

CHARSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday, 19th March 2019

Present: Councillors Pedgrift (Chair), Moor (Vice Chair), Murray, Godwin, Owen Williams and Pam Hembra (Parish Clerk)

Andrew Reynold, Environmental Protection Officer, SCDC, Tony Fryatt, East Suffolk DC and 7 members of the public

		Action
1.	Apologies and Approval of Absence	
	Councillor Laird Apologies were received from Councillor Robin Vickery	
2.	Declarations of Interest	
	Recreation Ground – Councillor Pedgrift	
3.	Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held on 29th January 2019	
	Minutes were approved and signed by Councillor Pedgrift	
4.	Progress Reports for Information or Matters Arising	
	<p>In relation to the Public Space Protection Order recently received for the Recreation Ground, Andrew Reynolds, the Environmental Protection Officer, came to talk to us about how the legislation was to be implemented and enforced. He left us with the appropriate forms to complete should anyone be aware of any dog owners allowing their animals to foul the Recreation Ground or allowing their dogs to run free with or without the owners.</p> <p>The governance issues with the Village Hall have now been resolved and the appropriate action is in hand.</p> <p>The recent winds precipitated the cutting of the overhanging tree at the end of The Street. This problem has now been resolved but there is also a problem with a eucalyptus tree nearby which has been reported.</p> <p>Suffolk Highways anticipate working on the bridge repairs at the end of The Street in the Spring, but emphasised they were extremely busy.</p>	
5.	Points from the public – A chance for the public to raise matters of interest relevant to Charsfield.	
	A resident mentioned the sign at Southview which had fallen down. This had already been reported.	
6.	Reports	
6.1	County Council	

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6.2	<p>District Council</p> <p>Councillor Fryatt mentioned the six representations put in by Charsfield Parish Council in relation to the Local Plan.</p> <p>Upcoming elections – 2nd May 2019.</p> <p>East Suffolk Council will be writing to Parish Councils outlining the new structure and function of the Planning Department.</p>																																																																		
6.3	<p>Recreation Ground</p> <p>The Parish Council need to make an application on behalf of the Recreation Ground for grant monies from the old play scheme.</p>	PC																																																																	
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7.	<p>Speeding/SIDS</p> <p>This year's subscription to SpeedWatch is due for renewal. The radar gun is being recalibrated and there may be a cost involved in this. Would it be better to get a new gun rather than recalibrate it?</p> <p>Could the sign be left out overnight?</p>	Clerk																																																																	
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	9.2 To note receipt of income as listed below: None																																																																		
	9.3 Insurance – Village Hall – this was agreed and also to make an additional payment to add holding of cash as this has never been covered.	Clerk																																																																	
	9.4 Bank reconciliations were agreed and are attached to minutes.																																																																		

<p>10.</p>	<p>Park Properties Suffolk Wildlife, who have been working on the Reptile Mitigation Plan for the new development, mentioned that Park Properties have said they are not interested in co-operating with the village due to the attitude of the Parish Council. Do we need to write to Planning to say Park Properties are not complying with planning conditions? Would it be worth contacting David Houchell or even having a meeting with the Developers and the Council? Chair and Clerk to write contact East Suffolk District Council.</p> <p>Some of the residents have pointed out that the Park Properties signs are very large and untidy.</p>	<p>Chair/ Clerk</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p>Local Bus Service Charsfield have been without buses four or five times in the last three weeks due to roadworks. Although First Bus have promised to let us know when this will happen, the bus company have not been informed properly in the first place. We will write to Open Reach to say their contractors are not keeping the relevant authorities informed and to SCC and First Bus. There appears to be no local telephone contact for First. Some of the work on the roads is already sinking or coming apart.</p> <p>Many people would like a bus service to Wickham Market. We have tried before but will try again. The bus service is totally subsidised by SCC.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>12.</p>	<p>Sizewell C Councillor Fryatt has been part of a joint meeting re Stage 3. There has been some movement against what EDF have put forward. He was disappointed to note that nothing would be coming in by sea and any rail option does not look to be likely either. The A12 is likely to be very busy and there are big concerns re the B1078 and the park and ride scheme for workers travelling to Sizewell. Lorries should not come through B1078 and hauliers would be taken to task if they do. There could be a large increase in cars travelling through the B1078 and being routed via Valley Farm and even with the minor improvements proposed this will be a very difficult route. Much of this traffic will come through Charsfield.</p> <p>Pylons will be erected outside Sizewell as they are no longer going underground. On a positive side 900 permanent jobs will be created on site.</p> <p>Offshore windfarms are coming to this area as well. A third of electricity in the country will be generated from this region.</p> <p>EDF will be having weekly meetings with the local authority.</p> <p>Comments from the Parish Council need to be in by 29th March. A group will meet at 10 am on Friday to discuss this.</p>	
<p>13.</p>	<p>Flower Show Donation Councillor Pedgrift proposed a donation of £20 be made to this year's Flower Show. This was seconded by Councillor Moor.</p>	

14.	Charsfield Recreation Ground – Charsfest Donation Councillor Moor proposed a donation of £20 be made to this year’s Charsfest. This was seconded by Councillor Owen Williams.	
15.	Emergency Planning – update This has now been approved by the District Council. We need to ensure everyone has a copy who needs to have one. The full document needs to be on website. Final version to be sent out – all previous copies to be destroyed. A notice will also be placed in the Parish Magazine and sent out on the email lists. A vote of thanks was proposed to Councillor Moor for all her hard work.	Clerk
16.	Telephone Kiosk The sand blaster will be asked to take the glass out.	
17.	Grit Boxes The Parish Council are completing the application form for one bin and are obtaining the necessary residents agreement.	
18.	Date of Next Meetings	
	28 th May 2019 to include Annual Parish Meeting 16 th July 2019 17 th September 2019 26 th November 2019 21st January 2020 17 th March 2020	
	The meeting closed at 9:10 pm.	