

## MINUTES OF CHARLTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 6 JUL 21

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**Held on Tuesday 6 July 2021 at 7pm in the Village Hall**

Present: Cllrs Anne Hodgkins (Chair), Marion Adkins, Philip Baffour, Liz Garforth-Bles, Hannah Piet, Philip Thompson, Viscount Andover, Jenny Walker; M Bromley Gardner (Clerk); Wilts Cllr Elizabeth Threlfall at the end of the meeting; one member of the public.

1. Apologies. Tom Blanden. Wilts Cllr Elizabeth Threlfall would come later after attending another PC meeting first.
2. Declarations of Interest. None.
3. Urgent Items at Chair's Discretion. None.
4. Public Questions/Receipt of Petitions. None.
5. Minutes of Last Meeting. The Minutes of the PC meeting of 18 May 21, having been circulated in advance, were approved except for one correction to names of those attending; the Clerk would make the amendment and deliver to the Chair for signing in due course. The Chair gave a brief update on some actions completed: pub – Asset of Community Value registration now complete (5-year life); Charlton Bridge – issue raised at and acknowledged by CATG. There were no outstanding actions.
6. Finance. There was £21,055 in the account. The following payments were authorized:
  - cheque number 513, £36, WALC, Councillor Fundamentals training course
  - 514, £47.50, Clerk, for 50% of SLCC membership.
  - 515, £1200, Recreation Centre Committee (Heating).
7. Solar and Battery Planning Updates. The Chair updated the meeting. No decisions were needed.
8. Battery Storage Facility Complaint. The Clerk reported he had not been able to write the required letter after the last meeting. It would be written now. He reported that there had been email communication between local residents and the Site Manager about the lights coming on at night. **Action: Clerk**
9. Phone Box. In Tom Blanden's absence the item was not covered.
10. SID. In Tom Blanden's absence there was little discussion. However the Clerk mentioned that the current position (western position, looking east) would be improved with some pruning to the trees; the PC approved. **Action: Tom Blanden, Clerk**
11. Review Op FORTH BRIDGE. The PC agreed that the policy had worked well after the death of HRH Prince Philip (noting that covid had prevented a book of condolence being put in the church). The Clerk suggested for Op LONDON BRIDGE he might do the same to the bus shelter noticeboard. **Action: Clerk**
12. Risk Register Review. The Risk Register as at July 2021 was reviewed and approved. The phone box and the SID needed adding to the insurance. **Action: Clerk**

Chairman

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13. Brickell Bulbs. Jenny Walker reported that there had not really been much damage to the bulbs from the Gigaclear work - she thought they had been careful. However the PC voted to use £200 from the outstanding BKV prizemoney for more bulbs. Jenny Walker was asked to action this. **Action: Jenny Walker**

14. Annual Parish Meeting. After the delay in lifting covid restrictions, a new date was needed for the APM. Tue 20 Jul was selected. **Action: Clerk**

15. CSW. Anne Hodgkins gave a brief update. New volunteers were needed. Wiltshire Police had appointed a CSW Enforcement Officer, who would respond to intelligence from CSW reports to catch speeders where possible.

16. Climate Strategy. Philip Baffour gave a first brief update. He suggested an electric vehicle charging point on the Village Hall car-park might be a future contender. He was keeping an eye on the Wiltshire Climate Alliance website.

17. Planning. Applications considered since the last meeting: Five Lanes Solar Farm, Purlieus Farm Battery Storage Facility, Land at Braydon convert barn to dwelling – no objection to any but comments submitted. Minety Solar Farm – adjusted solar panel layout plus new/amended reports. Applications decided by Wilts Council since the last meeting: Shortlands 47 Moor Lane double car-port and garden shed, 3 Suffolk Close single-storey extension; both approved. Earlier Planning Applications not yet decided: Minety Solar Farm; Village Hall air-source heat pump. Report of current Planning Applications: demolish 3 glasshouses Charlton Park

18. Councillors' Observations/Points for the Next Meeting. Phone box; BKV result.

19. Dates of Next Meetings. 7 Sep, 2 Nov.

The meeting closed at 8.12pm