

# CHENIES PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13 January 2010

**Present:** Sir John Quinton *Chairman*  
Ms M Newton  
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 4 November 2009

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 November, having been approved, were signed by the Chairman.

### 4 Matters Arising from Minutes

- Bus service through Chenies: All efforts to have the 336 service through the village restored had been unsuccessful. However the Clerk advised that the 71 service to Amersham via Little Chalfont was to be extended to Chenies on a trial basis for three months from 1<sup>st</sup> March. There would be three journeys per day – the Clerk was asked to check the precise route. Meanwhile the PC has requested another bus stop near Claypits Cottages for those who continue to use the 336 bus.
- Walkers' bench: it was agreed that the bench would be dedicated to Jack Barratt. It was agreed that a short ceremony to unveil the plaque would be held on Saturday 10 April 2010. The Cricket Club pavilion will be available for refreshments afterwards.
- It was noted that landowners were permitted to use quad bikes on bridleways on their own land.
- Crown lifting of oak trees on green sward: permission for the work to be done was still awaited from Bucks CC.

### 5 Any Change of Interests

None

## 7 Finance

Balance at 4.11.098			£6,865.43
Receipts:	None		
Outgoings:	Mazars (audit fee)	138.00	
	ISS Waterers (Grasscutting)	<u>754.53</u>	
		892.53	<u>892.53</u>
Balance at 13.1.10			<u>£5,972.90</u>

## 8 Planning

### New applications since last meeting:

CH/2009/1574/KA	42 Chenies	Tree surgery	Granted
CH/2009/1575/KA	44 Chenies	Tree surgery	Granted

CH/2009/1783/FA	Forge End	2-storey ext and dbl garage	
CH/2009/1874/CA	Forge End	Demolition of single garage	

*No objections were raised at the meeting, but after further consideration it was agreed that the PC would advise CDC of concerns about the scale and siting of the proposed extensions.*

### Decided:

CH/2009/1408/FA	Chenies House	Extension of outbuilding	Granted
CH/2009/1435/KA	Latimer Park Farm	Tree surgery	Granted
CH/2009/1448/KA	The Rectory	Tree surgery	Granted
CH/2009/1259/FA	52 Chenies	Single garage	Granted

### Appeals:

Vodafone/O2	Bullscroft Farm	Erection of phone mast	Appeal allowed
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## 9 Footpaths

- The Clerk was asked to speak to the groundsman at the Cricket Club to see if he would be able to fill in a hole on the footpath at the kissing gate from the field into the Club.
- The order changing BW/FP56 (near the River Chess) into a footpath has not been confirmed, so it therefore remains as a bridleway for part of its length.
- It was reported that there had been at least three incidents involving horses behaving aggressively towards pedestrians where FP42 crosses the field above Latimer crossroads (Longchamps). The Clerk was asked to write to the owner to express the Council's concern, and to request that these horses are not in future put in any field in which there is a public footpath.
- The Council agreed to consider taking part in a "Walk your Local Paths" initiative in conjunction with Bucks CC.

## 10 Traffic/Highway Matters

- The Clerk advised that there would be no further 'patching & planing' or resurfacing for the time being, as all resources were being used to deal with potholes. These should be reported to Bucks CC ([www.buckscc.gov.uk](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk)) or direct to [tfb@buckscc.gov.uk](mailto:tfb@buckscc.gov.uk).

## 11 Reports

**Local Area Forum representative:** Mr Betts advised that the next meeting of the LAF will be on 20 January 2010.

## 12 Place House Copse

The current phase of thinning/spacing work has now been completed. Mr Ashby has asked Ridgeway Woodlands to advise on the next stage.

## 13 Correspondence

- The Clerk will write to Cheryl Gillan MP asking her to support the Sustainable Communities Act Amendment Bill.

## 14 Any Other Relevant Business

- Comments had been received about the unsightly mess in the field beside Green Street towards Chorleywood. The Chairman advised that he had visited the site in the past, and had been advised that the people using of the field were in fact the owners.
- The question of pedestrian access to the A404 at the Chorleywood exit from the village was discussed. Improvements discussed were some form of footpath, and the need to have the drains cleared.
- Mrs Leaper told the meeting of a recent incident when she called the Gas Board to investigate a possible leak, and that they took some hours to reach the site, apparently due to faulty satnav equipment. The Clerk was asked to write to EDF Energy to ask them to ensure that this will not happen again when prompt attendance could be vital.

## 15 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Chenies Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 3 March 2010**, at Chenies School.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.