

CHELMORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Chelmorton Parish Council held in the War Memorial Institute on Tuesday 9th May 2023

Present: Cllr S Cooper Cllr K Duncan, Cllr R Jones, Cllr W Mosley and Cllr J Skidmore

In attendance: Matthew Lovell (Clerk) and 0 members of the Public.

Councillors signed their Declaration of Office in the presence of the clerk and completed their DPI

848 Election of Chair

Councillor Richard Jones was elected Chair and signed the declaration.

849 Election of Vice-Chair

Councillor James Skidmore was elected Vice-Chair signed the declaration.

850 Variation of order of business and clerk's notification of time constrained items

No variations required.

851 Declarations of Members Interests

In respect of this meeting: Cllr Mosley noted that he lives opposite the application in 855.

852 Public Speaking

none

Apologies were received from County Councillor Simon Spencer and PCSO Benjamin Morris

853 To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 14th March 2023 The minutes were signed by the Chair.

854 To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded – none

855 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting & planning related matters

Decisions received: none

Applications returned to meet deadline:– none

Applications for discussion: NP/DDD/0323/0344–Land and buildings to south-west of Church Lane, Chelmorton = Proposed replacement of large agricultural building with new residential dwelling.

Council objects to this application as it's style is totally out of character for the village and that part of the village in particular. The scale of the proposed dwelling is out of character and its height is not in keeping with the conservation area.

There is an urgent need to provide affordable properties for local youngsters who cannot afford to buy in the village. This site was one of those looked at during the last round of sorely needed affordable housing plots in the village and Council would prefer to see a development to keep younger generations in the village prioritised by planners.

NP/DDD/0423/0413 Shepley Farm, Unnamed Section Of Road Between Main Street And Old Coalpit Lane, Chelmorton - Proposed agricultural slurry store

Council supports this application enabling a working farm to improve its environment.

856 Footpaths and Highways and related issues

Signage and verges at Pippenwell – DCC to be contacted again for a "road blocked after first house" winter sign and to look at steep verges. Cllrs to ask for the caravan at the junction with Common Lane to be moved as it affects sight lines and turning.

The request to DCC to move the 30 mph sign to the edge of the village will be made.

A request for an additional dog bin at the top of the village will be passed on to DDDC.

Mowing grass verges on the Ditch – DDDC map details to be passed to councillors.

857 Reports from Village Organisations

Village Institute – a successful Coronation Party. Two new committee members have started.
Trust – no report
Festival – Full programme of events sorted with cream teas and a ceilidh.

858 Village Assets/Website/Allotments:

Repairs to equipment have been carried out as per the inspection report. Allotments all in use. Website will be updated with new councillor details and accounts shortly. Spring gate to be fixed.

859 Items for Information

DALC Circulars and briefings – election matters

860 Annual Governance Statement

Council approved signature of the Governance Statement noting all expenditure transactions use the secure Unity Trust system and match the accounts.

861 Accounts approval for audit and signature of exemption certificate

Council approved for signature the annual accounts and exemption certificate for submission

862 Finance

Council resolved to authorise the following:

(a)	Accounts for Payment		vat
	Ubddr HM Lovell wages May	£194.74	
	Ubddr NEST monthly	£14.41	
	ubddr HM Lovell expenses	£38.04	
	ubddr Vertas mowing	£148.10	£29.62
	ubddr HM Lovell wages Jun	£194.74	
	ubddr B Wood internal audit	£48.00	
	ubddr NEST monthly	£14.41	
	ubddr Unity charges	£18.00	

(b) Income Precept £5694.00 Deposit Interest £29.81

(c) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment
Current account Balance at 25/04/23 £5958.36
Deposit account balance at 25/04/23 £6142.41

863 Date of next meeting – 4th July in the Village Institute

2023: 5th September, 14th November 2024: 9th January, 5th March (APM), 7th May

Exclusion of the Public – no matters

The meeting closed at 8: 22 pm