

MEETING OF CAMPTON AND CHICKSANDS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held in

Campton Village Hall on Wednesday 3rd October 2018.

Present: Cllr Baker in the Chair, Cllr Booton, Dr Willis, Cllr Longson, Cllr Martin, Central Bedfordshire Cllr Tony Brown.

Apologies: Cllr Ash and Central Bedfordshire Councillor Mark Liddiard.

100/18 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Residents were concerned with planning application CB/18/02856/FULL, the Clerk was able to inform residents that CBC had been contacted and they had approached the residents who were immediately affected. Signs have also been placed in Chicksands and residents are able to submit their views within 21 days, the signs were to be placed sometime after 19th September 2018.

Resolved: The Clerk will clarify where the notices are and when the 21 days expires and contact the resident concerned.

A resident requested further updates on the Local Plan, currently the plan is with the inspector and dates for Parish Councils to discuss issues with the inspector have not yet been released, it is anticipated that these will be the end of October 2018.

Residents are concerned with the possibility of Sunday league football, two residents have approached the Parish Council and residents at the meeting highlighted potential problems with parking, maintenance, damage to residents fencing, behaviour and language, venue sharing. Residents also requested more information on the type of league and number of games. The PC are awaiting a response from Shefford Town football club prior to consulting with the residents of Campton.

101/18 MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5th September 2018 were signed as a true record of the meeting.

102/18 DECLARATION OF INTEREST/REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION:

None

103/18 REPORT BY CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCILLOR:

- CBC have been successful in winning a share in £1.4m funding to design adult social care services. They have been awarded £27,000, which will be used to fund a project which will help predict demand for and understanding of the impact of care.
- The underpass has been reported to CBC and a report number has been issued for the underpass to be cleared up.
- The Clerk and Cllr Booton asked if Cllr Brown was aware of the Highways Challenge Maintenance Grant, he was not. Cllr Booton will forward him more information and Cllr Brown will look into it.

- A number of potholes have been repaired within Campton, however the Greenway road surface remains very poor. Cllr Brown confirmed that it has been registered for repair but will look into it.
- Superfast broadband roll-out was launched in Central Bedfordshire in 2014 to meet the high demand for faster fibre connections for homes and businesses in the region. Superfast has now reached more than 25,000 premises across the Central Bedfordshire area in hard-to-reach areas places that would not be able to get better broadband otherwise. The broadband programme will continue to deliver this important technology to those rural locations, while providing our individuals, communities and businesses with the faster fibre connections that can help them grow and prosper. We are seeking to further increase coverage of superfast and ultrafast broadband: our aim is for 97.4% coverage by March 2019, and greater levels beyond that. As part of the superfast broadband project, we are surveying residents, schools and businesses to see what their perception is of the current levels of broadband and what level of coverage they have; how frequently they access the internet; what devices they use and for what purposes; and to seek information on future needs and ambitions. This survey will help us assess what our community wants and needs. The survey will run from 24 September until 30 November 2018. The public can have their say by answering online questionnaires for residents; businesses and schools or pick up a paper copy from their local library or leisure centre.
- Extra date for Steppingley crematorium public event. The Assets team has added another date to its public engagement events to talk about proposals for a new and contemporary crematorium behind the Steppingley Hospital near Flitwick. An extra event will be held on Tuesday 9 October, from 1pm-8pm, at Steppingley Village Hall. For those who cannot attend, there is full information on our website, or sign up for future email alerts about this project.
- The CBC, in accordance with Government requirements has digitalised its planning application. On receipt of a planning application a paper version of plans (up to A3 only) and a copy of the public planning application form will be sent out. All supporting documents, that have previously been printed and posted will only be available on the website. If the applicant has supplied all documentation in paper form it will be sent out. To help with forward planning at meetings the Council publishes a weekly list of all applications received in each Parish, which can be accessed via this link: <http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/planning/view-comment/weekly-list.aspx>
- CBC has advised Town and Parish councils that the preferred method of receiving consultation responses is online via the Planning Register <http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/PLANTECH/DCWebPages/AcolNetCGI.gov> full details are explained in the letters that are sent from the Planning Department.
- Details on the local Plan can be found on the following Link: <http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/planning/policy/local-plan/examination.aspx>
- A survey of Community/Village Halls is being carried out, The link to the survey is <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/centralbedfordshirecommunitybuildingsurvey2017>

104/18 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:

Tom Price, the CBC Neighbourhood Plan Officer attended the September meeting and discussed drafts and policies and suggested using previous plans for guidance. All policies have to be compliant with the Local Plan and National policies framework.

Each working group is currently analysing data and a number of residents have come forward wishing to discuss themes, these residents will be contacted shortly. The next meeting is planned for the end of October.

Cllr Longson has been unable to access the Agendas, Minutes and meeting dates via the website, Dr Willis will look into this.

105/18 TELEPHONE BOX IN GREENWAY:

The Clerk emailed and spoke to BT concerning the removal of the telephone box, it had been on the list of potential removals for BT, however CBC submitted an objection. The Clerk followed this up with CBC and during the last consultation the telephone had shown evidence of use and therefore its removal was not appropriate. CBC have agreed to approach BT for a list of calls made in the last 18 months, a slot with the Executive has been booked for February to discuss this and whether it is viable to have it removed. Cllr Booton confirmed at the meeting that there is no telephone handset in the box, so the phone cannot be used. The Clerk will confirm this with CBC.

106/18 SUNDAY FOOTBALL LEAGUE:

The Council have received two written views on the potential for Sunday football and residents have attended meetings. The Parish Council plans to consult with Shefford Town football club and receive feedback from them prior to consulting with residents. It was felt that it is important to obtain reasons for the resident's views rather than a simple yes/no answer, the views should also be restricted to Campton residents.

107/18 INDIVIDUAL COUNCILLOR UPDATES:

PAVILLION:

Cllr Booton has found a number of grants available for external and internal works on the Pavilion as work is urgently required. Dr Willis and Cllr Baker will discuss this with the football club during the next meeting.

CBC COUNCILLOR UPDATES:

Cllr Liddiard sent through an update this evening for the meeting and it was felt that it would be beneficial for the CBC Cllrs to send an update prior to every meeting, this would allow Cllrs to prepare questions. The Clerk will speak to the CBC Cllrs and put forward this request.

108/18 PLANNING:

PLANNING APPLICATION CB/18/02856/FULL Eisenhower Place, JF Kennedy Drive, Truman Place, Chicksands. Construction of a foul pumping station, manholes, gravity sewers and rising main.

The Planning department at CBC were able to reassure the Pc that there would be no adverse impact over ground from the initial construction of the compound and rising main.

Annington are fulfilling their obligation to carry out 'Base separation' the properties currently discharge their waste water to MOD sewerage network and this arrangement is time limited..

The pumping station compound exterior will be constructed as close as possible to the exterior brickwork of existing houses. Only a telemetry mast will be visible above the compound wall.

The Clerk will update residents with regards to the CBC consultation as discussed under Public Participation.

Residents questioned the potential future development of The Glebe. Tree preservation order have been looked at and the Neighbourhood Plan are doing all they are able to try and protect this area. CBC will need to take into consideration the views of residents arising from the Neighbourhood Plan.

Application has been submitted today for 31 Gravenhurst Rd, clerk will forward details to Cllrs when received.

109/18 FINANCE:

Outgoing October:

Benefice £64

Grangers £1210.74

L Bains £150

A Muskett £99.36

Click on Nature £52 (Neighbourhood Plan)

Silsoe PC £125 (50% share of Clerk training)

Clerk Salary £474.64

Bank account balances:

Community account £60,844.45

Business Account £22,962.05

Clerk will obtain a copy of the grass cutting contract and list this on the Agenda for the next meeting.

Clerk has been asked to check Insurance prices for this current year and last year.

110/18 CONSULTATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Scam Mail information

Reynolds Landscaping flyer

Glasdon Catalogue

Barclays update for over the counter payments

111/18 AOB:

- A date needs to be set for going through old paperwork.
- The Budget will be discussed at the next meeting.
- Campton United Charities next meeting end of October 2018.
- All Cllrs agreed to move the meeting on 1st May 2019 to 15th May 2019 so as to enable a hall block booking.
- The Burial board records all require updating, the finances have not been audited and works are required to the graveyard. The Clerk and the clerk at Shefford have been working through the paperwork and trying to rectify the situation. A meeting of the burial board is to be arranged. The Burial board are also partly responsible for the churchyard at All saints Church, Campton.
- Cllrs agreed to continue preparing a representation for the Local Plan inspector. Cllr Baker will look into arranging a meeting.

112/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The Next meeting will take place on Wednesday 7th November 2018.

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