

# CHENIES PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Wednesday 6 May 2009

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

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

**Members of the public:** None

### **1 Apologies**

### **2 Election of Chairman of the Council**

Ms Newton took the Chair. Mr Ashby proposed that Sir John Quinton should continue as Chairman for the coming year, seconded by Mrs Leaper. There were no other nominations and Sir John was duly declared Chairman.

### **2 Declaration of Acceptance of Office by Chairman**

Sir John Quinton signed the Declaration and took the Chair.

### **3 Election of Vice-Chairman of the Council**

Mr Ashby proposed Ms Newton for the position of Vice-Chairman, seconded by Mr Betts. There being no other nominations, Ms Newton was duly declared Vice-Chairman.

### **5 Democratic Quarter Hour**

### **6 Any Change of Interests**

None

### **7 Matters arising by Statute**

None

### **8 Appoint Standing Committees if necessary**

No action necessary

**9 Appoint a Representative to the Local Area Forum**

Mr Betts was duly appointed.

**10 Countess of Warwick Charity**

No action required this year.

**11 Consider payment of any Subscriptions to be paid annually**

The Clerk confirmed that a subscription of £40.52 had been paid to the BALC, and that the subscription to the Chiltern Society would be due in June.

**12 Note Deeds and Trust Instruments in the Custody of the Council**

The Clerk confirmed being in possession of the new lease and the old leases of the Village Green, the Management Scheme and Bye-laws made by Chiltern District Council and the Allianz insurance policy AC05275905.

**13 Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 4 March 2009**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 4 March 2009, having been approved, were signed by the Chairman.

**14 Matters arising from Minutes**

- Works to bus shelter and pump building: the Clerk is to meet Mr Williams from the Bedford Estates on 19 May to discuss the Council's plans for the pump structure prior to the commencement of any works.
- Mr Ashby will inspect the area around the footpath on the northern side of the A404.
- Walkers' bench: it was agreed that the Bucks CC Area Technician would be asked to quote for this job.
- New kissing gates: the Clerk was asked to request a kissing gate to replace the high stile at the beginning of FP15, opposite the Cricket Club.

**15 Finance**

Balance at 4.3.09			£5,130.03
Receipts:			
	Donation (for Place House Copse)	1,000.00	
	First instalment precept	2,500.00	
	BCC (for verge mowing)	240.00	
	CCB (grant for kissing gates)	250.00	
		<u>3,990.00</u>	<u>3,990.00</u>
			9,120.03
Outgoings:			
	Bedford Estates (Village Green rent)	1.00	
	K Le Neve Foster (salary & expenses)	1,250.00	
	Allianz Cornhill (insurance)	761.02	
		<u>2,012.02</u>	<u>2,012.02</u>
Balance at 6.5.09			<u>£7,108.01</u>

## 16 Planning

### New applications since last meeting:

CH/2009/0243/TP	Whitehill Cottage	Tree surgery	Granted
CH/2009/0214/FA	The Lodge	Conversion of outbuildings	No objections

### Pending:

CH/2009/0140/FA	Barley Croft	Resiting of manege	
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*To be considered by the full Planning Committee at CDC on Thursday 14 May. Mr Betts will represent the Parish Council.*

### Decided:

CH/2009/0108/FA	Latimer Park House	Landscaping	Granted
CH/2009/0145/KA	Place House Copse	Maintenance work	Granted
CH/2009/0092/FA	Kingscote	Rear extension	Granted
CH/2009/0094/HB	Kingscote	Listed building consent	Granted

### Enforcement matters:

Keeper's Cottage (tree felling without permission): this is currently being investigated by the Enforcement Officers at CDC.

## 17 Footpaths

## 18 Traffic/Highway Matters

## 19 Place House Copse

Planning permission has been granted for the proposed maintenance work. This work has not yet commenced.

## 20 Chenies Community Fund

The Trustees of the Fund are Mr R Grundy, Mr D Cottingham, Mr P Loring, Sir John Quinton and the Rev D Allsop.

## 21 Chenies Village website

The Council expressed its thanks to Andy Homewood for all his work on this project, which is much appreciated.

## 22 Best Kept Village Competition

Chenies has been entered for this competition. Judging will take place during June. It was understood that a litter clearance day would be organised over the weekend of 30/31 May.

**23 Correspondence**

A letter had been received from the Cricket Club requesting that the planting in front of the village entrance sign be cut back to give better visibility for drivers. The Clerk will discuss this with the Village Society, who had been responsible for the original planting.

**24 Any Other Relevant Business**

- The litter bin at the bottom of Holloway Lane will be removed soon.
- Comments were made about the yellow banner outside the Cricket Club.
- Ms Newton suggested that the Council should consider whether there was adequate provision for disabled access to the Hall for Council meetings.

**25 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of Chenies Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 1 July 2009, at Chenies School.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

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