

# Chaddleworth Parish Council

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## Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10 April 2018.

1. **Apologies** - Cllr Wilson and Cllr Renaut
2. **Declarations of Interest** - None
3. **Open Forum- un minuted**
4. **Minutes of the meeting of the 6 March 2018 to be agreed, proposed and signed.**  
Cllr Mills proposed and Cllr Ballard seconded the minutes to be a true representation of the meeting. The Chairman signed the minutes.

### 5. Finance

#### a) Bank Accounts

Balances 7 March 2018

Parish Council	£8,459.25
Bakers Trust	£7,547.43
Reserve Fund	£159.16
Football Field	£1,261.71

#### b) Cheques to approve in meeting

100491	Kim Lloyd (Parish Clerk)	£402.35
100492	West Berkshire District Council (dog waste bins)	£89.80
100493	Mrs H Anderson (Litter picking)	£20.00
100494	Chaddleworth Village Hall	£25.00
100495	Keeps Printing	£85.00
100496	Autela Group Limited (Jan, Feb, Mar)	£46.08
100497	Play Inspection Company	£78.00
100498	GMG Services & Solutions Ltd" (March & April invoice)	£170.00

### 6. Signatory to set up Standing Orders

The Clerk passed a letter addressed to Barclays to the Chairman and Vice Chairman for signatory to allow authorisation to set up two standing orders for the payment to the Clerk and Mrs H Anderson (litter picking). The standing orders are asked to be paid from Chaddleworth PC account on the 25<sup>th</sup> of every month.

The Clerk said she would also obtain the village hall bank details for a standing order of £22.92 per month, totalling £275.04 per annual being the 11 meetings in a year (no meeting in August) of £25 per month for the Village Hall hire. The Clerk said to not add

GMG grass contactors this year as they only had started in January, PC can review their workmanship next January and if satisfactory a standing order will be proposed.  
All agreed. **Clerk**

**7. All Model Documents to be reviewed ready for adoption in May**

The Councillors had previously received all model documents via email.  
No amendments were proposed and agreed the documents remain as they stand ready for adoption in May.

**8. Review of Playground Inspection Report**

The Clerk had previously emailed the inspection Report to PC following the inspection on 20<sup>th</sup> March, all was found to be low risk. PC agreed no further action is required.

The Clerk said there were findings of graffiti on the multi junior climber, the Clerk said she would inspect. The report also mentioned the weeds needed attention in the play area, the Clerk said this was under GMG contract and would expect the weeds to be gone by next month; the Clerk said she would contact GMG if the weeds are still there next month. **Clerk**

**9. Ibex Signage**

Cllr Murphy reported he still had no response back from WBC concerning the email from Derek Carnegie, Chris Vidler and Mark Edwards; the WBC Officers of the highway authority, sent on the 11<sup>th</sup> January asking to remove all the Ibex signs within 21 days as they were found to be on highway land.

Cllr Murphy said as you might imagine I'm not at all happy about this email from WBC. Our Parish Council went to a lot of time trouble and expense to get these signs put up. In my communications with WBC I was only told that one sign was on Highways Land. That was the sign at the junction of Hangmans Stone Lane and Sheephouse Way. That sign was moved to the MOD/Glenn Miller side of the road on WBC's advice. Now we are being told that all 5 signs are on Highways Land! This is a shambles especially as there are a number of unauthorised signs in the area and our Parish Council did everything 'by the book'. Cllr Murphy had left a message with Chris Vidler saying that he needed to meet him on site/s to discuss this. So far this has cost the Parish Council well over £2,300 not including the WBC fees. Cllr Murphy also forwarded an extract from WBC (E Moffat) to the highway authority where it clearly says there is NO objection from Highways for 4 of the signs. On the objection to the 5th sign, as said this one was moved.

Cllr Murphy also visited WBC offices and left hard copies of the approved planning application and all correspondence clearly marked for the attention of Derek Carnegie, but Cllr Murphy or the Clerk have not received even an acknowledgment from any of the communications following the email received on 11th January.

**PC Thanked Cllr Murphy for all his ongoing efforts and time spent on this matter with WBC.**

#### 10. Electric Car Charging Point

The elector who raised the item of having electric car charging points in the village gave their apologies to the Clerk; no further information was submitted to the Clerk. The item will be added to a later agenda when information is known.

#### 11. Councillors Questions and Reports

Cllr Murphy reported that Saunders and Wynn Coventry Trust had awarded a large donation to the School. Another award of £250 was given towards school uniforms.

Cllr Murphy reported he had attended the planning application online training at WBC along with Cllr Wilson. This training was offered due to no more postal copies of planning applications being issued unless they were requested and paid for. All planning applications will now be online to view.

#### 12. Clerk's Correspondence

The Clerk asked if PC would like Dog Fouling stickers on offer from Carne Associates for 25 Stickers £12.00 + P&P (£ 1.78) + Vat = £ 16.53. PC already viewed online, and all agreed and asked the Clerk to order 25 stickers. **Clerk**

##### Green Bin Tax

The Clerk previously forwarded an email from an elector asking if PC could invite the district councillor to a Parish Council meeting to discuss the concern over the green bin tax.

##### Extract from West Berkshire Council website:-

*To charge an annual subscription of around £50 per household for the collection of garden waste in 2018. This works out at less than £2 per collection.*

*Residents will be able to opt in to the subscription service. Subscribers will continue to use the green bin and will receive a bin sticker to show that the service has been paid for. The green bin can be put out with recycling every fortnight.*

*Subscribers will still be able to put food in the green bin for recycling.*

*Non-subscribers will stop receiving a garden waste collection, however, if desired, we can still collect food for recycling and will provide a kerbside food caddy on request. Caddies can be put out with recycling every fortnight.*

*The existing extra chargeable green waste collection service will stop. Residents will be able to request additional bins as part of this subscription service and additional charges will apply.*

*There will be no service concessions.*

*We estimate this proposal will create an income of up to £900,000 per year. This additional income will assist in paying for the rubbish and recycling collection service.*

After discussion PC all felt concerns of fly tipping. Cllr Murphy asked the Clerk to contact Dominic Boeck at WBC to invite him to a Parish Council meeting to give electors a chance to ask questions. **Clerk**

### Wessex Mill

Following the Newbury News article from Cllr Murphy concerning Wessex Mill, an elector had asked if the Council would be better off accepting defeat gracefully and working with the developer to get the best outcome. The elector could not understand why the Chairman had written to the PM. The Planning Inspector has decided the appeal, and there is no problem with the water pollution according to the EA.

### ***9.10pm Cllr Mcallister left the meeting***

Cllr Murphy said he was still fighting the decision as he was representing a number of electors in the Parish that had contacted him to ask if there was anything PC could do to overturn this appeal.

Cllr Murphy said he felt he had a strong argument about some of the findings in the inspectorates report and is waiting for a reply from parliament.

Cllr Murphy said he would ask in the next PC meeting when we hopefully have a full Council if Parish Council wanted Cllr Murphy to continue fighting the dispute. **Cllr Murphy**

### **13. Matters for future consideration**

Electric Car Charging Points

- 14. Date of next meeting - Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018**  
**Annual Meeting of the Council at 7.30pm**

**Close 9.50pm**