Landscape Group re-tender for next year and obtain two more quotes. A minimum of two cuts are required each month during April – Sept and two cuts during the winter. <i>Noticeboard maintenance and renewal</i> Cllr ML suggested that another noticeboard would be useful at the end of the bus shelter for parish council matters. The existing noticeboard is quite crowded. The Chairman agreed and offered to fix the door of the noticeboard at Ridge which requires a hook and eye to secure it. <i>Parish Council Surgery</i> Cllr ML said that he had heard reports that parishioners found it difficult to attend the formal PC meetings. He suggested that holding a “drop in” at the Village Hall would be an informal way of facilitating communication. If it was held on a Saturday morning for a couple of hours before the bus departure, then those waiting might call in for a coffee and chat with the councillors. In principle the Cllrs present: Chmn, Sir RP (Cllr LT had left the meeting) thought it was a good idea. However the frequency of the sessions is tbc.
65/12	<u>Finance</u> 5.1 Opening balance in Treasurer's Account as at 23 Oct 2012: £9,909.27 <i>Cheques received</i> Rental from Mrs Knight for Forbes Field £96 <i>For Jubilee cheques received:</i>

	<p>£18 received from E Diaper for jubilee mugs £40.50 received from P Boyles for jubilee mugs £41 donation from Sir R Packer</p> <p><i>5.2 Cheques paid:</i> Chilmark PCC donation towards a piano: £50 (majority of cllrs agreed by email) The Landscape Group monthly invoice no: GM723910 for grass cutting: £85.60 Patrick Boyles for Carl Jacobs for cutting back footpath: £25</p> <p><i>5.3 Precept/Budget for 2012/14</i> Letter received from NALC advising that the precept cannot be set until further notice. The cllrs present discussed the budget estimate for next year. It was recognized that grass cutting and playground costs may increase. Sir RP recommended that £7,000 may be an appropriate precept for the next FY. All agreed.</p> <p><i>5.4 Finger post grant application</i> The cllrs will undertake a site visit to ascertain if the fingerpost needs replacing. At present a Wilts grant is available which would cover half the cost (£350) and reimburse £200 for installation costs. The PC would be required to pay £350.</p>
66/12	<p><u>Planning Applications</u> Cllr L Taylor circulated photos taken of the entrance to Rock Cottage raising concerns that people have that the entrance is not deep enough and should be at least 1 vehicle length. This could compromise road safety. The Chmn replied that this matter had been raised at the Planning Meeting but they were over ruled.</p>
67/12	<p><u>Wilts Cllr's Report</u> Cabinet is in favour of a scheme to demolish the sports centre in Tisbury and to build a new one beside the swimming pool which is to be upgraded, as well as new business units and an educational centre. Re-confirmation of the R2 funds available is necessary as there seems to be a discrepancy.</p>
68/12	<p><u>Highway Matters</u> <i>Line Markings at Dog Drove/The Street Junction</i> The Chmn reported that white line markings have been applied by the Wilts Council without any cost to the PC. However some residents are not in favour of this. The white line is not enforceable however but is an instrument to affect driver's behaviour. The line is approx. 12 metres long and should discourage vehicles from being parked too close to the corner thereby allowing traffic to manoeuvre more safely. It has in fact had the desired effect and vehicles are parked further back from the corner. Wilts Highways do not erect mirrors but they could place Hops Rd in to a 30mph restriction zone with repeater signs. Any request should be forwarded through CATG. Congestion caused by vehicles parked beside the road near the school causes some residents inconvenience, particularly if they park in front of entrances or on the grass verge. However the School is of great benefit to the community and on balance parishioners are prepared to put up with some inconvenience. <i>Parish Steward</i> The Parish Steward erects white posts to protect grass verges where necessary. <i>Flow of water on to the highway at Portash/Common Gate</i> This was discussed and it was agreed that the Parish Steward could keep it clear as best he can and that no further action should be taken. <i>Rights of Way maintenance</i> Wilts Council Nick Cowan has insufficient staff to keep the rights of way clear. Carl Jacobs has already volunteered to cut back one of the foot paths and has offered to undertake any further work.</p>
69/12	<p><u>Flood Warden/Emergency Volunteers</u> <i>Winterbourne Maintenance</i> The Chmn and Clerk attended the Flood Warden meeting held by Wilts Council/Environment Agency. A volunteer is required and the template needs completing. Info to be passed to Cllr M Lennard. Where there are riparian owners, they have a responsibility to clear the Winterbourne, however under the bridge there is disputed ownership and Mr Pattenden is not the riparian owner</p>

	of the stretch opposite his house. The Chmn will ask Mr Button, Wilts Council, who has cleared it in the past if he would undertake this again.
70/12	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>Letter from Mr P Middleton re: The Winterbourne. Email received about poor visibility along Cow Drove – Chmn and Cllr Lennard will ask the landowner of the pub to trim back the shrubs. Email enquiry received about the details of who owns the land behind Fricker’s Paddock – Hastoe Housing Assoc. We understand residents are in touch with them re: parking. The Playground Cttee letter dtd 24 /10/12 asking for financial support towards the cost of insurance/Rospa Inspection. To be raised next meeting when quorate. (Cllr Sir RP and Cllr LT having departed from the meeting) Metro count request along B3089 from 30mph signs at Chilmark end to the junction opposite the Fonthill Estate offices.</p>
71/12	<p><u>Parish Newsletter</u></p> <p>Date of next meeting tbc. Informal meeting on a Sat morning.</p>
72/12	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p>An invoice for the hiring of the Reading Room will be required for this year. Mrs Emily Wilkins is retiring as Secretary and Mrs Mary Boyles succeeds her. Cllr M Lennard suggested the use of volunteers using time credits to undertake some village maintenance tasks. A meeting will be held at Dinton Parish Hall on 22 Nov at 6pm about housing matters and the allocation policy. The Chmn has confirmation from Wilts Council that they are operating the Section 106 agreement correctly and giving priority to those applicants with a local connection who have applied.</p>
73/12	<p><u>Date of next meeting</u></p> <p>Monday 7 January 2013 at 7pm in the Reading Room.</p> <p>Date: Chmn</p>