

Chelsham & Farleigh Parish Council

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council of Chelsham & Farleigh held on Monday 13th June 2022 at 7:00pm at Farleigh Hall

Attendees: Cllr Peter Cairns - Chairman
Cllr Lesley Brown
Cllr Neil Chambers
Cllr Jeremy Pursehouse - Parish & District Councillor
Cllr Becky Rush - County Councillor

Mrs Maureen Gibbins - Parish Clerk & RFO

MINUTES

1. Apologies for absence

Cllrs Jan Moore, Barbara Lincoln and Nancy Marsh

- ### 2. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest by Councillors of personal pecuniary interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interests, and whether the member regards the interest to be prejudicial under the terms of the new Code of Conduct. Anyone with prejudicial interest must, unless an exception applies, or a dispensation has been issued, withdraw from the meeting.
- There was no specific declaration of interest although all the Councillors have an interest in the area due to living in the Parish

- ### 3. A period of ten minutes is available for the public to express a view or ask a question on relevant matters on the following agenda.

There was no member of the public present.

- ### 4. To approve the minutes of the council meetings held on 9th May 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th May were approved and signed by the Chairman of the meeting.

5. Matters arising not raised elsewhere in the agenda

- i) **Annual Parish Assembly** - Thanks were expressed to everyone who contributed to the event and to Cllr Marsh for the catering. Cllr Pursehouse reported that the event had a great attendance and interaction; he expressed congratulations to the organisers.
- ii) **Fullers** - Cllr Cairns confirmed the planning application has been approved
- iii) **Pub solicitor** - The Clerk confirmed a response had been received just prior to the commencement of the meeting. The response will be reviewed and circulated to councillors.
- iv) **Poo Bins** - County Councillor Rush agreed to fund 3 poo bins for the area and will provide the Clerk with the link to apply for the funds.

- v) **Crematorium** - This application was refused at appeal. Thanks were expressed to the residents who worked hard to get this application refused.
- vi) **Defibrillator** - Cllr Cairns reported the defibrillator has been delivered to The Bull where it will be erected in a cabinet on an outside wall. The landlady is arranging connection of power to the unit.

6. **County Councillor Becky Rush** reported she will meet with the local resident regarding footpath signs. Cllr Cairns will join the County Councillor for the meeting. The Clerk will provide the residents email address.

Action: Clerk

District Councillor Jeremy Pursehouse reported TDC are holding a number of briefing sessions on the Levelling Up Act. The issues with the Local Plan remain.

7. i) **Highview** - It was confirmed there was nothing to update
ii) **Resurfacing Ledgers Road** - County Councillor Rush will review the situation as extra funding has been released for highways works.
8. **Commons** - it was agreed at an earlier council meeting that the common would be cut twice a year June and September

* **Chelsham Common** - Following discussion it was agreed the Clerk will liaise with the contractor regarding cutting the common prior to the event being held on 10th July.

Action: Clerk

CC Rush will ascertain whether the grass cuttings can be deposited at the Tatsfield Compost Centre and what the cost would be. Some of the cuttings can be mulched around the base of trees.

Action: CC Rush

CC Rush will report the areas where the long grass is affecting sight lines for drivers.

Action: CC Rush

* **Holt Wood** - nothing to report awaiting 18th July reinforcement and replanting order.

* **Farleigh Common** - There was nothing to report

* **Mill Common** - The Clerk has the notice boards which need to be erected.

9. **Councillor Surgeries:**

Saturday 2nd July 2022 - Cllr Cairns & Cllr Brown

Saturday 1st October 2022 - Cllr Chambers & Cllr Pursehouse

Saturday 7th January 2023

10. **Planning**

10.1 **TA/2022/500**

Demolition of existing garage and erection of detached garage with first floor storage space.

Culverkeys Cottage, Beddlestead Lane, Warlingham CR6 9QN

Comment: The Chelsham and Farleigh Parish Council have no objection to the planning request. It should be noted that the owner has been very responsible and is also future proofing the drainage for the area and his property and should be commended.

10.2 TA/2022/537

Proposed change of use of land for the creation of a 3 Pitch Residential Gypsy/Traveller site, comprising the siting of 1 mobile home, 1 touring caravan, and the erection of 1 dayroom per pitch.

Land at Beech Farm Road, Warlingham CR6 9QJ

Comment: The Chelsham and Farleigh Parish Council strongly objects to the planning application. It is totally unacceptable and misuse of the Green Belt. There are no specific reasons why this should be granted. This planning took place on a bank holiday weekend where action would be minimally and the law was flouted. There are no very special circumstances to overcome greenbelt restrictions. The parish council does not accept the reason set out in the application and supportive documents and are in total agreement with the actions taken by Tandridge District Council.

10.3 TA/2022/533

Erection of a first floor side and part single/part two storey rear extension.

2 Henley Wood, Chelsham Common, Chelsham CR6 9PB

Comment: The Chelsham and Farleigh Parish Council have no objection to this application.

10.4 TA/2022/469

Demolition of existing outbuilding. Erection of a two storey side extension including provision of integrated solar PV panels to rear roof slope, single storey rear extension to existing lean-to with warm flat roof together with parapet wall to side as a fire break. New openings to be added to all elevations. Erection of a detached studio/workshop and provision of an underground rain water harvesting tank.

1 Cherry Tree Cottages, Chelsham Road, Chelsham CR6 9PA

Comment: The Chelsham and Farleigh Parish Council have no objection to this application. Officers should have regard to the % increase of the property.

There are some trees in the area which require cutting down as they could be considered a health and safety issued. The Clerk to obtain a professional opinion.

Action: Clerk

11. Finance

- i) **Internal Audit Report** - The report suggested the parish council may wish to consider cyber insurance. Following discussion it was considered the risk is low. The Clerk will undertake a risk assessment for evidence.
- ii) **Annual Governance Statement** - The Annual Governance Statement was reviewed and unanimously approved by the Councillors and signed by the Chairman of the meeting.
- iii) **Accounting Statements 2021/22** - were approved by the Councillors and signed by the Chairman of the meeting.
- iv) **Certificate of Exemption** was approved and signed by the Chairman
- iv) **Payment of invoices all approved for payment**

Mrs M Gibbins	Clerk Salary	£	346.74
Mrs M Gibbins	Telephone	£	6.55
Whitehill Direct	Mill Common boards	£	357.60
Peter J Consultants	Internal audit fee	£	98.15
Mrs J Moore	APA expenses	£	33.09
Vision ICT	SSL Certificate Renewal	£	60.00
HMRC	PAYE & NI	£	260.00

Future Agendas

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The meeting closed at 20:20