

Chelsham & Farleigh Parish Council

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council of Chelsham & Farleigh held on Monday 5th September 2022 at 7:00pm at Farleigh Hall

Attendees: Cllr Jan Moore - Chairman
Cllr Peter Cairns
Cllr Lesley Brown
Cllr Neil Chambers
Cllr Barbara Lincoln
Cllr Nancy Marsh
Cllr Jeremy Pursehouse - Parish & District Councillor
Cllr Becky Rush - County Councillor

Mrs Maureen Gibbins - Parish Clerk & RFO

MINUTES

1. Apologies for absence

There was none received

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 6 members of the public present.

The applicant and resident attended regarding application TA/2022/870 together with their planning officer to explain their proposal.

Two other residents attended regarding plots a & b on Holt Wood and the issues now are encountering replanting the area with an Article 4 Directive on the site.

The residents were advised to copy Cllr Pursehouse into the correspondence with David Ford - TDC Chief Executive.

A second issue raised by the residents was the increased jet aircraft noise from Biggin Hill and appreciated the airport was there when they purchased their property however the flight path was not this way and there were less flights. Cllr Becky Rush provided a brief update; it was agreed the residents will email the Clerk and Cllr Rush will contact the relevant personnel at the CAA.

The Chairman expressed her thanks to Cllr Cairns for covering her duties during her absence.

- 4 To approve the minutes of the council meetings held on 4th July 2022**
The minutes of the meeting held on 4th July were approved and signed by the Chairman of the meeting.
- 5. Matters arising not raised elsewhere in the agenda**
- i) Pub solicitor** - There is a meeting with representatives of The Bull on 13th September.
 - ii) Poo bins - Daniels Lane.** The Clerk will contact Philippa Gates at SCC regarding the ownership of Daniels Lane. **CLERK**
 - iii) Defibrillator - cabinet installed.** - The Clerk will update The Circuit with the details of the code for the cabinet. A local resident will check and maintain the defibrillators.
- 6. County & District Councillor Reports**
- County Cllr Becky Rush** reported that although Church Road has been resurfaced the quality of the work was substandard so is being reviewed.
Surrey County Council Highways does not consider that Ledgers Road has deteriorated sufficiently for resurfacing so will continue to just have the pot holes filled.
- District Cllr Jeremy Pursehouse** reported that the Local Plan is currently stalled as Government minister is changing the planning rules. There is a Planning Policy meeting on 23rd September and TDC will be requesting an explanation of the situation. Due to there not being a plan in place local sites are not safe from development.
- 7. i) Highview** - there was nothing to report
- ii) Resurfacing Ledgers Road** - Clerk to write to SCC Highways regarding the state of the road and request a visit by the highways officer to enable the to inspect the condition. **CLERK**
- 8. Commons**
- * Chelsham Common**
 - *Chelsham Common Sign with Coat of Arms** - the sign requires cleaning and treatment to the post. **CLERK**
 - * Quote for cutting far corner of Chelsham Common** - the quote in the sum of £850 + VAT was approved 6:1. The Clerk to confirm with the contractor. **CLERK**
 - * Waste Bin** - the Chairman reported there has been a lot of trouble with dealing on the common in addition to the normal rubbish being left. All councillors were in favour of the clerk seeking the cost of a 'double' bin to deal with rubbish and dog waste. **CLERK**
 - * Trees on corner of Chelsham Road** - It was confirmed the resident responsible for the trees is in the process of having the works undertaken.
 - * Holt Wood** - Local residents are grateful to the individuals who have purchased

two plots and will maintain the area. It was suggested that trees may be available from SCC, Woodland Trust or a grant may be possible.

*** Farleigh Common**

*** Farleigh Common Sign with Coat of Arms** - it was reported that the post needs replacing as it is rotten. The sign also requires cleaning. The Clerk will obtain a quote for the post. **CLERK**

*** Mill Common** - It was reported the new signs are in situ.

9. Emergency Plan - The plan to be uploaded to the cloud. Cllr Cairns reported that the local farmers are happy to continue with the gritting and road clearance. Access to the plan will be restricted to the Clerk, Emergency Plan Officer and the Chairman of the Parish Council.

10. Civility and Respect - Code of Conduct. The Council agreed to sign up to the Pledge. Clerk to advise NALC and SLCC. **CLERK**

11. Standing Orders - The update to item 18 relating to procurement was reported.

12. AONB/AGLV - Cllr Chambers reported that candidate areas will emerge in October.

ACV - these are being progressed by the Clerk. **CLERK**

13. Councillor Surgeries:

Saturday 1st October 2022 - Cllr Pursehouse & Cllr Chambers

Saturday 7th January 2023 - Cllr Cairns & Cllr Moore

Defib training - 1st October - it was agreed to provide training at the surgery on 1st October. The Clerk will publicise on social media. **CLERK**

14. Christmas on the Common - The Council agreed to provide £250 funding. A Working Group meeting is to be held.

15. Planning

15.1 TA/2022/731

Erection of a single storey side and rear extensions (Certificate of Lawfulness for a Proposed Use or Development)

Broombank Cottage, Beech Farm Road, Warlingham CR6 9QG

Comment: The Parish Council leaves to TDC Officers

15.2 TA/2022/870

Demolition and removal of an existing bungalow, mobile home and storage containers. Erection of a replacement bungalow with associated landscaping.

Land Rear of 1 Heathfield Cottages, Warlingham CR6 9PB

Comment: The Parish Council notes that this is on green belt however the proposal will not alter the street scene, will tidy up the area and is replacing 1 1/2 to 2 dwellings with one. The Parish Council supports this application and there are no issues with access as the applicant has right of way over the road as do all the residents that live on and around the common.

16. Finance - all agreed to the invoices being settled.

Payment of invoices

Mrs M Gibbins	Clerk Salary	£	346.74
Mrs M Gibbins	Telephone & gift expense	£	51.55
Mr Mark Lervy	Electrical connection for Defib Cabinet	£	250.00

Future Agenda