

# CHENIES PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 4 March 2009

**Present:** Sir John Quinton *Chairman*  
Ms M Newton *Vice-Chairman*  
Mr P Ashby  
Mr D Betts  
Mrs G Leaper

**In attendance:** Mrs K Le Neve Foster *Clerk*

**Members of the public:** None

### 1 Apologies

### 2 Democratic Quarter Hour

### 3 Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 January 2008

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7 January 2008, having been approved, were signed by the Chairman.

### 4 Matters Arising from Minutes

- New fingerpost outside Church: the Clerk had spoken to Mrs Macleod Matthews and the RoW Officer about the fingerpost by the Church, and had been advised that it can be replaced by a wooden waymark post if all interested parties agree.
- Entrance to Chenies from A404: posts had been put on the verge opposite Claypits Cottages to prevent car parking. Mr Ashby complained that the residents had not been consulted before this was done.
- Mr Ashby will follow up with the manager of Van Hage about the maintenance of the area around the footpath on the northern side of the A404.
- Walkers' bench: Mr Ashby had approached some contractors about this, but they were unable to quote satisfactorily without some form of technical specification.
- New kissing gates: the location of the two new kissing gates has now been agreed with BCC and the Chiltern Society, and the Clerk has spoken to the two landowners who have no objection. The Clerk was asked to request a kissing gate to replace the high stile at the beginning of FP15, opposite the Cricket Club.

### 5 Any Change of Interests

None

## 6 Finance

Balance at 7.01.09			£5,337.08
Receipts:	None		
Outgoings:	Three Valleys Water (tap on Green)	8.43	
	Great House Farm (leaf clearance)	150.00	
	BALC (annual subscription)	40.52	
	BALC (BKV competition entry)	<u>8.00</u>	
		206.95	<u>206.95</u>
Balance at 4.03.09			<u>£5,130.03</u>

## 7 Planning

### New applications since last meeting:

CH/2009/0140/FA	Barley Croft	Resiting of manege <i>The Chairman declared an interest (his property overlooks the site). It was agreed that the Council would make strong objections as the site now proposed was much more prominent and not in keeping in the AONB.</i>
CH/2009/0108/FA	Latimer Park House	Landscaping <i>No fundamental difference from the previous application – CDC will be asked to check that the new entrance gates were suitable.</i>
CH/2009/0145/KA	Place House Copse	Maintenance work
CH/2009/0092/FA	Kingscote	Rear extension
CH/2009/0094/HB	Kingscote	Listed building consent <i>No objections, but it was noted that the occupants of the property to the east had concerns about potential loss of light.</i>

### Consultation:

Telecom mast	<i>The Clerk had written to Vodafone and O2, advising them that the Parish Council would object strongly to any application for a mast at the Cricket Club on both visual and possible health grounds, but that the site at Bullscroft Farm might be acceptable. A report can be found on the village website.</i>
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### Pending/Decided:

CH/2008/1950/FA	Hillside Cottage	Granted
CH/2008/1951/HB	Hillside Cottage	Granted

## 8 Footpaths

## 9 Traffic/Highway Matters

- It was noted that the trees by the pedestrian access at the bottom of Place House Copse were overgrown creating limited visibility for pedestrians.
- Ms Newton and Mr Ashby had prepared a letter giving details on how to report highway defects (potholes, flooding etc) to BCC Highways on Call. This will be delivered to all residents.

- Flooding: it appears that some of the drains are now impossible to open as they have not been cleared for so long.
- Speed limit: it is understood that it is proposed that there should be a 30mph speed limit through Latimer village, and a 40mph limit on the road between Chenies and Chesham..

**10 Reports from:**

*Chiltern Area Committee representative:* Mr Betts reported that his first meeting was the last as this Committee has now been disbanded. It is to be replaced by Local Area Forums.

*Tree Warden:* Mr Ashby was concerned about work to trees reportedly being done at Keeper's Cottage, which was thought to be in the Conservation Area.

**11 Place House Copse**

The planning application for the proposed maintenance work had been submitted and a decision was due to be made by mid-March.

**12 Repairs and Maintenance**

A quotation from Mr Woodbridge for repairs and maintenance to the pump building (£450) and bus shelter (£300) was discussed. It was agreed that this should be accepted, and that the work would be carried out later this spring.

It was agreed to leave the Best Kept Village sign for the time being.

**13 Correspondence**

**14 Any Other Relevant Business**

None

**15 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be the Annual Parish Meeting, to be held at Chenies School on **Wednesday 6 May 2009** at 8.00pm, followed by the Annual Meeting of Chenies Parish Council.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.