

CHESTFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 JULY 2016

Present: Parish Cllr Steve Bailey (Chairman)
Parish Cllr Chris Brealy (Vice Chairman)
Parish Cllr Andrew Rabey
Parish Cllr Chris Ellis
Parish Cllr Tricia Chapman
Parish Cllr Paul Clayson
Parish Cllr Philip Lennard
Ms Amanda Sparkes, Clerk to the Council
35 x residents
KCC Cllr Mike Harrison

49. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Cllr Bailey welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Parish Cllr Pat Gibson (annual leave).

Cllr Bailey advised that Neal Fowler had resigned from the parish council on 01 July 2016. He asked that a public record of thanks be made to him for all his work while on the council, and wished him all the best in the future with neighbourhood watch. Cllr Bailey explained that due process was being followed and the "10 electors' notice" had been posted through the parish with an expiry date of 28 July 2016, when the Clerk will then learn whether an election has been sought, or if the parish council may look to fill the vacancy.

- 50. MEMBERS' INTERESTS** – Cllr Lennard declared an interest in Grasmere Pasture, item 10, due to him living in Grasmere Road and being on the Grasmere Village Residents Association committee. Cllr Chapman also declared an interest in this item, due to her living in close proximity.

51. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 JUNE 2016

Cllr Brealy proposed and Cllr Lennard seconded and the Minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting and the Chairman duly signed them.

- 52. ACTION LIST APPENDIX 1a** - The list was revisited.

53. POLICING

Cllr Rabey advised that some residents had attended the pre-meeting surgery and spoke about the growing problem with speeding vehicles around Reeves Way, B&Q, McDonalds, and the Old Thanet Way. Cllr Rabey agreed to speak again to the police. He urged residents to take note if possible of any offending number plates.

54. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Neal Fowler, Vice Chairman of the Canterbury and District Neighbourhood Watch had provided a report to the meeting.

1. Monthly Newsletter - The local monthly NHW newsletter (kindly compiled by Maralyn Whamond) has been distributed to our village coordinators.
2. There have been thefts from parked vehicles in Whitstable over the last couple of weeks, mostly at night. The thieves are targeting small commercial vehicles particularly, going for power tools etc, but they are not fussy and will take anything of value that is left on display.
On 10 July about 21:30 a driver was flagged down in their car in Swalecliffe by a man in his late 20s early 30s saying he had put petrol in his diesel car! Awaiting AA, but needed money, said he only needed a pound. Less than five minutes later in that same area neither he nor the car were anywhere to be seen. But then along The Chestfield Road he was seen again and he tried the same trick. There was certainly nothing wrong with the car but it was a plausible scam. The car was dark green/grey in colour and fairly new.

3. General warnings have been issued to NHW in the area by the police and / or the National Fraud Intelligence Bureau over the last month.
 - a. Online shopping websites are being utilised by fraudsters to advertise vehicles for sale which do not exist. After agreeing to purchase the vehicle via email, buyers then receive emails purporting to be from Amazon Payments and/or Amazon Flexible Payment Service stating that their money will be held in an 'escrow account' (a bank account held by a third party, used as a temporary holding account during a transaction between two parties- for a 7 day 'cooling off' period). Once happy with the purchase the email indicates the money will be released to the seller, therefore offering 'buyer protection'. In reality these emails are fraudulent and do not come from Amazon. The bank accounts are controlled by fraudsters.
 - b. Fraudsters are placing fake letter boxes on residential properties to harvest the mail. Residents are sometimes unaware of the fake letterbox as the fraudsters will periodically remove the item, which may leave notable markings. The mail is then used to open various lines of credit with financial providers in the name of the innocent resident.
 - c. Kent police has been notified by NHW of a number of door step callers operating in our area. The callers are males, selling dusters and cleaning products. They carry a large black holdall bag and do not have their identification on display and may not when challenged. Many of these callers are claiming to be from Probation or rehabilitation services.
 - d. A message was received by a NHW member purporting to come from Virginmedia Business advising of restricted access to their account and requesting they log on via a provided link and input security data.
 - e. An approach was made to an elderly gentleman living alone. He was cold called by so-called 'UK Call Guard' service offering a 'Caller Protection Service' which would cost £198.99 as a one-off payment by direct debit. He signed up over the phone and then received a letter reiterating the offer and telling him 'when you receive a nuisance call make a note of the company name and report it via 0844 808 2198'. This number costs 5p per minute and takes a long time to access. A letter was then received from 'Eazipay' a company which sets up direct debits, although there was no payment schedule listed. The £198.99 could thus have been taken at any time. Fortunately, relatives managed to cancel the whole process before any money was taken.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING – Several residents had attended to object to a planning application CA/16/01409/FUL- Land rear of 145-149 Chestfield Road, for a proposed new dwelling. There are concerns over increased flooding, flash floods, surface water and waste water drainage. KCC Cllr Harrison commented that he is Chairman of the KCC Flood Risk Committee and some local development in Chestfield have major flood mitigating measures. It is a large proposed property off a small access road, which will cause logistical problems for large vehicles. There will be an impact on a lot of individuals and their privacy. Cllr Bailey advised residents can only comment on the actual submission not on future additions, for example. The site is not in the conservation area but the access track is.

The deadline for representations is 29 July 2016. Residents may submit comments either online on the CCC planning portal, or by email or by letter.

The Chairman encouraged residents to do individual responses, but also for them to hold a meeting themselves collectively to strengthen their responses. The Clerk explained that with enough objections, the application would go to a development management meeting to be determined by Councillors and this would give some opportunities for residents to speak. KCC Cllr Harrison urged residents to call the planning department and ask for a site meeting with the officer.

The Clerk explained that the parish council needed a delegated authority to make a comment to meet the deadline which is before the next meeting.

Another resident questioned whether the parish council would speak at the Canterbury District Local Plan hearing with the Inspector on 19 July 2016. The Chairman explained he has a seat booked at the table, but will not speak about the actual development as it is not in the parish. But Chestfield Parish Council will comment on concerns over access, increased traffic and the impact of increased risk of flooding off site. The resident commented that The Ridgeway (a

public bridleway) which is in the village, will also be affected by increased pedestrians, and there may be an increased risk of anti-social behaviour.

The meeting continued.

55. **KCC CLLR REPORT**

KCC Cllr Mike Harrison explained he had stood down as the Chairman of KCC after a busy year. He felt that Kent is a respected council. He said he had spent three days on the North Norfolk coast where acres of land are falling in to the sea.

On 13 July 2016 the UK will get a new Prime Minister.

Cllr Harrison advised that he has given £1,000 from his Member's Fund to the Chestfield History Society this week.

He and his wife have been invited to a 'do' on 23 July on HMS Kent, which he felt was a wonderful opportunity.

Cllr Harrison advised that there is a £4.5m funding pot for "Find and Fix" problems on the roads – report these either directly via Cllr Harrison or the Clerk.

Finally, Cllr Harrison advised that he has handed in his resignation to the Leader today (11 July) after 22 years to stand down as a councillor in May 2017.

56. **FEEDBACK FROM THE QUEEN'S 90th BIRTHDAY 2016**

The parish council marked the Queen's 90th birthday in 2016 with a celebration event/Fun Day at the cricket club on Sunday 26 June 2016. The Chairman explained that the day before and the morning of the event was very wet. He asked to record thanks to the cricket club for their efforts to make the event possible and for allowing the use of their facilities. The event was let down at the last minute by a couple of stalls. Advertising had been through the front of the magazine and on the parish noticeboards. Cllr Clayson and Cllr Bailey had also put up fluorescent posters up on the road but these were removed by someone. Cllr Bailey advised that the council may think of other ways to advertise next time. He recorded thanks to Cllr Lennard and his wife for the treasure hunt, which was very enjoyable. Thanks too, to all the other helpers.

£385.50 was collected on the day. This does not include a piece of original artwork donated by the Clerk and auctioned on the day which raised a further £80 for the Kent Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance, which was given to them on the day as a separate donation.

For a similar event next year, the parish council will set up a subcommittee to discuss lessons learned, etc. For example the unadopted road associations could have held a stall to raise funds for their own associations.

The Clerk recorded thanks to Cllr Bailey for all his hard work prior to and on the day. Thanks also to all the other councillors who helped in many ways, along with residents, notably Cllr Bailey's wife Karen.

The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress attended the event. The Clerk completed the online survey for CCC after their event for the civic team.

The Clerk explained that the KSSAA representative on the day suggested that the parish council may like to request that their donation cheque be made in to a 'big cheque' and a presentation of it alongside the helicopter as a photo opportunity be requested. Cllr Bailey suggested that the parish council run another quiz night before then at the cricket club to bump up funds. The Clerk will set a suitable date and do the relevant actions. The remaining tombola prizes from the Fun Day may then become raffle prizes.

57. **PLANNING**

Councillors considered planning applications in Appendix 2 previously circulated. Decisions reached and latest information now attached as Appendix 2 to these minutes.

Affordable housing for local people - Chestfield Parish Council led a *call for Canterbury City Council to introduce a local connection criteria in new development sites, that are not rural exception sites, and with a sizeable element of affordable housing, so that at least a percentage*

of these are allocated to tenants with a local connection to the local area - where there is a local desire for this to be introduced in any consent of that development.

18 of the other parish councils in the Canterbury district also wrote to CCC.

A report is going to the Rural Area Member Panel on 20 June 2016. The Clerk had given a copy of the report to all the parish councillors. Disappointingly, it advises that the rural connection preference was deemed unfair and this element was removed from the Housing Allocations Scheme Policy in September 2013. Consultation results suggested the majority of respondents preferred the homes to go to those in greatest need instead. The report suggests that to change the Allocations Policy would raise issues of fairness and this could cause discrimination and the city council could be challenged legally. To introduce rural and town preference would also limit mobility.

Appeal lodged land rear of 19-21 Chestfield Road

CA/15/02648/FUL – Erection of two detached dwellings with associated access and parking
Appeal Reference W/16/3149982

NOTED that an Appeal has been lodged with the Secretary of State for this refusal.

Details of the appellant's grounds of appeal and the city council's Statement of Case is available to view on the city council's website. These have also been circulated to councillors. Neal Fowler prepared an excellent response on behalf of the parish council before his resignation, and this has also been uploaded and sent to the Inspectorate.

Appeal lodged land to the rear of 23 Chestfield Road

CA/15/02034/FUL – Erection of a detached single-storey dwelling with parking and access
Appeal Reference W/16/3150238

NOTED that an Appeal has been lodged with the Secretary of State for this refusal.

The appeal is to be decided following the consideration of written statements from both parties and a site visit by an Inspector.

Canterbury District Draft Local Plan

Documents since the end of the first stage hearings are now at this link:

www.canterbury.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/local-plan/

The Inspector has released information for the continuation of the Local Plan Examination at <https://www.canterbury.gov.uk/planning/local-plan/emerging-local-plan/local-plan-latest-news/>

He intends to split the Examination into 3 days in July (commencing 19 July) to primarily cover the 5 year housing land supply/ housing matters and then over 2 weeks from 13 September 2016 for the other outstanding matters.

Grasmere Pasture meeting

RECEIVED a writeup of an informal without prejudice meeting held with Grasmere Pasture development representatives attended by the Clerk and Chairman on 15 June 2016. This included an architect, a Kitewood representative and an engineer.

363 people attended the public exhibitions, and 118 completed feedback forms. A further 50 emails were received direct to Kitewood rather than the completion of a feedback form.

Transport, drainage and access are the main concerns.

KCC has asked that the scheme deliver a 2.5 classroom primary school on the site. Kitewood have met with KCC local education authority – the proposals are now to look to meet this need on site. Kitewood would not build it but would gift some land with a financial contribution or a contribution may be given to another local school to increase capacity.

The final design and layout is still in progress. The request to accommodate a primary school on the site will reduce the employment provision rather than the housing numbers. Changes since the public exhibition include :

- a wider green buffer along the rear of the unadopted road Grasmere Road properties
- parking for the shops

- open connections from the development site sideway onto The Ridgeway bridleway on the Ridgeway boundary

An application is not allowed to cause an increase in flooding on site or off site. The mitigation measures (SUDS ponds) try to mimic how water works at the moment – it falls naturally downwards to the Brook. Water will be held back in the SUDS ponds and then released slowly – at a 2 year rainfall rate (Queue bar rate) – even in a 100 year storm. They have not got the finer details yet, just the quantum volumes. They gave an assurance not to make issues with the Brook worse.

Access is a primary concern of residents and the parish council. There is only one primary access from Reeves Way for vehicles. This is the only opportunity for vehicular access. An emergency access is proposed onto Richmond Way – this will be restricted to prevent it being used as a rat run – it will only be accessed by emergency vehicles. This emergency access point could however be used by pedestrians and cyclists.

There is no bus provision provided within the scheme.

There is a need to mitigate increased traffic generation as a result of the development. The key points to mitigate are: the roundabout by Sainsburys; the second roundabout at the junction with Chestfield Road and Maydowns Road; and the service road at Clover Rise/Foxgrove Road roundabout (which would become signalled at all junctions. This mitigation may strengthen the parish council's previous argument to reduce the speed limit on this stretch from 60mph to 40mph, because there is a material change to the junction.)

Kitewood are progressing their EIA application. They are going to submit a hybrid application (which will include detailed phase 1 housing) – probably in July. If development is permitted, the intention is that the rate of delivery will be 100 units per year – so a 3 year build.

Grasmere Village Residents Association submissions to CCC re Grasmere Pasture

RECEIVED copies of the Grasmere Village Residents Association submissions to CCC regarding the inclusion of Grasmere Pasture in the draft Local Plan for housing – A document with 20 reasons why the site should not be included, and a document challenging the legality of the process CCC followed to identify and include the site.

Cllr Bailey commended Dr Jackson and his committee for an excellent document. With that information the parish council RESOLVED that the Clerk and Cllr Bailey should attend the Inspector Hearings on 19 July 2016, although any comments the Chairman may make should concentrate only on the issues that affect the parish.

Cllr Bailey asked for a vote on whether Chestfield Parish Council should ask the Inspector to remove the site from the Canterbury District Local Plan – because it is considered an unsuitable site and any development has too much negative impact on Chestfield residents. Cllr Lennard and Cllr Chapman had already declared an interest and refrained from voting, Cllr Breally declared an interest at this point as a director of a strategic site in the Canterbury District Local Plan, and the Clerk also noted that she clerks for Westbere Parish Council who have two omission sites that could potentially be included in the Local Plan if Grasmere Pasture were removed, to keep up the required housing numbers. Cllr Ellis proposed, Cllr Rabey seconded and Cllrs Bailey and Clayson were happy that the request for removal be supported.

Meeting with the Rural Housing Enabler

RECEIVED a writeup of a meeting with the Rural Housing Enabler held on 2 June 2016, to discuss the parish council's Housing Needs Survey in context with other areas completed. The survey had a response rate of 37% (the average is 30%). The identified need for affordable housing in Chestfield was lower than average, and in the Rural Housing Enabler's opinion there is no need for the parish council to try and achieve a Rural Exception Site

58. FINANCIAL MATTERS

As there is no meeting in August, Cllr Ellis proposed and Cllr Lennard seconded and it was RESOLVED a delegated authority to sign cheques in interim

CONSIDERED a request for a grant of £50 from Chestfield Cricket Club for printing materials to boost numbers. Cllr Chapman proposed and Cllr Rabey seconded that £50 be awarded. A grant request of £500 from Chestfield History Society for a 2017 Calendar and towards the first part of a history of Chestfield book was deferred to the next meeting. RECEIVED the bank statement for June 2016, and RESOLVED the signature of a councillor other than the Chairman thereon; NOTED a payment of £16.33, for the Plusnet Internet account was taken by direct debit on 18/06/2016. NOTED a payment of £101.12 taken by direct debit on 5 July 2016 for the BT quarterly bill dated 21 June 2016.

Hosting and upgrading of parish council website

EiS is the company responsible for the website hosting service. In previous years, the funding to provide web and email services to parish councils was provided to EiS from central KCC budgets. Due to the ongoing financial challenges facing KCC, there might not be the budget available to fund these services and EiS will need to recover the costs from individual councils, at a rate of £240 per year (website hosting at £15 per month and email forwarding at £5 per month.) Final confirmation is awaited.

59. AUTHORISATION OF ACCOUNTS

The Clerk presented finance sheets for cheque payments requiring authorisation totalling £1,022.68, together with an additional sheet totalling £3,572.98. It was RESOLVED that the financial matters and accounts be authorised for payment.

60. CLERK'S REPORT

Chestfield Cricket Club invitation

The Chairman of the cricket club contacted the Clerk to thank the parish council for its letter of support regarding their new roller grant application. This was successful and it has been ordered and should arrive shortly. On Thursday August 18th, the club will have an all day match v the Marylebone Cricket Club as part of their cricket week.

The cricket club have invited two parish councillors to the match with a lunch being served at 2pm at the clubhouse. Cllr Bailey and Cllr Rabey will speak to each other about attending this.

KCC highways tracker survey writeup

In September and November 2015, parishes received the KCC Highways and Transportation Tracker Survey. The Report is now available to view <http://www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/strategies-and-policies/transport-and-highways-policies/highways-transportation-and-waste-tracker-survey-report>

The Lord Mayor's Award

Each year people in the district are asked if they would like to nominate someone for an award to recognise their service to the community. The Lord Mayor's Award is aimed at people who quietly 'work behind the scenes' to help others and who are often overlooked as they do not seek publicity or thanks for their efforts. This year's award closes for nominations on 13 July.

Information about the Award or supplies of leaflets from the Lord Mayor's office on 01227 862 080 or email lordmayor@canterbury.gov.uk . (website <https://www.canterbury.gov.uk/lordmayor>)

Introducing a better quality transport service

The NHS Canterbury and Coastal Clinical Commissioning Group have launched a new and improved patient transport service across Kent and Medway. New measures to raise standards are being introduced, with greater emphasis on customer care and getting patients home from hospital promptly.

The service, which is for people who cannot get to their NHS funded hospital or clinic appointment in any other way because of their medical or physical condition, is provided by G4S. (who tookover from NSL whose contract expired on 30 June 2016).

G4S's performance will be measured against a Patient Charter, developed by people who use patient transport services in Kent and Medway. There are tighter timescale targets for picking up and dropping off patients, and for how long they spend in transit.

Patients have been involved in preparations for the start of the new service and in making it easier for the PTS eligibility criteria to be applied in a completely fair and consistent way.

The bookings line number is 0800 096 0211 - a freephone number open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

For further information about patient transport in Kent and Medway, including alternatives for people who are not eligible for patient transport, please visit www.km-pts.co.uk

The Clerk has added an article about this in the September magazine and will run the number on the useful numbers page in future editions too.

Two new benches for the play park - The benches have been ordered in June, with a lead in time of around six weeks. (Verbal update at the meeting, if any)

61. **SHRUB BED IMPROVEMENTS AT THE PLAY PARK**

As reported at previous meetings the parish council has resolved to work with CCC to improve the shrub bed at the Chestfield Road play park. CCC have some budget from April 2016 and the parish council RESOLVED at their April parish council meeting, that match-funding be offered, as the area is considered worthy of investment and is a focal point within the centre of the village.

After a site meeting, there is now a document to show which trees will be removed in phase 1 – these are the dead, dying or diseased ones, or species that are inappropriate in this location. It was agreed to set aside the second weekend in October 2016 and make this a community project for improvements. Aidan confirmed that Serco/CCC will supervise the event and that Serco will assist with the uninsurable things (like use of chain saws) and cordone off the site where needed.

The trees to be removed will be recycled into logs where appropriate for woodburners and also log stores for ladybirds etc on site.

The rest of the wood is to be recycled by Serco chipping on site – and then re-used on the shrub bed – this will improve the soil and reduce the waste to be taken away.

NOTED that the Clerk subsequently spoke to the previous President of Chestfield Rotary Club at the annual electors meeting held on 21 March 2016, and she said they may have 30 or so people that would be happy to get involved in the shrub bed project and offer assistance. Cllr Lennard explained that the new president is Nick Robinson and Cllr Rabey offered to speak to him about volunteers assisting.

The Clerk will run an article in the September magazine asking for volunteers to help with the weekend project over 8th and 9th October 2016. Cllr Rabey and the Clerk will need to meet to finalise CCC risk assessment documents.

Line of deceased trees in play park

Whilst the play park is owned and managed by Canterbury City Council the front of it is actually KCC owned - as in the old highways verge. The KCC fault reporting portal does show the trees along this stretch as KCC owned. There is a line of very tall trees alongside the car parking area, closest to the fenced play area, which are in decline. Fungus is taking hold in them, and there is also some dead wood in them. Some dead wood has been dropping on to the car park.

A line of Magnolia trees (maybe ten or so) could be planted here. The CCC officer gave verbal permission to pursue this option. The Clerk raised an enquiry on the KCC portal on 8 June 2016. (Reference No 218244). KCC have replied and confirmed that the trees do need attention and that they would like to speak to the parish council about a financial contribution for replacements. The parish councillors were all happy that the project proceed on a 50/50 match funding basis. Cllr Bailey offered to speak to KCC Cllr Harrison about possible Member funding. (Remember the whole area here is in the conservation area, so tree improvements need Canterbury City Council tree works permissions.)

62. **CHESTFIELD VILLAGE SURVEY 2016 (PARISH PLAN REFRESH)**

The Clerk has co-ordinated volunteer distributors to get most of the roads in the village covered for distribution and some streets are to also have door-knocking collection by some of the volunteers. Around 400 surveys have now been printed and given to distributors to deliver. There have been some returned and the Clerk and Neal Fowler have so far input 80 into the analysis spreadsheet. This project is ongoing.

The Clerk explained that the analysis takes about an hour to input 10-12 forms and asked for assistance. Cllrs Brealy, Ellis, Lennard and Chapman all offered to do a session with her.

63. **JOINT NETWORKING MEETINGS**

The parish council is facilitating the village's residents' associations' representatives to meet to network, and discuss common items such as the upkeep of unadopted roads. A third meeting was held on 27 June 2016.

The Clerk is to research application conditions and write to the Head of Planning about what may be possible as a condition re road reinstatement. She will also produce a model template for Residents Associations to use for future applications in unadopted roads, for example to ask CCC to ask the applicant for a construction management plan to cover routing of vehicles, tradespersons parking and positioning of skips and building materials etc.

The Clerk and Cllr Ellis are also to meet with a CCC officer re the use of small refuse vehicles for unadopted roads – and do site visits of them to highlight the issues. Fairlawn and The Leas are already services by smaller refuse collection vehicles.

64. **SPEEDWATCH**

Since the last meeting the Clerk has organised the speed gun's annual service and calibration at Tunbridge Wells. There have been two checks which have recorded 16 vehicles travelling between 38-60mph. Cllr Rabey advised that he has had feedback that Specials and speed enforcement officers have attended the village recently on 3-4 occasions.

65. **HIGHWAYS**

NOTED a Radfall Road road closure from 27 June to 4 October for gas main replacement works (junction of Broomfield Gate to the junction with Radfall Ride). The most affected residents are those living in Bromfield Gate, Dukeswood, and Radfall Road. The Clerk has been in email correspondence with many of them.

Grasmere Road

From Chestfield Road to the bridge (the adopted section of Grasmere Road) the concrete road surfacing is very poor. The Clerk offered to speak to the highways liaison steward about it, and also draw attention to Cllr Harrison mentioning tonight about the Find and Fix funding and whether this may be a possible project for that.

Residents' petition regarding flooding issues at Radfall Road

As reported since the November 2015 parish council meeting, the Clerk has been chasing for investigations by The Business Performance Team at Kent County Council, County Hall, Maidstone, and The Land Drainage Team at Canterbury City Council

The Clerk explained there is still no update but she continues to chase.

Right hand sign for Radfall Hill to alert drivers to the junction at Dukeswood

Ongoing – As previously reported, the parish council would like to have a right hand sign prior to the junction of Radfall Hill with Dukeswood. The parish council was told they needed to appoint a traffic consultant to try and achieve this. The Clerk contacted an officer at Amey and this is still being progressed. There has been a technical reply that the Clerk needs to speak to the officer about to understand the issues.

66. **ENVIRONMENT**

Flytipping

Cllr Brealy advised that there has been loads of fly tipping near the Share and Coulter public house. Some people were caught on CCTV but unfortunately no number plate was recorded. He

witnessed some flytipping outside the pub and reported it to the enforcement officer and rural policeman.

Access to the ball court at Whitstable Rugby Football Club

The letter detailing the parish council’s concerns about lack of public access to the ball court, to the committee of the Rugby Club was sent. This was discussed at their committee on 11 January 2016. A letter was sent to the Clerk after the meeting. A further letter in response to the continued concerns about access was drafted and ratified by councillors by email and sent on 4 April 2016. As a committee response is still awaited the Clerk was asked to send a further letter to the Chairman, Secretary and President.

Cllr Bailey explained that he has received an invite to the AGM on 19 July as a member of the Club which he has accepted, but he has made it clear that he would not be attending as Chairman of the parish council.

The meeting closed at 10.05p.m.

Signed: Date:
Chairman

Please note these Minutes remain as draft Minutes until they are approved by the parish council at their next parish council meeting

**CHESTFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING REPORT, 11 JULY 2016**

APPENDIX 2

New Applications

18	CA/16/01266/FUL – 108 Maydowns Rd Two-storey side extension	The parish council has no comments.
19	CA/16/01217/FUL – 24 Longtye Drive Proposed three-storey detached dwelling following demolition of existing dwelling (Cllr Rabey went through details of the application with some residents prior to the meeting and was also going to visit some more on 12 July 2016.)	Chestfield Parish Council received communication from neighbouring residents concerned about the height of this proposed dwelling and the means by which surface water will removed from the site. Whilst the applicant’s D&A statement admits that the roof line will be ‘a fraction higher than adjoining properties’ there are no dimensions provided to quantify this. From the plans submitted it would appear possible that the height difference could be in excess of 750mm which the Parish Council feel to be very significant and possibly detrimental to the amenities enjoyed by adjoining property owners. Also the plans do not show detail of the means by which surface water would be removed from the site. The area suffers surface water issues during wet weather, so the Parish Council would wish to draw attention to the need for provision of sustainable drainage system detail to be included if the application is to be granted.
20	CA/16/01310 Chestfield Farm, The Drove, Chestfield, Whitstable, CT5 3NX Variation of condition 18 (sustainable homes) of planning permission	The applicant explains that - Credits have not been awarded for the ecology section as this would need an ecologist to be appointed. It is understood that the

	CA//14/02715/VAR for the application for the variation of condition 19 (drawings) attached to planning permission CA/14/00021/VAR; to allow reduction in the level from code level 4 to code level 3.	ecology of the area is not going to be increased due to only a basic garden being provided to the dwelling with typical garden planting. It is hoped that the Council looks on this application favourably and it has been demonstrated that the applicant is doing all they can to create a sustainable dwelling. Unfortunately in this instance it has not been possible to achieve code level 4 although all of the primary aspects of a sustainable dwelling have been met. The assessment is only slightly under the code level 4 threshold. Propose no comment from Parish Council
21	CA/16/01396/FUL – 8 Birkdale Close Proposed single-storey rear extension	A delegated authority is required to meet the deadline of 29 July 2016.
22	CA/16/01409/FUL- Land rear of 145-149 Chestfield Road Proposed erection of dwelling	A delegated authority is required to meet the deadline of 29 July 2016.

Notifications

CA/16/00851/FUL – Minarto, the Drove First floor rear extension	Granted by CCC
CA//16/01210 Chestfield Farm, The Drove, Chestfield, CT5 3NX Relocation of an existing pole and installation of a new pole, to allow for a new development.	Granted by CCC
CA//16/00323 49 Chestfield Road, Chestfield, CT5 3LD Two-storey side and rear extension with balcony to the rear.	Granted by CCC
CA//16/00870 . Dogs Trust Canterbury, Radfall Road, Chestfield, CT5 3ER Details submitted pursuant to condition 04 of planning permission CA/15/02454/FUL relating to ecology.	Refused due to insufficient information provided
CA/16/00894/FUL – Queen’s Acre, Broomfield Gate Erection of cabin for holiday let	Refused by CCC
CA/16/00903/FUL - 33 Grasmere Road, Chestfield Two-storey extension to side with single-storey extension to rear	Granted by CCC
CA/16/00971/FUL – 58 Grasmere Road Erection of timber framed porch to front	Granted by CCC
CA/16/01046/FUL – 23 Longtye Drive Erection of two-storey rear extension and single-storey side extensions	Granted by CCC

Enforcement - Mobile home sited in field off Radfall Road

The field on Radfall Road hill, between Radfall Ride and Broomfield Gate, had a mobile home sited on it, which CCC’s Enforcement team were contacted about on 10 July 2015. A Planning Contravention Notice (PCN) on the 13 January 2016. The caravan has now finally been removed.