

# **Chislet Parish Council**

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 7.30 pm at Hersden Community Centre**

**Present** : Cllrs Fee (in the Chair), Chandler, Higglesden, Prosser, Stoward, Warnock, Appleby & Cassidy

**In attendance** : Mr. G. Eaton, Clerk to the Council, and one member of the public

**Action by:**

### **1 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Rose

### **2 Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman**

It was unanimously agreed to elect Cllr Fee as Chairman

It was agreed by a majority to elect Cllr Chandler as Vice Chairman

### **3 Declarations of Councillor's Interests in items on the Agenda**

There were no declarations of Cllrs interests in items on the Agenda

### **4 Public discussion**

The member of the public complained about Chislet being used as a 'rat-run', and the poor quality of the paint used for white lining the roads

### **5 Minutes of the last Meeting**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2023 were unanimously approved

### **6 Matters arising**

There were no matters arising of note

## **7 To discuss correspondence received**

The email from Zurich (Parish Council's insurer) re litter picking cover was discussed

## **8 To consider Planning and Enforcement matters**

### New Planning Application

**23/00779** – erection of visitors' centre amenity building  
**Land to south of Port Farm, Island Road, CT3 4DA**

The Parish Council objects to this application. Our objections are detailed in our comments on the previous/related application 22/02189 which are on the website

### Decided planning applications

There were no decided planning applications to note

## **9 To consider Finance matters**

### The following accounts were approved for payment -

		£
Chq Inland Revenue	Clerk's tax	100.40
Chq Zurich	Annual insurance	477.91
Chq Hersden Community Centre	Room hire	14.00
Chq G Eaton	Defib pads/batteries/back pay	286.09
Chq J Fee	Printer inks	26.94
Chq D Chandler	Coronation bench	224.00
Chq J Caddick	Grass cutting	300.00

### The monthly Standing Order was noted and approved –

	£
G Eaton, Clerk's salary & expenses	465.52

### The bank balances were noted -

Treasurers account	£ 26181 - 24.03.23	(including the 2023/24 Precept of £15000)
Fighting Fund	£ 1225 - 11.04.23	
Business Bank Instant	£ 3793 - 11.04.23	

### **10 King Charles III Coronation bench**

Cllr Chandler reported that he had bought the bench and delivered it to Mike Wilkinson who had kindly offered to install it on the Village Green

### **11 Any Other Business**

There was a general discussion about a Parish Plan, litter picking and grounds maintenance, and it was agreed that these items should be included on the July Meeting Agenda

There was also a discussion about reforming the Joint Parishes Group. This would be neighbouring Parishes forming an alliance to jointly tackle common problems such as speeding and littering. The Clerk was asked to write to the other Clerks asking that this be included on their next Meeting Agenda - Cllrs Fee & Chandler to attend the Meetings and speak to this proposal

**Clerk**

Cllr Higglesden reported that the defibrillator would remain sited at The Royal Oak PH, Upstreet

### **12 Date of next Meeting**

It was agreed that the next Parish Council Meeting would be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 7.30pm at Hersden Community Centre

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 8.40 pm