# **Christian Malford Parish Council**

## **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**

Held on Tuesday 5 April 2022 at 7.45pm at the Christian Malford Village Hall

Those present were noted as Councillors: M Johnson, I Patterson, I Kirkpatrick (Chair), P Hines, C Read and M Cox. Also present: L Roslyn, Clerk, 3 members of the public and Ward Cllr H Greenman (arrived 20.00).

## 001<sup>(22)</sup> Apologies and Reasons for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs S Depla (work), K Assinder (personal) and B Kimber (work).

## 002<sup>(22)</sup> Declaration of interests from members regarding matters on the agenda

No declarations of interests were received.

#### 003<sup>(22)</sup> Public Forum Session

Matters raised included: the state of the Meadow following the Bonfire in 2021 – Cllr Hines apologised on behalf of the Bonfire Committee and said that he had spoken to those responsible and that it would be cleared early May. He agreed that a working party to help would be a good idea and that is should be posted on the Shout Out Malford FB page; the Church PCC asked if they could use the Meadow for parking for a church event at the weekend and this was agreed; the Allotmenteers asked for support for a compost bin area on the Meadow and the Clerk agreed to put it on the Agenda for the next Parish Council Meeting.

## 004<sup>(22)</sup> Minutes for Approval

It was <u>resolved to approve</u> the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 1 March 2022 and they were duly signed.

## 005<sup>(22)</sup> Finance

It was <u>resolved to approve</u> the monthly accounts statement and new invoices totalling £3,606.25 for online payment.

#### 006<sup>(22)</sup> Planning

It was **resolved to respond** to new planning applications received as follows:

	Planning Ref	Details	Decision
i	PL/2022/00072	Mermaid Inn, Main Road, SN15 4BE - Proposed change of use from Café/Wine Bar (sui generis) to a dwelling (class c3) and associated works	Object – HG to Call-in
ii	PL/2022/02619 (LBC)	Mermaid Inn, Main Road, SN15 4BE - Proposed change of use from Café/Wine Bar (sui generis) to a dwelling (class c3) and associated works	Object – HG to Call-in
iii	PL/2022/02089	Land Opposite Lye Common, SN15 4BH - Variation of cond. 3 of 19/01738/FUL to incorporate re-design of plot 6.	Object – HG to Call-in

## 007<sup>(22)</sup> Neighbourhood Development Plan Review

Cllr Kirkpatrick invited the Chair of the NDP Review Steering Group to give an update on the progress towards the low-key review of the NDP – he advised it was on-going.

(20.00 Cllr H Greenman arrived).

## 008<sup>(22)</sup> Highways, Parish Steward and Community Speed Watch

Cllr I Patterson reported on the works carried out by the Parish Steward and new requests received. The CSW team have still not been out but were hoping to resume next month. The stats for the SID

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revealed that, even though the B4069 is closed at Lyneham Banks, over 85,000 vehicles were recorded last month.

#### 009<sup>(22)</sup> Recreation Ground

The Clerk gave details of Cllr K Assinder's report and advised of 2 items he had requested to go on the Agenda for the next Parish Council Meeting. It was noted that there had been more incidents of antisocial behaviour from dog owners not picking up dog mess.

#### 010<sup>(22)</sup> Malford Meadow/Allotments

Cllr Hines had nothing further to report on the Meadow/Allotments.

#### 011<sup>(22)</sup> Burial Ground

Cllr M Johnson reported that we were still waiting for the tree assessment report and that the Stage 1 works on the Memorial Garden would be starting tomorrow.

## 012<sup>(22)</sup> Rights of Way & Village Assets

Cllr I Kirkpatrick said there were no issues on the Rights of Way and that he has managed to get a training defibrillator and will be planning some training sessions in the village.

## 013<sup>(22)</sup> Village Hall

Cllr Hines had no update from the VHMC and it was agreed that the Clerk would contact them to invite them to future meetings to give updates on the new hall.

## 014<sup>(22)</sup> Flooding/Emergency Plan

Cllr M Cox reported there were no flooding issues but raised concerns over the level of fly-tipping alongside the travellers site on the Main Road. The matter has been reported to the Environment Agency and Wiltshire Council but no action had, as yet, been taken.

#### 015<sup>(22)</sup> Environmental/Sustainability Matters

No report received.

#### 016<sup>(22)</sup> Annual Village Meeting 2022

The Clerk gave details of the AVM on Tuesday 17 May 2022 and the support required from the Cllrs.

#### 017<sup>(22)</sup> Wiltshire Council

Cllr H Greenman gave an update of the revenue budget and stressed the need for the Parish Council to maintain funds to cover devolved streetscene services into the future. They have received two applications for large solar farms in the County. He also reported that the 5 year housing land supply was now at 4.72 years and emphasis was being placed on supporting NDPs. The Chair brought to his attention that we had objected to three planning applications and requested that he call them in – the Clerk agreed to put this in writing.

#### 018<sup>(22)</sup> Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report was given (verbally) and forms part of these minutes.

#### 019<sup>(22)</sup> Date of the Next Meeting

The date of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was noted as Tuesday 3 May 2022 in the Village Hall.

Meeting ended at 20:45

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