

**Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Chagford Parish Council held at
Endecott House on Monday 28th September 2015**

Prior to the meeting Rod Schneider from Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service gave Chagford Parish Council a brief overview of the services the fire and rescue service can provide.

Apart from the obvious firefighting and co-responder medical care the fire and rescue service wish to engage with the public and sign post and support the vulnerable of communities.

Trigger points for a referral for a Home Safety Visits range from burn marks on soft furnishings or carpets to smokers or anybody you feel is vulnerable.

If anyone would like a Home Safety Visit a visit can be arrange through the Fire and Rescue Service.

Present: Cllrs: Coombe, d'ArchSmith, Mrs. Haxton, Mrs. Hill (Chairman), Sampson, Mrs. Stanbury, Miss Stead, Ms Thorn and Williams.

Apologies: Cllrs: Hamer, Lloyd Hill and Parrott.

216. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no interests to declare.

**URGENT BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE CHAIRMAN'S
DISCRETION**

217. Super Link Meeting

Cllrs: Mrs. Hill, Mrs Haxton, Sampson and Miss Stead attended the Super Link Meeting at Meldon Village Hall on Thursday 24th September 2015.

Tony Hogg, Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Commissioner was in attendance to respond to questions.

John Hart gave an update from Devon County Council stating that funding is very limited and further cuts are required. However funding is available for the A303 and the North Devon Link Road.

The Neighbourhood Policing Team is due to be cut. **Noted.**

218. Beating the Bounds

Beating the Bounds of the inner boundary of Chagford will take place on Sunday 4th October 2015 for Parish Councillors and family. The aim is to meet at Chagford Bridge at 9.30 a.m. ready for 9.45 a.m. Sarah Coombe is kindly providing car back up to carry bags etc.

Cllrs: Mrs. Hill and Coombe have walked the boundary however it is impossible in places to keep to the boundary due to the amount of barbed wire and overgrown vegetation. **Noted.**

GROUP/REPRESENTATIVES RESPORTS

Planning Control Matters – Cllr: Mrs. Hill

- 218. 0465/15** Proposed: Extension of general purpose agricultural building at land at Thorn, Chagford. **Resolved:** No Objection.

219. **0475/15** Proposed: Construction of rear and side extension to form new garden room at Denshams, Chagford. **Resolved:** No Objection.
220. **0471/15** Proposed: Part demolition of single storey extension, widening of access and associated works at Easton Court, Chagford. **Resolved:** No Objection.
221. **0473/15** Proposed: Change of use of annexe and courtyard from hotel to residential (including independent dwelling) plus associated works at Easton Court, Chagford. **Resolved:** No Objection.

Listed Building Consent

222. **0472/15** Proposed: Part demolition of single storey extension, widening of access and associated works at Easton Court, Chagford. **Resolved:** No Objection.
223. **0474/15** Proposed: Change of use of annexe and courtyard from hotel to residential (including independent dwelling) plus associated works at Easton Court, Chagford. **Resolved:** No Objection.

Grant of Conditional Planning Permission

224. **0390/15** Proposed: Demolition of existing lobby, front extension to provide larger lobby and bar area and side extensions incorporating visitor centre, library, plus WCs (including disabled WC), Jubilee Hall, Chagford.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND POLICY MATTERS

225. Follow Up on New Development (Min: 203 refers)

The Chairman reported that she had been advised that Chagford Parish Council will need to appoint a Solicitor to represent the Council with regard to the agreements and the formal completion of the S106 Agreement.

The Clerk has made enquiries from solicitor firms including Ashfords and Govers.

The Chairman has also sought advice from DALC who stated that Parish Councils are custodians of places of special/historical interests. Therefore, it is important that the Open Space, due to the stream, is preserved by the Parish Council. **Resolved:** to contact Gareth Pinwell at Ashfords.

226. To agree the Annual Parish Assembly Minutes 2015

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly were circulated to Members prior to the Meeting. **Resolved:** The Minutes were agreed and noted.

ENVIRONMENT

227. Dog Bins (Min: 211 refers)

The Clerk confirmed that she had contacted swintex and ordered three dog bins. **Noted.**

228. Temporary Prohibition of Through Traffic Notice

Temporary prohibition of through traffic and parking from 29th September until 2nd October 2015 and from 5th October until 6th October 2015 – Gidleigh Lodge to Factory Cross, Chagford. **Noted.**

Temporary prohibition of through traffic and parking from 7th October until 9th October 2015 and from 12th October 2105 for one day - road past Collihole Farm, Chagford. **Noted.**

229. Devon Highways Parish and Town Council Conference

The Devon Highways Parish and Town Council Conference will be held on 21st October 2015 at Bradford and Cookbury Village Hall. The Clerk has booked two places for Councillors to attend. **Resolved:** The Chairman and Cllr: Miss Stead will attend.

230. Tough Choices

Following a 'Tough Choices' stakeholder consultation a change, relating to Devon County Council's highway grass cutting service, took place during early 2015.

Grass cutting on roadsides has now been limited to maintaining visibility at bends and junctions and to provide visibility to signs. **Noted.**

231. Swimming Pool Lease (Min: 33 refers)

Cllr: Sampson will enquire on the progress of the lease. **Noted.**

CORRESPONDENCE AND EMAILS

232. Vision of Padley Common

The Clerk had received a message from Dr. Peter Beale who wishes to meet with the Council to hand over the "Vision of Padley Common" which includes a flyer and a poster for display. **Resolved:** The Chairman and Cllr: Stead will meet with Dr. Beale.

233. Chagford Tennis Club

An email has been received from Chagford Tennis Club advising the Council of the intention of the Club and the Recreational Trust to have the courts re-surfaced this autumn. In order for this to be done, the contractors will need access via the gate at the south end of the park. The Club also requested if the Council would be able to contribute any funds to the project.

Members expressed concern regarding the damage which maybe caused to the Jubilee Field with vehicles etc crossing to the tennis courts, especially during the autumn months. **Resolved:** the Clerk will request a meeting with the Tennis Club and Recreational Trust on site with Councillors to ascertain what they are proposing.

234. Dartmoor Devil Cycle Ride

The Dartmoor Devil Cycle Ride will take place on 25th October 2015. The route enters the parish from the north at Factory Cross and heads out passed Waye Barton and on to Jurston to climb up to the B3212. Riders should pass through from 11.00 a.m. to 2.40 p.m.

Members expressed concern regarding safety with this route. **Resolved:** the Clerk to enquire if there will be Marshalls along the route. The Clerk to put a notice up in Chagford to warn residents of the event.

235. Restorative Justice in Devon

A new project in Devon has been set up and supported by the Police Crime Commissioner and the Victim Care Unit.

Restorative Justice is a process that anyone who has been a victim of crime can access, to obtain answers from the offender which can help with closure on the ordeal. **Resolved:** the Clerk will put the poster send in the Library.

236. Dartmoor Pony Heritage Trust 100-Mile Challenge

The Dartmoor Pony Heritage Trust will be taking on an impressive challenge this Autumn to walk across the Moor for some 100 miles. Taking the route between the four Stannary towns.

There are two main purposes of the 100-mile Challenge. The first is to raise awareness of the heritage, temperament and capability of the Dartmoor Pony and its historical role as a vital partner to people of Dartmoor.

The second is to raise a target of £5000 in aid of the DPHT's Dartmoor Conservation Grazing Project.

The walk will take place between 16-23 October 2015 and will pass through Chagford on Sunday 18th October. **Noted.**

237. Update of Chagford Primary School

The Education Funding Agency Feasibility Report has been released for Chagford CE Primary School.

The EFA has reached a decision that the school should be rebuilt, not refurbished.

The school will begin design meetings etc in the forthcoming months. **Noted.**

238. Statement of Community Involvement – Consultation (Min: 214 refers)

The Dartmoor National Park Authority has published a consultation draft of the Statement of Community Involvement. The document sets the main ways in which DNPA engage with communities, businesses and organisations and individuals around planning. **Resolved:** Chagford Parish Council has no comment to make on the Consultation.

The meeting closed at 9.35 p.m.