

**Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Chagford Parish Council
held at Endecott House on Monday, 23rd, May 2011 commencing at 7.30pm.**

Present: Cllrs Bleakman; d'Arch Smith (until Min 31); Mrs Haxton; Mrs Hill (Chairman); Lloyd Hill; Parrott; Sampson; Shears; Ms Stead; Ms Thorn; Williams.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Coombe.

In Attendance the Clerk, Mrs Stone

26 DECLARATION OF INTEREST – None were declared

27 URGENT BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

a) **Bank Mandate** - Councillors were requested to complete and sign the Bank Mandate.

b) **New Councillor Training**

The following courses were reserved for Councillors:-

23rd June 2011 – Bridestowe – Cllrs Ms Stead; Shears and Ms Thorn

30th June 2011 – Tiverton – Cllrs d'Arch Smith; Lloyd Hill and Williams

Resolved: The Clerk to inform the DALC accordingly.

COMMITTEE/REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

Planning Matters – Development Control

28 DNPA Open Day to Review Local Development Framework

A meeting will be held at the DNPA on 3rd June re Local Development Framework, a summary of which will be forwarded to Cllr Bleakman for report to the Council. **Noted:** Information has also been received that the DNPA will be holding an open day exhibition in Endecott House on 13th July 2011 from 3pm to 7pm covering the site specific section of the Local Development Framework. This is an excellent opportunity to review possible effects on the Chagford Design Guide. Cllrs are advised to attend. Cllr Bleakman circulated an overview of the consultation version of the DNPA Design Guide which highlighted that there were discrepancies relating to some specific details. To clarify the situation, Cllr Bleakman also produced a draft list of comments on the matter for discussion at a proposed meeting with the Director of Planning, Mr Belli. **Resolved:** The draft list of comments be forward to the Director of Planning with a request that the Council might have an opportunity to discuss the matter with him.

29 DNPA – Forum 27th May 2011.

Attention was drawn to the DNPA Forum to be held on 27th May 2011.

Resolved: Cllrs Parrott and Shears to represent the Council

30 DNPA Parish Council Planning Workshop

Notice received of intention to run a planning workshop on 14th July 2011. Numbers of persons wishing to attend to be forwarded

Resolved: The Clerk to book 6 places to include Cllrs Bleakman; Mrs Haxton; Parrott; Ms Stead; Williams.

31 Tree Preservation Order: Baileys Hey.Chagford

Cllr Bleakman reported the recommendations of the planning inspection group meeting held on 19th May 2011, attended by Cllrs Bleakman (Chairman); d'Arch Smith; Lloyd Hill and Williams.

Proposed raise canopy over Douglas Fir; Remove low branches from Blue Fir; Prune 3 holly; Crown Lift Larch; Reduce overhanging Robinia; Remove branches from Douglas Fir.

Resolved: The Council is supportive of the proposed works.

ENVIRONMENT MATTERS

32 Western Power – Installation of Poles – Lower Street

Advice received by e-mail of Western Power’s intention to replace 9 poles in Lower Street requiring a road closure. It was considered that to avoid inconvenience to the public, a meeting be held with Western Power to make arrangements for diversions and adequate signing etc. It was felt the most convenient time to start the installation would Jan 2012.

Resolved: The Clerk to arrange a meeting in June/July with Representatives of Western Power and request that they provide a plan of their proposed sites for signage.

GENERAL PURPOSES & POLICY MATTERS

33 NALC – A Community Right to Challenge – (Min 403 refers)

Cllr Mrs Hill circulated a detailed summary of the Community Right to Challenge proposals which is intended to “give free reign to creativity, ingenuity, and the initiatives of the Community”. It details those who can undertake to provide the delivery of services on behalf of the Authorities. The DALC will be responding to this document in May but it must be noted that no indication has been given of where the funding will come from for any projects. The Bill is unlikely to be passed until 2012/13.

Resolved: Cllr Hill was thanked for summarising this complex document and that her findings be kept on file for future reference.

34 NALC – A Community Right to Buy Assets of Community Value (Min 404 refers)

Cllr Mrs Hill’s circulated report stated that the object of the Community Right to Buy “is to give power to local people and their democratically elected representatives to save local facilities or Community buildings etc.” The Right to buy should be restricted to a strong Local Community interest which may attract funding or The Parish Council.

Resolved: Mrs Hill’s document be kept on file for future reference.

35 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Following receipt of a letter of thanks from the Parish Council, Mr Jeffreys wrote to express how pleased he had been to receive it and took the opportunity to wish the Council and its new Members, success for the future. **Noted:**

36 FINANCE MATTERS

The following accounts were approved for payment:-

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a) 3521 - Mrs J Hicks – Internal Audit Fee	42.00
b) 3522 - Mr Glastonbury – planting granite trough	10.00
c) 3523 - Mogford Associates – Playing Field Inspection Fee	108.00
d) 3524 - Mr Licence – planting granite fountain granite troughs	30.00

The Meeting Closed at 8.50pm

Confirmation of the Minutes

Dated.....

Signed.....

