

CHELSHAM & FARLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council of Chelsham & Farleigh held at Farleigh Hall, on 1 April 2019.

PRESENT Tony Roberts
Jan Moore
Mike Webb
Peter Cairns
David Marden
Lesley Brown
Jeremy Pursehouse(Tandridge District Councillor)
Michelle Richards (Clerk in attendance)

The meeting opened at 8.06pm under the chairmanship of Tony Roberts.

Members of the public - 8pm-8.06pm

Kitty Jakeman came to the meeting to say thank you to David Marden(who has been on the Parish Council for 40 years)Mike W(who has been on the Parish Council for 30 years) and Tony Roberts(who has been on the council for 10 years) for all the time they have put into the Parish council over the years.All the councillors thanked Kitty for taking the time to come to the meeting and noted it was very nice to hear and very much appreciated.

Karen Morris asked if there was and update on the Greenlawns application. Jeremy advised that he has heard there is an appeal taking place but there is no other information right now. It was noted that Croydon Council need to prove they have done more to fight their appeal. Tony advised that we will keep an eye on any developments made and provide an update as soon as there is one.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Alex Butler,Becky Rush

2.Declaration of Interest by Councillors

In view of the proximity of Councillors homes in relation to the area and layout of the hamlets which make up Chelsham & Farleigh all Councillors declared a personal interest in the agenda items.

3. Minutes of meeting dated 4 March had been previously circulated and were duly approved.

4.Matters Arising from Minutes

Clerk advised that there has been no information from Alex B to advised what land is owned by the Parish Council. Clerk to chase Alex for an update. **ACTION: Clerk**

David noted that the post for Farleigh sign 589 is less than 6ft tall, so smaller than the posts we have around the Chelsham and Farleigh area. It was noted that as its taken so long for SCC to provide, we will just use this post.

5. Planning

Highview - It was noted an appeal for planning application TA/2015/1913 has been issued, which means any enforcement that was due to take place can no longer be enforced. It was also noted that the other 2 planning applications for Highview have also been refused, so there is a high chance there will be appeals for those too.

6. Common Land - It was noted that SCC had cut the road verge of Mill Common and had cut back much further than the one metre that is their normal practice, although this was not a problem.

7. Chelsham Common - Jan run through the pond quotation that was received by Ian from Tatsfield Aquatics. Everyone agreed the quotation for £2935.00 + VAT is a good price for the works that will be carried out. Councillors agreed that we should factor this into the 19/20 budget so the works can be carried out this year. It was also noted that it maybe the Clerk could see if she can apply for a grant to help fund these works. Clerk to look into this. **ACTION: Clerk**

It was highlighted that the seats around Chelsham pond are starting to become rusty and it was suggested that we replace them. It was agreed, by all, that we put an advert on FB to see if anyone would be interested in donating/working with the Parish Council in order to replace the seating. **ACTION: Clerk.**

It was noted that the rubbish is becoming increasing unbearable around the Common. It was suggested that maybe TDC can supply a bin/s that can allow them to get to via vehicle and empty regularly. **ACTION: Clerk to speak TDC.**

Clerk advised that she has received one quotation(out of 4) for the Bus stop be to painted. It was agreed, by all, that the cost of this quotation of £235 was too expensive and that we advertise that on facebook to see if any local residents would be willing to help. It was also suggest that we see if we can look into contacting a Community Probation Officer for volunteers. **ACTION: Clerk**

Tony noted that he received a quotation from Mike Kan re the verge on Great Park, it was noted the price was to high. Tony will go back to Mike Kan and note that he and Peter will cut back the verge overhanging the pavement. Tony and Peter will carry out these works next week. **ACTION: Tony and Peter.**

It was noted that a tree on Chelsham Common has come down and although it's not in anyones way, something may need to be done about it. It was agreed, by all, that we will wait until Nick Dance has done his walk around and report on what works need to be carried out.

8. Highways

Peter noted that there are a couple of big potholes down Ledgers Road, just before Holt barn and its been there for 2 months. The whole road seems to be in pretty bad shape now. Clerk to look back on previous notes and check when this was reported to SCC. **ACTION: Clerk**

It was highlighted that Ledgers Road(top) was closed for some time to clear garden waste that was dumped in the middle of the road. It was agreed that we need to set up the meeting with TDC Community Officer(Steve Dellaway), Richard Coles, Parish Councillors and the residents. Tony noted that himself and the Clerk have been trying to reach Richard Coles and the Community Officer throughout March and Richard Coles replied to Tony today! Jeremy noted that he will contact someone within TDC and try and get this meeting set up as soon as possible, dates that have been agreed to put forward are 15th and 29th April. Suggested people to attend this meeting are the Parish Councillors, Jeremy Pursehouse, Simon Morrow, Cindy Steer and residents, Bob Anderson, Chris Argles and Elsbeth. Once Jeremy has received a reply then Clerk can contact the residents and find a room to hold the meeting in. **ACTION: Clerk.**

It was noted that the Farleigh Sign is still to be replaced. Clerk to contact Becky for an update. **ACTION: Clerk**

9. Health & Safety/Risk Assessments - nothing to report

10. Local Plan - Nothing to report

11. GDPR update - Clerk advised that she is currently waiting for Becky Rush to provide her with the contact that Woldingham Parish used. Clerk to email Becky again. **ACTION: Clerk**

12. Facebook/social media page - Clerk advised that the facebook page is up and running and she has uploaded the Elections/ APA and link to the Parish Councils website. Clerk advised that she has not received any messages from the public as yet, however she will upload what was discussed this evening. **ACTION: Clerk**

13. Elections - Clerk advised that she has added this onto Facebook and onto the Parish Councils website.

14. APA - Clerk noted that we need to set the agenda for the meeting. It was agreed to invite Jeremy Pursehouse, Becky Rush, Keith Chaundy, Terry Pearson, Rev Michelle/ Rev James and Marc Hayton to speak. **ACTION: Clerk**

15. Finance - all payments agreed.

Mrs. M. Richards	March Salary	£925.00
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Additional payments for March ratified are: Councillor books for Clerk, Jan and Lesley, Hall hire to Mr Ron White, Court courts for MH-P Ltd and Quite Woodlands for the tree survey. All these payments had been agreed previously and budgeted for, the invoices came through after the March meeting.

19/20 budget - Clerk advised that she will factor in the pond costs into the proposed budget and leave the Tree works as it is. Clerk will send to Tony and Jan to review and then send out for everyone to review. However, it was agreed that the final budge for 2019/20 will be agreed with the new council. **ACTION: Clerk and new council.**

16. Correspondence - nothing to report

17. Urgent Matters for Noting for Future Agenda

Jeremy noted the May Day celebrations will be taking place on Saturday 4th May and will include the May Queen crowning, a funfair and a free concert featuring local groups and vocal acts. The parade will start at 1.45pm and the crowing will take place at 2pm on the Green. The funfair and concert will start from 1pm - 8pm on School Common. Everyone welcome.

Meeting ended 10.06pm

Signed..... Dated.....