MINUTES OF CHARLTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 8 AUG 26

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CHARLTON PARISH COUNCIL
Held on Thursday 8 August 2026 at 6pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Tom Blanden (Chairman), Marion Adkins, Jonathan Branton, Philip Thompson, David Rawlings; M Bromley Gardner (Clerk); Wilts Cllr Elizabeth Threfall; and no members of the public (one resident arrived at about 6.15pm and stayed for about one minute only).

1. Apologies. Cllrs Liz Garforth-Bles, Hannah Piet, Lord Suffolk. Also absent – Cllr Philip Baffour.

2. Public Questions/Points. None.

3. Declarations of Interest. None.

4. Urgent Items at Chair's Discretion. None.

5. Last Minutes. The Minutes of the PC meeting of 2 Jul 26, having been circulated in advance, were approved and signed.

6. Issue Raised to Planning Enforcement. The PC was briefed on the raising to Planning Enforcement of an issue concerning PL/2024/07679, the Shepherd's Hut at 60 Bisley. Conditions 5 and 6 of the permission were not being met and a number of elements of the layout were not in accordance with the approved layout plan, and notably guests' cars were being parked in front of the shepherd's hut in full view of anyone using Bisley lane, either as access to their residence or as users of the right of way. The issue had been raised and an issue reference number received. We would now have to wait while Enforcement did their work.

7. Excluding the Press and Public. PC decided to exclude the press and public from the next agenda item, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

8. Confidential Item. The PC considered a complaint from 2 members of the public. The complaint was not upheld. The Chairman would write to the complainers to inform them.

9. The Press and Public were readmitted (but no-one was there to enter).

10. Councillors' observations and items for the next meeting. The Clerk mentioned a couple of developments about his planning application one of which might result in a re-consultation; and that the subject of the village defibrillator would have to be on the next agenda as SWASFT would no longer provide a defib from mid-Feb when our current contract with them ends (but they would gift us the defib).

11. Dates of Next Meetings. 10 Sep, 5 Nov.

The meeting closed at 8.36 pm.

Chairman