

CHETNOLE AND STOCKWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 13 September 2017 in Chetnole Village (Meeting Number 3 – 2017-2018 council year)

Present: Councillors O Pope (Chairman), S Darley (Vice Chairman),
M Gallimore, W Henry and J Hume.

In Attendance: Mrs S Woodford (Clerk)

Public Forum

Cllr Penfold spoke of resurfacing work to take place in Chetnole in the coming year. It is hoped that remedial work will be carried out on parts of Back Lane and Neals Lane. Cllr Penfold referred to the bid for Dorset Councils to unite the 9 existing Councils into a Unitary Authority, but no reply has yet been received from the Home Office to give this process the go-ahead.

3.1 Apologies for Absence: Cllr L Carroll and J Meier, Cllrs R Legg and M Lawrence (WDDC)

3.2 Minutes of the Meeting held on 19 July 2017

RESOLVED: Proposed Cllr Henry, seconded Cllr Hume and agreed unanimously that the Minutes be signed as a correct record.

3.3 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

None

3.4 Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meetings held on 19 July 2017

3.4.1 Confirmed that a Dog Waste Bin has been purchased for use in the Chetnole Playing Field but has yet to be installed.

3.5 Planning:

3.5.2 WD/D/17/000632 REFUSED Myrtle Cottage. Erection of 1no dwelling with associated parking.

Members were concerned that this application, despite being recommended for Committee consideration by two local District Council Members and the Parish Council, and that request endorsed by the Chairman of the District Council Planning Committee, it was still decided under delegated powers. It was agreed that the Clerk would follow this up with the District Council to establish why this was an officer decision and why this particular application was refused.

3.6 Finances

3.6.1 Accounts for Payment (See Appendix A for details)

It was resolved to approve payment of £ 2,737.93 in total from the PC Current Account and £239.00 from the Playing Field Management Team Account.

(Noted that £1,207.50 of the expenditure was from the Neighbourhood Plan budget of £3,683.)

Total assets at 13 September 2017:	Parish Council	10,665.26
	Playing Field Fund	£2,753.82

RESOLVED: Proposed Cllr Pope, seconded Cllr Darley and agreed unanimously to approve the accounts for payment and balances recorded.

3.7 Grants and Donations

No requests for grants had been received

3.8 Chairmans Announcements

No particular items to note

3.9 Reports from Members on other bodies

3.9.1 Flood Warden – Gordon Ratcliffe reported that the inlet to the Mill Lane bridge bypass culvert is beginning to collect a build-up of fallen branches, it is becoming silted and needs clearing.

3.9.2 Home Watch – Gordon Ratcliffe reported that Gary Sturgess will take over as Co-ordinator for Hamlet.

3.9.3 Boyles Trust – No report this month

3.9.4 STAG (Sherborne Transport Action Group) – The STAG meeting is to be held on September 13th, so no report yet for this meeting.

3.10 Highways Issues

3.10.1 County Council ‘Working Together with Highways’ document

The Chairman spoke of the Wriggle Valley Transport Group, which is endeavouring to organise local transport within the villages following the demise of the local rural bus service. Cllr Pope spoke of the advantages of the NORDCAT bus scheme, which can be booked a day in advance and is very reasonably priced. Car share schemes are in operation but do not suit all. Information on the various transport schemes is available in the Wriggle Valley Magazine.

3.11 Footpaths

Cllr Darley reported that a new handrail had been fitted and the stanchions re-welded on the footbridge at Bound Lane, ensuring a complete repair.

3.12 Playing Field

3.12.1 To approve the notes of the Management Team held on 20.7.17 and 7.9.17

RESOLVED: Proposed Cllr Pope, seconded Cllr Henry and agreed unanimously to approve the Minutes of 20.7.17 and 7.9.17.

3.12.2 To approve the provision of a 5 aside pitch on Chetnole Playing Field

RESOLVED: Proposed Cllr Gallimore and seconded by Cllr Henry and agreed unanimously to approve the provision of a 5 aside pitch on Chetnole Playing Field.

3.12.3 To approve in principle the repair of the Pavilion Roof

After discussion, Members agreed in principle to the repair of the roof and a provision would be built into the budget for 208/2019. No final decision will be made until quotes are available for materials. It is understood that the labour would be voluntary and the Council expressed their gratitude for this offer, but note that anyone who kindly offers their assistance with the project must ensure that they are covered by the Council's public liability insurance cover. The Clerk will inform the PFMT of this in principal agreement and thank them for the offer to take on the repair work.

3.12.4 Playing Field Trees

Members noted that an application is to be submitted to WDDC to fell the poisoned Chestnut and, at the request of Mr and Mrs Russell of Church View, to remove the boughs of the adjacent Norway Maples which overhang the garden of Church View.

3.13 Neighbourhood Plan

Reported that a Questionnaire is being prepared for circulation to the village, the draft prepared by the Steering Group is being revised by the consultant advisor as she considered it too general, the emphasis on any Neighbourhood Plan is housing and this needs to be reflected in the Questionnaire.

3.14 Matters requiring the attention of the Council

Cllr Darley noted the recent success of local resident Andrew Frost who became World Champion in the RS Aero World Championship held at Carnac in France.

3.15 Date of next Meeting: Wednesday 8 November 2017.

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Chairman