

## CHILDS ERCALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Childs Ercall Parish Council held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023 in the Jubilee Hall at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr. A Cadden (Chair)  
Cllr. M Mackay  
Cllr. F Norfolk  
Cllr. P Clifton  
Cllr. J Maddocks  
Cllr. R Gittins

Also in attendance:  
Barbara Pearce (Clerk)  
5 members of the public

### **16/2023 Apologies for absence**

**RESOLVED: To receive apologies of absence for this meeting:**

Cllr. G Barnes  
Cllr. J Letts

### **17/2023 Declarations of Interest**

**RESOLVED: that the following declaration of interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and under The Relevant Authorities (Shropshire Council disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 was received:**

Cllr. Clifton declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 7b.

Cllr. Mackay declared residing in The Fold.

As items are transactional not pecuniary both councillors remained in the meeting.

### **18/2023 Public Question Time and Participation**

5 members of the public in attendance regarding amendments to planning application

22/05449/FUL 9 The Fold, Childs Ercall, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 2EF.

Agenda item 9 concerning this application brought forward to this point.

Chair informed that PC had seen the amendment to the application from a flat roof to pitched roof and felt that they needed to respond. A letter to the planning officer has been produced. PC felt the new application had not addressed any of the issues raised in their previous objection. Details of the letter were discussed.

**RESOLVED: PC to object to the amended application and objection letter to be added to SC Planning Portal.**

4 members of the public left the meeting.

A member of the public asked if there is a footpath warden for the parish. There is not, Cllr. Gittins informed that SC has the statutory duty to maintain the rights of way and they do have an "Outdoors Team" with several wardens who can go out to investigate issues. The PC could delegate someone to feed back any issues to Cllr. Gittins who would forward this onto SC. Member of the public was referred to SC website for the footpath map and Clerk will also forward. This issue will be on next month's agenda and member of public was invited to attend. Member of the public left the meeting.

### **19/2023 Chairman's Announcements**

King's Coronation 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

CECA and Club organising celebrations together on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May. Cllr. Norfolk gave overview of arrangements as they currently stand. Outdoor/indoor event on the Jubilee Hall, depending on

weather, street party style, people to bring their own picnic, small gifts for the children, bar to attend. Event will be advertised nearer the date.

Chair has circulated to councillors NSAC notes regarding PC responsibilities for safeguarding vulnerable children and adults under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act. Chair and Cllr. Mackay have reviewed and found nothing new that concerns the PC directly. Point to take away is if any councillor finds any vulnerable child or adult being abused this must be reported to the appropriate authorities. NASC and SALC to work together to produce a Safeguarding Policy which the PC will adopt.

Chair informed that following initial replies from Lichfield Diocese regarding the state of the old school site there has been no further communication. Under Section 2.15 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 a property owner is required to take steps to address issues which adversely affects the amenity of an area due to disrepair. Chair has submitted a report on the property under the Act.

### **20/2023 Minutes**

**RESOLVED: To accept the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023 as being correct.**

### **21/2023 Councillor Matters**

Chair has reviewed SC's Draft Sustainable Affordable Warmth Strategy on behalf of the PC. SC are looking at the impact on health and wellbeing when residents can't afford to heat their homes and actions that can be taken to help with unaffordable fuel bills and to reduce carbon emissions.

Policy is concerned with making homes more efficient, both new builds and existing properties. SC have produced an Action Plan with 3 main objectives:

- Raising awareness of the importance of tackling fuel poverty and improving energy efficiency.
- To establish a pathway to zero carbon housing.
- To attract funding to deliver affordable warmth, potential grants, double glazing etc.

**RESOLVED: Chair to respond to SALC to say strategy has been reviewed and there are no comments from the PC.**

### **21/2023 Updates to issues recorded in the previous minutes.**

- a. Land Transfer to Parish Council (playing field):  
The final details of the lease have been agreed, the document will be signed by the PC once it arrives with Cllr. Mackay.
- b. Land Transfer Area around the Bus Stop:  
The updated plan has been returned to both sets of solicitors.
- c. Crow Lane Weight Restriction:  
Cllr. Gittins reported that police require further signage. Designs for these are due by end of February and then passed to Kier in March for installation in April.
- d. Following last month's meeting Chair has written to HuntaPac regarding their vehicles causing damage to Crow Lane, but no response received.

### **22/2023 Road Safety in the Parish**

PC continue to ask for guidance on what is the best solution to improve road safety on Eaton Road. Cllr. Gittins reported he has had no response from the Road Traffic Team and will escalate the issue.

Neighbourhood CiL is due with the PC Precept which will arrive in the new financial year at approx. £20K. In addition to the Neighbourhood CiL there is also the CiL Local fund at approx. £100k. If the PC feel there is a defined infrastructure project within the parish, then an application could be made to CiL Local for funding. PC to consider options:

Plan A – use the neighbourhood CiL at £20k to take care of small local issues and possibly make small grants. Also, to ring fence a proportion to contribute towards the application to cover the road safety on Eaton Road. Currently PC does not know what those measures would be and therefore the cost.

Plan B – Apply for larger grant from CiL Local for a defined infrastructure project to include the road safety project. Match funding would be required. The project would be to totally upgrade the Jubilee area, to make it multifunctional, possibly instal solar panels, upgrade the playing field and the adult outdoor gym possibly provide picnic area and chess tables.

Chair noted that this may be the last chance to apply for CiL Local as there are no further developments due within the parish. Also noted that it would be a large task, requiring a project group to be set up. Public consultation would be required to gauge interest from the community, fundraising and advertising would be required.

Cllr. Norfolk informed that CECA are currently applying for grant funding to upgrade the disabled toilet and make other improvements to Jubilee Hall.

**RESOLVED: Chair to organise a three-party meeting with CECA and Club to discuss further.**

### **23/2023 Planning Applications**

#### a. New Planning applications.

Reference: 23/00125/FUL (validated: 31/01/2023)

Address: Leyfos Plastics, Unit 2, Ollerton Business Park, Childs Ercall, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 2EJ

Proposal: Erection of storage building

Applicant: Leyfos Plastics (Mr Marc Wycherley, Unit 2, Ollerton Business Park, Childs Ercall, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 2EJ)

**RESOLVED: PC to object to application.**

#### b. Existing Applications

i. Withdrawn

None

ii. Refused

None

iii. Granted

Reference: 22/05000/VAR (validated: 04/11/2022)

Address: Ollerton Business Park, Childs Ercall, Market Drayton, Shropshire

Proposal: Variation of condition number 2 (approved drawings) attached to permission 22/01818/FUL to account for minor elevational and floor plan changes including lowering of roof heights to the starter units, amended external door configuration and internal layout W.C. and kitchenette arrangement

Decision: Grant Permission

Reference: 22/05446/FUL (validated: 12/12/2022)

Address: Wood Cottage, Hatton Road, Hinstock, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 2TX

Proposal: Erection of a new private stables (Replacement of existing stables located in a different area of the site)

Decision: Grant Permission

#### c. Any other planning matters

i. 22/03025/ENF Land Rear of the Birches

No further update.

ii. Eaton on Tern Solar Farm

PC has acknowledged a letter from developer regarding the offer of a community benefit. An agricultural assessment has been carried out showing the land to be 3A. Chair has raised a personal objection on the planning portal.

iii. Furbers

No further update.

IV. 22/05449/FUL 9 The Fold, Childs Ercall.

Covered at point 18/2023.

### **24/2023 Playground**

a. Maintenance report

Cllr. Mackay provided the monthly report, no issues found.

### **25/2023 Website Update**

Chair has contacted Judy Warrilow regarding history items to be added to the website and will discuss further.

Cllr. Norfolk reported that as thought at the previous meeting the current website is not fully compliant. The group felt that a decision was required as to whether to continue with a website at all or to find a new supplier who could provide a compliant site. There would be a cost implication to upgrading to the supplier who provides Hinstock PC's website, and the group are investigating if the site could be funded by local business sponsorship.

**RESOLVED: Website to be switched to new provider in the summer when current contract ends.**

### **26/2023 Parish Footpaths**

To be carried forward to March agenda.

### **27/2023 Highway Matters**

Nothing to report.

### **28/2023 To receive reports from County Councillor**

Local Plan Stage 1 hearings have been completed, Stage 2 hearings to follow in the next few months.

SC submitted 3 levelling up bids some time ago:

- Craven Arms
- Countywide Bus Scheme – did not pass
- Redevelopment of Shrewsbury – passed, regeneration projects.

### **29/2023 Financial Matters**

Members are asked to:

a. Receive and confirm the payment of the any items to be presented to the meeting:

- i. Southern Electric DD - £48.84  
Southern Electric DD - £15.68  
Southern Electric DD – £21.75     January (Direct Debit 16/2/2023)

- ii. Administration  
£272.02 – January  
£272.02 - February

iii. Aaron & Partners £559.20

**RESOLVED: The Clerk is authorised to pay these invoices.**

b. Reconciliation

	<u>Balance as at</u> <u>10/01/2023</u>	<u>Outgoings</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Closing Balance</u> <u>07/02/2023</u>
Treasurers A/C	£17,165.10	£3,224.36	£0.00	£13,940.74
Business A/C	£7,043.33	£0.00	£0.00	£7,043.33
Playground Account	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total PC available cash	<b>£24,208.43</b>	<b>£3,224.36</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£20,984.07</b>

**ESTIMATED CASH MOVEMENTS 2022/23**

2022/23 commitments	Remaining Annual running cost	£2,400.80	
	Contingency	£10,000.00	
	Un presented cheques	£917.49	
Future Income	VAT owed	£497.07	
Uncommitted cash position			<u>£8,162.85</u>

The above reconciliation was discussed and there were no questions.

c. Budget Setting.

Chair circulated first DRAFT of the 2023/2024 budget which was discussed. Chair and Clerk to update DRAFT once further invoices are received and paid and will bring details to next meeting.

**30/2023 Any New Matters Relating to The Parish Not Included on The Agenda**

Cllr. Mackay commented that there is less dog fouling going on.

Cllr. Longdon gave his apologies for the next meeting.

Date for Litter Pick set for Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February 10.00am.

“Speed Limits in the Parish” to be added to March agenda as it has been raised as an issue by a member of the community.

Cllr. Clifton has sourced a tree for the memorial for Jon Luscombe.

**31/2023 Date of next meeting**

**RESOLVED: that Members are asked to note the Parish meeting of Childs Ercall Parish Council is scheduled to be held on Wednesday March 15th 2023 (at 7.00 pm) in the Jubilee Hall.**

Signed ..... Date .....

Chair