

CHILDS ERCALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Childs Ercall Parish Council held on Wednesday 18th January 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. G Barnes
Cllr. J Maddocks
Cllr. J Letts
Cllr. R Gittins

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

1/2023 Apologies for absence

RESOLVED: To receive apologies of absence for this meeting:

Cllr. J Longdon

2/2023 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.

3/2023 Public Question Time and Participation

4 members of the public gave their views opposing Planning Application:

Reference: 22/05449/FUL

Address: 9 The Fold, Childs Ercall, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 2EF. Conversion of a garage and link style extension.

Chair informed that the PC supports good quality policy compliant applications and will consider public comments under Agenda Item 9a of this meeting. Members of the public left the meeting.

Chair has received interest from a junior football team wishing to use the pitch. There would be no opposition to this from the PC and the issue will be discussed further with the interested party when they come forward with more information.

4/2023 Chairman's Announcements

None.

5/2023 Minutes

No minutes from December 2022 as meeting cancelled due to illness.

RESOLVED: To accept the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th November 2022 as being correct.

6/2023 Councillor Matters

Cllr. Letts reported on work being carried out to upgrade the PC website. A working group has been formed consisting of herself, Cllr. Barnes and Cllr. Norfolk. The group are researching compliance of the current site and possibilities/costs of upgrading to new provider. The current contract expires in

August. Cllr. Norfolk is updating the website calendar to include events from Church, CECA and the Club. Cllr. Gittins informed that other Parishes in the area use the website provider Hugo Fox and the group will research this provider. Chair thanked the group for their work to date on the website.

RESOLVED: To add upgrading the parish website as an ongoing agenda item and continue to review.

Cllr. Letts raised that the public footpath across the airfield earlier in the month had been blocked and would be interested in finding a way of protecting the public routes around the Parish. Agreed that it would be useful for the community to know which footpaths are public and which remain open due to the goodwill of the landowner. Cllr. Gittins informed there is a severe backlog of applications in adding new footpaths.

RESOLVED: Issue to be added as an agenda item to next month's meeting. Cllr. Letts will provide a map of routes from SC website at next month's meeting for discussion.

Cllr. Clifton said that very large Huntapac vehicles are destroying banks on Crow Lane.

RESOLVED: Chair to write to Huntapac to inform them of the problem.

7/2023 Updates to issues recorded in the previous minutes.

a. Land Transfer to Parish Council (playing field):

The draft lease has now arrived. Cllr. Mackay thanked Cllr. Gittins for his work on the project. Cllr. Mackay has now gained quotes for the legal cost of the transfer.

RESOLVED: Agreed to appoint Clarkes Solicitor of Newport to act for the PC. Fee cost indicated at £400 + VAT plus £40 registration fee.

b. Land Transfer Area around the Bus Stop:

The plan has been agreed between the PC and landowner and was sent to the solicitor before the Christmas break. Clerk contacted Aaron & Partners for an update and requested that the fee be paid once the transfer is complete. Solicitors are waiting for land registry to agree the plan and have asked for the interim bill to be settled.

RESOLVED: PC to pay the Aaron and Partners interim bill.

c. Crow Lane Weight Restriction:

No further update, the consultation period is now over. Cllr. Gittins reported that project is on track and is with Kier for delivery. Cllr. Gittins will continue to monitor.

8/2023 Road Safety in the Parish

Chair continues to research in anticipation of CiL funding. Cllr. Gittins has met with an officer who advised that a pavement is inappropriate as it would be too narrow. Chair has requested advice on several occasions as to a suitable solution, whether this should be traffic calming, a crossing etc. Cllr Gittins will take this back to SC.

9/2023 Planning Applications

a. New Planning applications.

Reference: 22/05419/OHL (validated: 01/12/2022)

Address: Land East of Former Airfield, Eaton Road, Childs Ercall, Shropshire

Proposal: Installation of a new wooden pole and pole mounted transformer

Decision: No Objection OHL/Circular Notification

Notification only - No PC action required.

Reference: 22/05446/FUL

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)
Status: Pending Consideration
Not within Parish – No PC action required.

Reference: 22/05611/AGR
Proposed: Erection of a steel framed machinery store
LOCATION: Alford Green Farm, The Nook, Childs Ercall, Market Drayton, Shropshire.
Agricultural – No PC action required.

Reference: 23/00180/DIS
Address: The Old Village Hall Narrow Lane Childs Ercall Market Drayton Shropshire TF9 2BZ
Discharge of Conditions 3 (External Materials), 4 (Roof Details), 5 (Roof Rooflights) and 6 (Joinery) relating to Planning Permission 20/02557/FUI for the erection of single storey extension to side elevation, erection of a garden wall and seating area.
Status: Pending Consideration
Discharge of conditions against a consent in place – No PC action required.

Reference: 22/05732/FUL
Address: Daisy Bank Bembows Close Childs Ercall Market Drayton Shropshire TF9 2BF
Replacement of existing conservatory with a single story extension, loft conversion to include the installation of skylights to rear and alterations to existing windows openings.
Status: Pending Consideration.
RESOLVED: PC Neutral / no comment.

Reference: 22/05449/FUL (validated: 15/12/2022)
Address: 9 The Fold, Childs Ercall, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 2EF
Proposal: Conversion of garage into an office with a link style extension connecting to the dwelling
Applicant: Dr A Foot & Dr A King (9 The Fold, Childs Ercall, Shropshire, TF9 2EF)
PC discussed members of the public's comments.
Status: Pending Consideration
RESOLVED: PC to object to application.

b. Existing Applications

i. Withdrawn
None

ii. Refused
None

iii. Granted

Reference: 22/04773/FUL (validated: 20/10/2022)
Address: 1 Leafields, Childs Ercall, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 2DH
Proposal: Proposed single storey side extension and ramped access to accommodate ground floor bedroom, showering facilities and ramped access into property.
Status: Granted

c. Any other planning matters

i. 22/03025/ENF
No further update.

ii. Eaton on Tern Solar Farm
No further update.

iii. Furbers
No further update.

10/2023 Playground

a. Maintenance report

Cllr. Mackay provided the monthly report, no issues found. Two pitches are now marked out on the playing field and are being well used. Nets are standing up well to use.

11/2023 Highway Matters

Cllr. Gittins asked the state of Ollerton Lane following works carried out in November. PC agreed that it has been a good job. Cllr. Gittins asked that comments continue to be added to “Fix My Street” as SC seem to be responding in a timely manner to requests notified to this website. Cllr. Gittins to follow up on the collapsed verge on Newport Road repair which has now been reported for over 6 weeks.

Large pothole outside the Nook was repaired within a week.

12/2023 To receive reports from County Councillor

Cllr. Gittins gave an overview of SC budget reviews.

A far better-than-expected government settlement, around £14m increase, has been made to the council and a legally balanced budget has now been set for the next financial year.

Cllr. Gittins gave examples of “common sense” work being carried out around transforming budgets; pothole filling (reactive maintenance) has been transferred back in-house which is more cost effective. Work to improve foster care to keep children out of residential care and adult social care is also taking place which will also be more cost effective.

13/2023 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 - £50.16
Southern Electric DD - £15.84
Southern Electric DD – 22.23 November (Direct Debit 16/12/2022)

Southern Electric DD – £53.97
Southern Electric DD – £16.16
Southern Electric DD - £23.20 December (Direct Debit 16/01/2022)
 - ii. Administration
£247. 65 - November
£164.00 - Pay award back pay
£272.02 – December
 - iii. Idverde £2304.00 – Yearly Grass Cutting
 - iv. St Michaels Church £555.00 – Maintenance of Churchyard

RESOLVED: The Clerk is authorised to pay these invoices.

b. Reconciliation

	<u>Balance as at</u> <u>12/12/2022</u>	<u>Outgoings</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Closing Balance</u> <u>10/01/2023</u>
Treasurers A/C	£17,965.00	£799.90	£0.00	£17,165.10
Business A/C	£7,040.32	£0.00	£3.01	£7,043.33
Playground Account	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total PC available cash	£25,005.32	£799.90	£3.01	£24,208.43

ESTIMATED CASH MOVEMENTS 2022/23

2022/23 commitments	Remaining Annual running cost	£2,400.80	
	Contingency	£10,000.00	
	Un presented cheques	£827.02	
Future Income	VAT owed	£497.07	
Uncommitted cash position			<u>£11,477.68</u>

The above reconciliation was discussed and there were no questions.

c. Budget Setting.

PC discussed Precept. Application is due back by 31st January.

RESOLVED: PC to apply with 6% increase.

Chair is working on 2023/2024 budget and will forward information to councillors for consideration with the intention of finalising the budget at February's meeting. CiL payments are expected from the Old Coach Garage site and New Cottage. Thanks to Cllr. Gittins for his work on following these up.

14/2023 Any New Matters Relating to The Parish Not Included on The Agenda

It was agreed that an Acer tree planted on the green would be an appropriate memorial for Cllr. Luscombe. Chair has been quoted a cost of approx. £60 - £90 and Cllr. Clifton will investigate an appropriate specimen.

Shropshire Council Sustainable Affordable Warmth Strategy needs to be reviewed by 5th March. Chair agreed to carry out the review and pass headlines to Councillors.

PC have been invited to join "Parish UK Network" so that open-source data can be displayed nationally. Council felt some of the detail asked for is worrying, e.g. bank details. PC declined to join.

Monthly police visits have been dropped to quarterly visits with next one not scheduled until 26th April. Chair will invite PC Ambrose to the March meeting.

Subsidised tree scheme available. Chair passed details to Cllr. Clifton.

Items for the Church newsletter:

- Chair to announce that a unified calendar is now available on the PC website.
- To bring residents attention to "Neighbourhood Matters" website to report incidents and gain advice.
- To encourage residents to use "Fix my Street" for road repairs.

15/2023 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 February 15th 2023 (at 7.00 pm) in the Jubilee Hall.

Signed **Date**

Chair