

## CHALVINGTON WITH RIPE PARISH COUNCIL

### DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF

3<sup>rd</sup> March 2014

held at The Hayton Baker Hall, Ripe

PRESENT: Cllr Webb (Chairman)                      Cllr Allcock  
          Cllr Dunbar-Dempsey                      Cllr Shonfeld  
          Cllr Ward                                        Cllr Brass

ATTENDING: District Councillor S Harms, WPC Jackie Baldwin Charles, PCSO Kelly Levers and A Hillman (Clerk). There were also six members of the public in attendance.

88. PUBLIC SESSION – WPC Baldwin Charles and PCSO Levers reported;

- an increase in the number of scams in the area and urged residents to be careful.
- that crime is generally low in the parish. Reported crimes include a possible burglary in Deanland and anti-social behaviour. The anti social behaviour was noisy dogs.
- PCSO Levers visits the Parish most days.
- Sussex Police is merging in part with Surrey Police and changes are taking place within Wealden to merge the current five districts down to three.
- anti-social driving and drunk driving in the Parish can be reported via Operation Crackdown.
- when there are roadwork problems on the A22 or the A27 it is possible to divert traffic and avoid Langtye Lane but when the problems are accident related there is not always time.

The Chairman thanked WPC Baldwin Charles and PCSO Levers who then left the meeting.

District Councillor Harms reported that;

- Wealden District Council has agreed a 0% increase in next year's Council Tax.
- Wealden won the Judicial Review and the Core Strategy stands.
- the Planning Applications for Kitty Hawk Farm and Church Lane are going to the Planning Committee later this week.

Mrs Garner asked if Southern Water will upgrade pipe work in Ripe when it upgrades the sewage plant. The Clerk will ask them.

The meeting then opened.

89. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors English sent his apologies which were duly accepted by those present.

90. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS - The minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 3rd February 2014 were approved and signed as a true and accurate record.

91. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST: There were no disclosures of interest or changes to the Register of Interest.

92. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – For consideration;

There following applications were considered;

WD2014/0323F and 0323LB – Eckington House, Deanland Road – Demolition of timber conservatory on side of property to be replaced with larger brick built library with rooflight. Partial demolition of late 19<sup>th</sup> Century brick built lean-to at rear of property, to be rebuilt and extended to form utility room. Construction of brick built porch to kitchen in likeness of porch historically in this location. Minor internal alterations to later stub partitions, removal and reconstruction of one section of wall and infilling of doorway along with installation of sanitaryware to form new bathroom – **Chalvington with Ripe Parish Council has no objections to this application. The works are a good example of preserving yet updating older housing.**

WD2014/0183FA – Lime Barnett, Darp Lane – Refurbishment of an outbuilding – Chalvington with Ripe Parish Council has no objections on any planning grounds to this application – **Chalvington with Ripe Parish Council has no objections to this application as long as the outbuilding remains ancillary to the main building.**

93. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE MEETINGS – The Clerk is to attend SSALC Clerk's Networking Day on the 4<sup>th</sup> March and will report back to the next meeting.

94. CLERK'S REPORT ON MATTER'S ARISING – All matters' arising are covered elsewhere on this agenda.

95. FINGERPOST SIGNS – The Clerk is drafting a contract for the Parish Council to consider. The draft contract has been approved by Contractors and is currently with ESCC for consideration. The Contract aims is to find a way for Parishes to maintain their fingerpost signs, budget efficiently and save money.

96. VILLAGE PLAN UPDATE – A meeting for the Working Party is to be arranged, the results of which will be reported back to the next Full Council Meeting.

97. COMMUNITY ASSET REGISTER – Councillors requested more information about the Register. The Clerk will circulate the link to the Wealden District Council website.

98. CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT – The following cheques were approved for payment;

Mayola Music – Insurance £98.83	Cheque Number 100860
A Hillman – Wages February	Cheque Number 100861

99. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS – Councillor Brass asked if developers can provide a play park for the children in the parish when they build ten extra houses here.

Councillor Webb asked if anyone knows of any plots of land for sale following a request from someone who would like to move to the village.

There being no further questions, the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

