

Churt Parish Council
Clerk to the Council
Mrs Dawn Barrow

**Minutes of the Meeting of Churt Parish Council
held on 18 October 2017
in the Churt Pavilion at 7.30 p.m.**

Present

Churt Councillors: David Crossley (chairman), Kevin Lower, Roger Rowe, Bob Cordell,
Gerald Stiff, Eunice Burch

Surrey County Council: 1
Waverley Borough Council: 0
Clerk to the Council: Dawn Barrow
Members of the Public: 2 (Stephen Morgan and PC Will Davies)

17/98 Chairman's Welcome

Cllr Crossley welcomed all to the meeting.

Cllr Harmer aired concerns over the finances at SCC, requiring savings to be made over next few years.

PC Will Davies called into the meeting to say all was quiet in Churt and recent burglaries carried out have been tied to a gang of 3 arrested in W Sussex. He encouraged everyone to sign up to the 'In the Know' website. Neighbourhood Watches still thriving but Police are short on resources to advise parishes of burglaries.

Stephen Morgan lives in Lerryn adjoining the Rec. The hedge overhanging his garden spans 2 houses and sits on Council land. Hedge has been undercut resulting in it collapsing onto the pavement. He had works carried out in the Summer but without contacting the Council. (see agenda item RGT 17/76)

PC Will Davies and Stephen Morgan left the meeting.

17/99 Apologies for absence

Cllrs Gay and Petty

17/100 Disclosure of Pecuniary and other Interests

None

17/101 Minutes of the Meeting of 20 September 2017

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 September 2017 were **AGREED** by all. **Proposed** by Cllr Rowe, **seconded** by Cllr Cordell.

17/102 Report of the Clerk to the Council

- 1) Village post office opened 20 September
- 2) Insurance renewed with Inspire on LTA for 3 years from 30 Sept 2017 at £1826.79 year 1
- 3) Audit completed with BDO
- 4) Grasstex have confirmed their prices for 2018 will remain the same as 2017

17/103 Committees and Portfolio responsibilities

17/103.1 Community and Environment

17/103.1.1 Crime and Disorder (RC)

Nothing further to report

17/103.1.2 Village centre portfolio (RC)

Hedge has been cut overhanging Star Hill. Clerk to thank owner.

Cllr Cordell to check Christmas lights are working.

Clerk to remind SCC ref. trees that require felling on Barford Lane.

17/103.2 Roads and Transport

17/103.2.1 Parking update in village centre (KL)

Parking scheme drawn up by SCC passed Local Committee and now out to consultation. To be discussed at SCC meeting on 8 December. Waverley generates twice as many parking requests as any other Borough. Parking team positive about everything we submitted but able to make suggested changes in consultation period.

Have received a further email from Laura Toursolopoulos. Cllr Lower and Laura to meet school head in November. Cllr Harmer stated the school can put in a parking request at any time. In order to get a 20MPH zone you have to demonstrate average speed is less than 24MPH. Felt that rumble strips not really working, write to Stuart Copping about improvements.

Letter received from John Burrill re traffic problems down Hale House Lane. White lines are fading but they do not indicate it is a pedestrianised area. Marked for dual use. Purpose of highway is for the passing and repassing of traffic. Anyone can contact the Police if concerned about the behaviour of motorists.

Cllr Crossley to respond to John Burrill, copied to John Petty who also voiced concerns.

17/104 Financial Matters

17/104.1 Payments for authorisation -September 2017

Proposed by Cllr Lower, **seconded** by Cllr Rowe and **AGREED** by all

Appendix 2 - Payments for September 2017 - circulated

17/104.2 Budget Update and Income report -September 2017

Noted.

Appendix 3 - Expenditure v Budget - circulated

17/105 Planning

17/105.1 -To note and comment on current planning applications:

None.

Recent Applications:

WA/2017/1469 Orchard End, Green Lane, Churt - pending

WA/2017/1490 Lea Meadow, Jumps Road, Churt - approved

WA/2017/1575 Hop House, Churt Road, Churt - pending

Update on **Borrow House Farm** - Decision pending but worst outcome would be as a warehouse site.

17/106 Website

Proceed with Laura T. to rebuild website and Vicki Kirk will then maintain as webmaster, time and remuneration to be increased as social media is included. Clerk to arrange initial meeting with Laura, Vicki and Cllrs Lower, Crossley and Stiff

17/107 Review of Meeting regarding Local Plan Part 2

Cllrs Crossley, Gay, Lower, Stiff and the Clerk met with Waverley planners on 6 October. Churt well protected because of designation of SSSI, Green Belt and AONB. Felt that Green Cross Farm is wholly inappropriate as a possible development site.

17/108 Review of meeting with Highways England concerning tunnel closures.

Clerk and Cllr Crossley attended a meeting at HE along with other local Parish chairmen and clerks. Follow up meeting to discuss the inadequacies of emergency closures of the Hindhead Tunnel. Processes in place for planned closures, not so good for emergencies. Suggestion that traffic cones are moved from beyond Portsmouth to Kier's Merrow depot. Requires specifically trained personnel to put out cones however
.Confusion over symbols used on emergency signs.
Requesting a further meeting with CEO of HE.

17/109 Review of SALC conference held 12 October

Attended by Cllr Crossley and the Clerk. Lengthy talk on budget cuts and recycling. De minimus monies available for roads.

17/110 Christmas meal and village cheer event.

Christmas meal booked for 4 December 7.30pm Duke of Cambridge.
Village Cheer 9 December in village hall, Cllr Burch to oversee catering. Ian Christie has kindly offered to make the mulled wine. Cllr Crossley to personally invite all newcomers to the village.

Other matters:

None

There being no other business the meeting of the Churt Parish Council closed at 9.10pm. There then followed a meeting of the Churt Recreation Ground Trust (See separate Minutes).

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Signed:

Date:

Chairman

The next meetings of the Churt Parish Council and Churt Recreation Ground Trust will be held on **Wednesday 15 November 2017 at 7.30pm in the pavilion.**