

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Chagford Parish Council held at Endecott House on Monday 28th January 2019 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Prior to the meeting Mr. Fayer (Director of Blue Cedar) spoke to Councillors about the Blue Cedar Development. To integrate the CG Fry site with the Blue Cedar site was discussed and the route way through.

Chagford Parish Council was concerned that residents of the CG Fry site would not have access to Lower Street through the Blue Cedar site to catch buses, get to school etc.

Mr. Fayer confirmed that when the Bretteville Close entrance is closed a throughway would be accessible to Lower Street. However this would not be for the general public to walk dogs or a children's playground.

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

In attendance 1 member of the Public.

143. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllr: Parrott.

144. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no interests to declare.

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

There was no urgent business to report.

146. GROUP/REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

Planning Control Matters

a) Dartmoor National Park Draft Local Plan (Min: 137(a) refers

Members went through the draft local plan to make comment to Dartmoor National Park. The main points to support –

- Enhance the darks skies, restrict outside lighting
- Conservation of Historic Non-residential Buildings
- Rural Worker's Dwellings
- Self-Build and Shared Ownership
- Access to Public Transport
- Why the site behind Lamb Park had been changed from 100% Affordable Housing to rent, to 45% Affordable Housing and Self-Build and the remainder open market housing as this site had been recorded as an exception site.
- Crannafords should be for light industrial business and any development should be subject to significant road improvement

Resolved: to make comment on Dartmoor's first draft Local Plan.

b) Refusal of Planning Permission

Ref: 0561/18 The Old Fire Station, Manor Road, Chagford

Erection of office. **Noted.**

Tree Works

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

Proposed Tree Works 1-3 Beech – Crown lift to 4.5m. **Resolved:** to support application.

d) Ref: 18/0079 9 Laural Cottage, Chagford

The National Park Authority has not protected the trees with a Tree Preservation Order. **Noted.**

147. GENERAL PURPOSES AND POLICY MATTERS

a) Chagford Public Toilets (Min: 134(a) refers)

Cllrs: Mrs. Haxton, Mrs. Hill and Miss Stead met with Guy Pedrick, Cathy Auberton and Cllr: Sampson to discuss the way forward with regard to taking over Chagford Public Toilets and Market House.

The deadline for completion of this transaction is end of March, although WDBC will endeavour to complete by the end of February. **Resolved:** it was agreed to go ahead with plans to take over the public toilets and Market House from WDBC. The Parish Council agreed to appoint a solicitor. To inform WDBC details of the Council's Solicitor. To hold a General Purposes Meeting on Thursday 7th February 2019 to discuss details.

148. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) To Set the Precept for year commencing 1st April 2019

The Council considered the up to date accounts and the projected budget for this year and an estimated budget for 2019/20. After some discussion with regard to the impact on a Band D equivalent household if the precept is increased. The increasing demands being made on the Parish Council will automatically increase the expenditure. **Resolved:** that the precept for the year 2019/20 should be set at £46,000.00 which means that Band D equivalent will pay £64.52 per year an increase of £3.41.

149. CLERKS/CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Chairman asked Cllr: Sampson West Devon Councillor why WDBC were proposing building a 80 Bedroom hotel in Tavistock. Councillors at West Devon have already agreed a multi-million pound investment in the development and the Council has begun legal negotiations with an international chain. The proposed location for the hotel is Abbey Rise car park.

Last year the Council approved a Commercial Property Strategy with a desire to support regeneration and economic activity. This project is an excellent example of the Council delivering on that strategy and investing financially to the benefit of the Borough as a whole. **Noted.**

150. CORRESPONDENCE AND EMAILS

a) A letter from Help for Heroes has been received thanking the Parish for the donation of £270.00 raised at the WW1 Centenary in November. **Noted.**

The Meeting Closed at 9.45 p.m.