

CHAPPEL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT
CHAPPEL AND WAKES COLNE VILLAGE HALL, CHAPPEL.
on Wednesday 10th October 2007 at 7.30 p.m.

In the Chair: Cllr. Mrs. S. Chamley.
Present: Cllrs. Mr. R. Belcham, Mr. C. Cordingley, Mr. A. Langley, and
Mr. P. Neubauer
Clerk: Mr. K. Butcher.
Also Present: Fourteen members of the public.

07/104 Welcome and Apologies for Absence. The Chairman welcomed those present and outlined the purpose and procedure for the Public Questions part of the meeting. Apologies had been received from Borough Cllr. Chillingworth and Cllr. Ingram. The Clerk had also been informed of the possible absence of Cllr. Sexton but failed to relay the information to the meeting.

The formal Council Meeting was suspended to allow:

07/105 Public Questions. Prior to the meeting the Clerk had received five notifications of questions including a written list of five questions from Dr. Baker which had been “signed for” by the Clerk.

Mr. Twyford asked questions relating to traffic flow and parking near the Primary School.

Mr Wilson asked about street lighting and the maintenance of a hedge in Swan Street.

Mrs. Underwood had also intended to comment on street lighting, and withdrew her question.

Dr. Baker requested procedural detail relating to work undertaken on the Sports Field. The fifth question submitted by Dr Baker was, in fact, asked by Mr. Crozier and related to the appointment and payment of Solicitors on a legal matter.

Mr. Bedford asked questions relating to the Football Pitch.

07/106 Colchester Borough Council Councillor and Police Reports. No reports were received.

The formal Council Meeting recommenced.

07/107 Declarations of Interests. There were no Declaration of Interest made.

07/108 Confirmation of Minutes – meeting held September 12th 2007.

The minutes of the meeting were considered and two minor errors corrected.

Resolution 46/07 That the draft minutes of the Council meeting held on 12th September 2007 be accepted as being a true record.

Proposed: Cllr. Cordingley Seconded: Cllr. Belcham. For: 4 Abstention: 1

07/109 Chairman’s Briefing. Cllr. Chamley informed the meeting of a forthcoming Quiz Night to be held in the Village Hall. Information regarding the rota of activities of the Speed Watch campaign were announced. A brief resume of Council achievements over the past year was given. Details of the forth coming NAP meeting were given – 24th October at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

07/110 Correspondence. The Clerk confirmed that details of all recent mail received had been circulated to Councillors. Attention was drawn to the Essex County Council’s “Guide to

Development Contributions and the Provision of Community Infrastructure”, a consultation document that was taken by Cllr, Chamley for further consideration.

07/111 Financial Matters. The Clerk informed the meeting that the second instalment of the Precept/Grant had been received from Colchester Borough Council in the sum of £5588.50
Two invoices were presented for approval:
Village Ranger – September Pay Claim - 16 hours at agreed rate.
The Levings Charity – rent for the play equipment site. Councillors were reminded that the payment was subject to review next year and was currently £115 as agreed in 2004.

Resolution 47/07 That the presented invoices be approved for payment.

Proposed: Cllr. Neubauer . Seconded: Cllr. Belcham. For: All.

07/112 Planning Matters. Two planning applications 072391 LB and 072433 , both relating the demolition of an existing rear outhouse and erection of granny annex at Holly Cottage, Swan Street were considered.

Resolution 48/07 That the Clerk be instructed to send comment expressing no formal objections top Planning Applications 072391 LB and 072433.

Proposed: Cllr. Belcham. Seconded: Cllr. Chamley. For: All.

07/113 Members Questions. No questions had been submitted.

07/114 Car parking on Village Green. Cllr. Cordingley presented a report to Council of progress to date, and recommended that the idea of a “land swap” arrangement be pursued.

Resolution 49/07 That Council continue to investigate the idea of a land swap arrangement to facilitate the provision of a car park at the entrance to VG113 and that Cllr. Chillingworth be requested to investigate procedures at Colchester Borough Council on behalf of Chappel Parish Council.

Proposed: Cllr. Cordingley . Seconded: Cllr. Chamley. For: All.

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.18 P.M.
DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 14TH NOVEMBER 2007.**

SIGNED CHAIRMANDATE