CHADDLEWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

TUESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2021 at 7.30PM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IN THE CHADDLEWORTH VILLAGE HALL, UPPER END. RG20 7DY.

Cllr's Present:

Cllr. G Murphy (Chair)

Cllr. John Ballard (Vice Chair)

Cllr. Kevin McNamara

Cllr. J Mills

Clerk: Mrs K Lloyd

Members of the Public: 2

1 APOLOGIES

Cllr. Shane Mcallister sent apologies.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS

No Declarations of Interest were received.

3 MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Councillors **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY** to confirm and adopt the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 29th June 2021 and the meeting of the 6^{th of} July 2021.

4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

None.

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

No Planning Applications received at time of publishing Agenda.

6 **FINANCE**

Councillors then **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY** to approve the payments for September as shown below. The Cashflow 2020/21 for September was noted.

(All finance documents emailed to members of the Parish Council before the meeting)

Statement of Accounts

Accounts for Payment September 2021

Expenditure brought forward 21-22

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Payments	5			
Cheque No	Payee	Description		Amount
SO*	Mrs H Anderson	Litter Collection	£	20.00
SO *	Kim Lloyd	Clerk Salary		
SO *	Chadd V Hall	Village Hall Rent	£	23.00
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SO	Kim Lloyd	Clerk Salary		
SO	Chadd V Hall	Village Hall Rent	£	23.00
800079	Scofell	Grass Mowing - July	£	225.00
800079	Scofell	Grass Mowing - August	£	225.00
DD	The Alpha Xperience	Newsletter - August	£	87.25
DD	The Alpha Xperience	Newsletter - September	£	87.25
Paid *			£	1,637.66
Receipts				
Total Rece	£	-		
Balance co	£	£9,678.57 9,750.09 £7,022.24		
Total inclu	£	12,406.42		

7 **SKITTLE ALLEY MAINTENANCE**

The Clerk was asked to obtain a quote from the current grass contractors for Skittle Alley footpath. It was agreed to accept the quote and ask the contractors to add it to the annual working schedule and to carry out the work when the contractors thought necessary. The Councillors agreed Skittle Alley footpath should only require cutting and strimming no more than three times a year.

ACTION: Clerk.

8 LOW-COST HOUSING /LAND TRUST PLOT

Cllr. Murphy attended the workshop on 15/07 with Connecting Communities in Berkshire (CCB) on Setting up a Community Land Trust. Cllr. Murphy had previously suggested to the Parish Council their thoughts on the land behind St Andrews Close being promoted for more affordable housing to meet the needs of Chaddleworth people, which will be protected as affordable housing for future generations. Many communities are seeing their young people and essential workers priced out of local homes. Even where there is housing development it often does not meet the needs of local people.

Cllr. Murphy said the workshop was informative and had since approached local landowners to find out if there would be any interest in gifting land for development. One landowner would like to help and is looking into this further. The Parish Council are waiting to hear more.

9 **FOOTPATH EXTENSION PROPOSAL**

A local landowner was going to extend a footpath for the benefit of the Parishioners/Ramblers. The Parish Council supported his proposal. However, West Berkshire Council (WBC) said to divert the existing legal line of a public footpath requires an application to the local authority for a public path order, which itself requires a full legal process, and, as standard, an agreement to pay costs arising. On further enquiry to WBC it was going to cost the landowner a considerable sum, so very understandably he has decided not to pursue.

10 **COUNCILLORS / CLERK REPORTS**

26/07 Email from Brightwalton PC. A memorial of Trees for Sir Philip Wroughton. Brightwalton PC with the Woolley Estate would like to create an avenue of trees down Brightwalton Hill towards Woolley Park. It is recognised Sir Philip did a lot for the parishes and the tree planting seems like a fitting memorial. Some of the planting falls outside the Brightwalton Parish boundary and onto the Chaddleworth boundary. The Councillors had no objections and welcomed the memorial planting of ornamental cherries or similar and native oaks.

01/09 Email from WBC - Invitation to Newbury Zero Carbon Tour - 8th September 2021.

01/09 Email from Greenham Trust. They would like to come and update everyone on Greenham Trust and our 25th Anniversary. The Parish Council asked for a speaker to be booked.

ACTION: Clerk.

Cllr. Ballard reported that Mr Christopher Jordan is stepping down from the Village Hall committee as Booking Clerk / Treasurer with Mr David Jennings stepping into the posts. The Parish Council thanked Mr Jordan for all he has done on the Village Hall Committee and welcomed Mr Jennings.

Cllr. Ballard raised the matter of the overgrowth surrounding the Ibex sign opposite the Sheephouse junction. This overgrowth is starting to block the sight of the road when pulling out of Glenn Miller Close. The Clerk will investigate if WBC can cut the overgrowth as sometimes private contractors have cut this section in the past.

ACTION: Clerk.

11 MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

None

October Agenda – Parish Council Noticeboard replacement.

12 **DATE OF NEXT MEETTING**

To confirm the date of the next meeting on Tuesday 5th October 2021 at 7.30pm in the Chaddleworth Village Hall.