

## Chiddingly Parish Council

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14<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Members of Chiddingly Parish Council are summoned to the **Parish Council Meeting** to be held on **21<sup>st</sup> January 2020** commencing at 1930 hours in Chiddingly Village Hall.

Signed: **Claudine Feltham** Clerk to Chiddingly Parish Council.

### AGENDA

1. Apologies and reasons for absence.
2. The Chairman will invite Councillors to declare any interest they may have in the following agenda items.
3. Minutes of 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019 Parish Council Meeting to be agreed and signed as a true record.  
*The meeting is then suspended for 10 minutes, if required, for the Public to express a view or ask a question about any item on the following agenda.*
4. Clerk and Councillor reports arising from the minutes 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019 not covered elsewhere in the agenda:
5. Councillor Reports:
  - 5.1. Cllr Draper (WDC).
  - 5.2. Cllr Nick Bennett (ESCC)
6. Correspondence:
7. **Jubilee Play Park** – any new issues to report?
8. **Jubilee Garden** – any new issues to report?
9. **Councillor Reports:**
  - 9.1 **Saturday Morning Market:** *There is no Saturday morning market in January. Cllr Tolhurst is due to attend 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020. Cllr Marchant is due to attend 7<sup>th</sup> March 2020.*
- 10 **Footpaths** – any new issues to report? Cllr Newham
- 11 **Highways**
  - 11.1 Stream Mill bridge – damage due to recent flooding - Clerk
  - 11.2 Fingerposts – update from the Clerk
  - 11.3 Chiddingly – please drive carefully signs – Cllr Newham
  - 11.4 Muddle Green verge – update from Clerk/ESCC
  - 11.5 Potholes on the approach to the church – Cllr Tolhurst/Clerk
- 12 **Financial Matters**
  - 12.1 To approve the Bank reconciliations for December 2019.
  - 12.2 To approve and authorise accounts payable (as detailed on the payment list).
  - 12.3 To receive the RBS reports; Cash and Investment reconciliation and summary receipts and payments.

13. Capital projects expenditure project update from Cllr Allan on the possible electric car charging point in the village car park.

14. Village Car Park – to consider the quotes on the additional tree works - Cllr Welsh

15. Jose Losemore memorial bench - update from the Clerk

16. IT – to re consider the quotes and options – Cllr Richards

17. Chiddingly Primary School – outside play/exercise equipment. To consider the report circulated prior to the meeting, and if there is anything that the parish council can assist the school with on their project.

18. Policies

18.1 Review and approval of amendments to the Code of Conduct policy as proposed by WDC and ESCC with the corrected formatting on the document by Cllr Mikelis

18.2 Adoption of the Co-option policy – Cllr Richards

19. Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer vacancy – update from Cllr Richards.

20. Speedwatch – Cllr Marchant

21. Mobile phone mast – Cllr Allan

22. To appoint a Cllr to be responsible for writing the monthly parish magazine article

22. Tree planting in the village – Cllrs Welsh, Allan and Marchant.

**24. Planning applications:** the following applications have previously been sent to the parish council for consultation, however, WDC had not decided on them because they were awaiting the outcome of the Local Plan. Now that the Local Plan has been dismissed by the Inspector, they have been re sent to the parish. The following statement from Chris Bending, WDC Planning applies to all of them: I am writing to you in connection with the below applications for planning permission since you have previously lodged representations about the proposals.

Whilst the applications have been submitted for some time now, they remain live applications. We have not processed the applications for various reasons, not least because of the evolution of the preferred strategy in the Submission Wealden Local Plan 2019. That Plan has recently been declared unsound and the Examining Inspector has recommended it be withdrawn.

If you have any further comments to make about the proposed applications, then please submit them by 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019. For the avoidance of doubt, it is not necessary to repeat any comments already lodged since we have these and will take them into account when reaching a decision.

**24.1 Application:** [WD/2018/1184/F](#)

Description: Conversion of farm building to dwelling.

Location: TEN ACRES, HIGHLANDS LANE, CHIDDINGLY, BN8 6HE

Chiddingly Parish Council original response to WDC (July 2018): the parish council discussed the design and layout for this application. The parish council also noted that there had been approximately 9 new developments/conversions within Highlands Lane over recent years. The parish council appreciated that this would be a small 2-bedroom development, which has been identified as a housing need within the village. The parish council reached a unanimous decision to recommend approval for this application and politely request that a condition is included, within any planning permission granted, that future permitted development would be removed. This way any additions to the building would need to be applied for, and therefore considered by the parish council.

**24.2 Application:** [WD/2018/0771/F](#)

Description: demolition of existing agricultural buildings and floodlit sand school and construction of a new dwelling, gardens and parking

Location: BROOMFIELD FARM, STALKERS LANE, EAST HOATHLY, BN8 6QS

Chiddingly Parish Council response to Wealden District Council (May 2018): the parish council discussed this application at length and reached a majority vote (7 in favour and 1 against) to recommend approval for this application. It is unobtrusive and a vast improvement on the existing structure. The housing needs survey conducted in 2014 did identify that there was a lack of suitable retirement properties in the village, and this is the purpose for this dwelling.

**24.3 Application:** [WD/2018/0680/FR](#)

Description: Retrospective application for change of use of an agricultural building to a B2 general industrial use unit.

Location: CARRBROOK FARM, STONEHILL, CHIDDINGLY, BN8 6HQ

Chiddingly Parish Council response to Wealden District Council (May 2018): the parish council reached a unanimous decision to recommend approval for this application.

**24.4 Application:** [WD/2018/1681/F](#)

Description: Change the use of part of a barn to repair and maintenance of motor vehicles

Location: BURCHETTS FARM, WHITESMITH LANE, WHITESMITH BN8 6HA

Chiddingly Parish Council response to Wealden District Council (September 2018): the parish council reached a unanimous decision to recommend approval

**24.5 Application:** [WD/2017/2890/FR](#)

Description: Change of use of paddock to residential curtilage. erection of building for business use as a beauty salon and associated crossover to existing access.

Location: CAREWELL HOUSE, CHALVINGTON ROAD, GOLDEN CROSS, CHIDDINGLY, BN27 3SS

Chiddingly Parish Council response to Wealden District Council (January 2018): the parish council reached a unanimous decision to object to this application. However, should WDC approve this application then would request for a condition for this ancillary building to be legally tied to the main dwelling, so it could not be sold off separately.

**24.6 Application:** [WD/2017/0384/FR](#)

Description: Retrospective application for change of use of private swimming pool for mixed private and limited commercial purposes for teaching babies and toddlers up to the age of 4, and people with physical disabilities including amputees to swim.

Location: GILDRIDGE, WHITESMITH, BN8 6JD

Chiddingly Parish Council response to Wealden District Council (March 2017): the parish council voted unanimously to recommend approval for this application, subject to any comments from ESCC Highways with regards to access, as it is close to the junction with the A22.

**24.7 Application:** [WD/2018/2387/O](#)

Description: Construction of new industrial units up to 900 sq.m. which will be used for class B1/B2/B8 use purposes. access will utilise existing access to estate along with new internal roads, parking, landscaping and turning.

Location: HOLMES HILL ESTATE, HOLMES HILL, WHITESMITH, BN8 6JA

Chiddingly Parish Council response to Wealden District Council (November 2018): The parish council feel that this development would fill and complete the site. The parish council reached a unanimous decision to recommend approval for this application.

**25.** Publication of minutes – Cllr Mikelis

**26.** Any items for inclusion on next month's agenda:

- *The next planning meeting will take place on Tuesday 28th January 2020 at 7.30 p.m. in Chiddingly Village Hall.*
- *The next parish council meeting will take place on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 7.30 p.m. in Chiddingly Village Hall.*