

**Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Chagford Parish Council held at
Endecott House on Monday 25th February 2019**

Present: Cllrs: Coombe, Hamer, Mrs. Haxton, Mrs. Hill (Chairman), Parrott, Mrs. Stanbury, Miss Stead and Williams.

In attendance 3 members of the public.

162. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllrs: Lloyd Hill, Lloyd, Sampson and Mrs. Thorn.

163. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr: Coombe declared an interest in Minute 165(b)

164. URGENT BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

- a) The Chairman reported that she had received the draft transaction documents in respect of the Parish Council's acquisition of the Market House. **Resolved:** The Chairman and Cllr: Sampson will go through the document as there are minor changes to make. There is a maintenance problem in the public conveniences and until this is fixed the Parish Council will not sign the contract.
- b) Following the completion of the required Deed of Variation for the lease of the Recreational Trust ground to enable the application for Lottery Funding to go forward, the Parish Council has received an invoice from the WBW Solicitors. Approval was sought to pay the invoice. **Resolved:** to approve payment.

165. GROUP/REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

Planning Control Matters – Cllr: Parrott

a) Ref: 0071/19 Rack Park, Mill Street, Chagford

Removal of slate canopy roof and replacement with first floor balcony.

Resolved: to support this application.

Cllr: Coombe left the room.

b) Ref: 0484/18 22 The Square, Chagford

Re-instatement of one dwelling back to two cottages

The Clerk wrote to the Planning Officer asking for clarification as to why the planning application was refused. In principle DNPA would have supported the application providing the additional dwelling was to be affordable. Unfortunately the Agent would not agree to sign a Section 106 agreement for the additional dwelling to be an affordable one, in accordance with DMD21. **Noted.**

Cllr: Coombe returned to the meeting.

Tree Works

c) Ref: 19/0005 Jubilee Playing Fields, Chagford

Consent has been granted to carry out works to trees at the Jubilee Field, Chagford. Subject to conditions. **Noted.**

166. GENERAL PURPOSES AND POLICY MATTERS

a) Open Spaces at the CG Fry Development

Paragraph 2.4, Schedule 5, of our Section 106 Agreement for the CG Fry Development requires CG Fry to formally ask if the Chagford Parish Council is willing to take a transfer of the open space through the middle of the scheme. Paragraph 2.4 refers to this as "Owners Notice". **Resolved:** Members agreed that Chagford Parish Council should take a transfer of the open space. The decision was unanimous.

b) Cllr: Sampson has asked the Chairman if the Parish Council will agree to write to Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service regarding the completion of the Chagford Fire Station. The Fire Station was due to be completed ready for handover in January this year. The building was complete with one or two things which had to be implemented by the Fire Service such as utility providers and IT.

The progress of houses coming on line for sale and rental is delayed, because the old Fire Station has to be demolished in order that the entrance to the development can be completed. **Resolved:** to write to the Chair of the Fire Authority asking if there is anything she is able to do to speed the process up.

167. CLERKS/CHAIRMANS REPORT

a) The Chairman reported that DALC have still not replaced the County Officer or an Assistant to the County Officer however adverts for the positions will be going out in the next day or so.

A new property has been secured for the offices of DALC at the YFC at Cheriton Bishop. **Noted.**

b) Cllr: Coombe proposed that Chagford Parish Council write to Highways thanking them for the prompt and high standard of repair to Dogmarsh Bridge. **Resolved: to ask the Clerk to write to Highways, expressing the Parish Council's appreciation of the work done and acknowledge that the Council are always quick to criticise.**

168. CORRESPONDENCE AND EMAILS

a) Thank you from The Chagford Bulletin for the grant from Chagford Parish Council. **Noted.**

b) Notice of Annual General Meeting for both the Chagford Commoners' Association and the Chagford HLS/UELS Association to be held on Thursday 28th February 2019. **Noted.**

c) Entries are open for the prestigious 2019 Prince of Wales Award. Applications are invited from community organisations, including schools

- and, small farm business diversification projects which are seeking to educate and involve young people to sustainable initiatives. **Noted.**
- d) Thank you from The Friends of St. Michael the Archangel, Chagford for the grant towards Churchyard maintenance. **Noted.**
 - e) Thank you from Citizens Advice for the grant to support the advice service. **Noted.**
 - f) Thank you from Chagford Swimming Pool for the grant towards the cost of the lifeguards. **Noted.**
 - g) A letter from Mr. Dickens with regard to The Friends of St. Michael's, Chagford, informing the Parish Council that Terry Bleakman is willing to take over the Treasurers duties from David Jamieson. Terry Bleakman will also replace Mr. Jamieson as a trustee. If agreed by the Parish Council, because Mr. Jamieson was one of the Trustees nominated by the Parish Council. At present the charity is dormant. **Resolved:** to nominate Mr. Bleakman and ask the Clerk to reply to Mr. Dickens.
 - h) A letter has been received regarding the holly tree hedge on the side of O'er Hill. The hedge and bank have been cut back severely. **Resolved:** to write to the O'er Hill Trustees and Dartmoor National Park.

The Meeting Closed at 8.50 p.m.