

Great Chesterford Parish Council

Minutes of an Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8th January, 2019

Present Cllrs Gareth Bevens, David Hall, Mike Mitchell, Tom Newcombe, Rachel Thackray and Sharon Tricerri.

In Attendance 1 member of the public and Amanda Lindsell, Interim Clerk to the Council.

19/001 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from District Cllr Julie Redfern, Chairman Neil Gregory, and Cllr Penny McCullough.

It was resolved that Cllr Newcombe would chair the meeting.

19/002 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr Newcombe - partner at Birketts.

Cllr Bevens and Tricerri - allotment holders.

19/003 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

19/004 FINANCE

i. The clerk presented a statement of accounts and reconciliation to cash books for the Recreation Ground Trust and Parish Council which were agreed and signed.

The following transactions;

300182 - DSI Kitchens - Community Centre ramp materials - £310.00

300183 - Maintenance salary Dec 2018 (invoice not received so repeated Nov 18, adjust Jan19) - £686.61

300184 - Clerk December 2018 salary - £650.99

300185 - Interim clerk December 2018 salary - £501.50

300186 - Interim clerk's December 2018 expenses - £68.34

were approved for payment from the Parish Council current account alongside the following direct debits;

17/12/18 - DD - A & J Lighting Dec - call out and replacement light - inv 32403 - £795.60

31/12/18 - DD - Unity Trust Bank - service charge - £18.00

02/01/19 - DD - A & J Lighting Dec - call out and maintenance - inv3243 - £368.88

02/01/19 - DD- A & J Lighting Dec - call out and maintenance - inv32445 - £264.44

15/01/19 - DD- A & J Lighting January maintenance - £161.64

23/01/19 - E.On - January Street Lighting - £387.66

ii. Following careful consideration of the proposed budget and agreement that £25,000 was a sensible contribution towards the currently unidentifiable but undoubtedly significantly higher expenditure costs that will be incurred as a result of the Local Plan, the 2019/20 budget was agreed at £109,467.00. (Revised budget attached). It was noted that the Parish Council are highly dependent on the financial input from the Action Group and residents.

iii. The 2019/20 Precept was agreed at £109,327.00 and the Precept Demand form was completed and signed by the Chair and the Clerk.

Cllr Newcombe thanked Cllr Bevens for his extensive work with the budget and precept.

19/005 MATTERS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

Street lights.

19/006 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 9th January, 2018.

The meeting closed at 9.50pm.