

**Churt Parish Council**  
*Clerk to the Council*  
Mrs Dawn Barrow

**Minutes of the 'virtual' meeting of Churt Parish Council  
held on Wednesday 14 April 2021  
at 7.30 p.m.**

**Present**

Churt Councillors: David Crossley (Chair), Myra Johnson, Dominic Raeside, Lisa Martin, Sally Shorthose, Roger Rowe, Eunice Burch, Katy Law

Surrey County Council: Cllr Harmer  
Waverley Borough Council: Cllr Adams  
Clerk to the Council: Dawn Barrow  
Members of the Public: 1 (Richard Bourne)

**21/35 Chairman's welcome**

Cllr Crossley welcomed all to the meeting, read out a letter of condolence and invited all to stand for a Minute's silence in memory of HRH Prince Philip.

Richard Bourne stated he had nothing to add regarding Jumps Road.

Brian Adams WBC reported he had received an interesting email from Zak Ellwood regarding changes to the computerised planning system and further reorganisation. They have recruited 2 new managers and the new structure should be in place by 19 May.

Next WBC Council meeting scheduled to take place on 20 April, it is proposed that the 2 planning meetings continue for the East and West areas.

David Harmer updated all on roads. Hindhead to Beacon Hill now completed. Elstead Green to Bel and Dragon ongoing.

Regular tunnel closures mean heavy lorries cutting through the middle of Thursley and potentially getting stuck at Dye House Lane. Delays to completion of Tilford East Bridge have had knock on effects. Plus the lime surfacing has failed so being redone.

Roadworks from Hale House Lane to Hyde Lane will take place in early May, working after hours and in early evenings.

Number one project in next financial year will be the zebra crossing in Churt, £100,000 allocated. Cannot confirm date as equipment to do the works has to be sourced.

**21/36 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were given from Cllrs Potts and Petty.

**21/37 Disclosure of Pecuniary and other Interests**

None

**21/38 Minutes of the virtual meeting of 17 March 2021**

The Minutes of the virtual meeting held on 17 March 2021 were **AGREED** by all. **Proposed** by Cllr Johnson, **seconded** by Cllr Burch.

**21/39 Report of the Clerk to the Council**

- 1) Full online banking with Lloyds set up from 1 April 2021
- 2) Invites sent out 6 April for virtual annual assembly on 21 April
- 3) Precept received 6 April 2021 in the sum of £50,908

**21/40.1 Community and Environment**

### **21/40.1.1 Report from Environment Working Group (MJ)**

All 10 Walks are now published on the website, proving very popular. Countryside Code has been updated, 10 years since last update. Someone has put notices up at The Flashes reminding people about the Code. Cllr Johnson has launched a nature news series via an infographic for April, asking people to send in photos.

An inter parish environment group meeting has been held including Witley, Womersley and Thursley. Discussed ways in which they could all collaborate plus also liaise with WBC and SCC on matters such as speeding enforcement. They questioned how environment and climate considerations could be included in planning responses in order to help the net carbon zero focus.

Earth Day scheduled for April 22, theme is 'Restore our Planet'. Cllr Johnson will ask people about their pledges.

Cat food sachets and crisp packets can be recycled and converted into cash. Cllr Johnson asked if we could have a separate bin for sachets?

### **21/40.1.2 Village centre portfolio (RR)**

Shops and pub now open. Broken sign on Redhearn Green needs replacing.

### **21/40.1.3 Crime and Disorder (DR)**

Stakeholder bulletin now sent out monthly.

## **21/40.2 Roads and Transport**

### **21/40.2.1 Jumps Road Parking and Sculpture Park (KL)**

Cllr Law apologised for missing the last 2 meetings. She has been in touch with Jack Roberts regarding the yellow lines along Jumps Road. Work due to take place late Spring/early Summer.

The Sculpture Park has appealed against the enforcement notice. There will be a private hearing. Cllr Adams stated that WBC are pressing for a date but no response. The SP are currently selling tickets, 70 on the hour every day. They are fully booked and the tickets are non-refundable. This will lead to greatly increased numbers and enormous parking problems with cars displaced to surrounding roads.

Report came in to Clerk from Sandy Lane residents association on 28 Jan. Passed to Cllr Law. A very professional report highlighting their concerns with anti-social behaviour, trail bikes and 4 x 4's on the BOAT. Some people are parking on Sandy Lane and walking to the SP.

SCC are working on solutions to the splash area off Sandy Lane. Little feedback yet from Frensham PC.

### **21/40.2.2 Cycling and pedestrian matters (LM)**

Nothing to report.

## **21/41 Financial Matters**

### **21/41.1 Payments for authorisation - Mar 2021**

Mar accounts **Proposed** by Cllr Raeside, **seconded** by Cllr Rowe and **AGREED** by all.  
Appendix 2 - Payments for Mar 2021 - circulated

### **21/41.2 Budget Update and Income report - Mar 2021**

Noted and agreed.

## Appendix 3 - Expenditure v Budget - circulated

### **21/41.3 Individual monthly costs exceeding £500 for Mar 2021**

£1169.88 Clerk's salary for March.

£831.36 Employer's NIC

### **21/42 -To note and comment on current planning applications (LM)**

**Report circulated in advance of meeting by Cllr Martin.**

5 applications this month.

1) Highfield House, Jumps Road, partially destroyed by fire. Visible from footpath running from Hale House Lane to the scout hut. Neither support nor object on planning grounds. Cllr Johnson raised a couple of points. The house is fully visible from her house. She supports the like for like replacement. She wishes to support the recommendation in the bat survey that there is no bright external lighting. She will respond to WBC with a personal comment as bright lights contravene the Dark Skies Policy in an AONB. Lights should have either a timer or be motion activated. Other lighting requires planning permission.

2) Borrowstone House - extension to residential dwelling, within 40% rule

3) Warrens, HHL - certificate of lawfulness covering change of use to a dwelling

4) Butts Farm - pool house has been disallowed by WBC. Cllr Johnson stated we need to look at the environmental objectives as some new pool houses are of an inappropriate size. Rules changed Dec 2020 in relation to outbuildings. Cllr Martin to look into this.

5) Community Centre - Cllr Martin has spoken to concerned neighbours regarding the displacement of parked vehicles and construction traffic. Cllr Adams to speak to the WBC housing department.

Cllr Crossley advised that the inspector has granted permission for the poly tunnels and cut flower business at Green Farm

### **21/43 Pond Lane**

Clerk updated all on the meeting with the neighbours, our plans for the land and an update on the legal process to register the land. Cllr Johnson will ask her neighbours for a quote in order to carry out a full environment survey of the land.

### **21/44 Freedom of the Parish recipients and certificates**

Clerk has found suitable certificates, c£60 per certificate plus framing costs. Personalised online. Initial recipients to be Cllr John Petty and Olivia Cotton. **Proposed** by Cllr Crossley, **seconded** by Cllr Shorthose and **agreed** by all.

### **21/45 Party in the Park September 11**

Committee has been set up under the chairmanship of Richard Bourne comprising Cllr Crossley, the Clerk, Marion Mitchell and Hugh Trotter. Other sub-committee members are Julia Deacon, Eunice Burch, James Newman, Jo Corfield, Marion Stevens (school) and Simon Fraser. Event will take place on the Rec. 2.30-5.30pm on Sept 11. Band, ice creams and hay bales all booked. People will be asked to bring their own chairs and picnics, Churt Club to sell drinks. Cllr Crossley suggested the Parish underwrite the costs, Cllr Martin suggested a ceiling of £750, **Proposed** by Cllr Crossley, **seconded** by Cllr Raeside, **all in favour**.

### **Other matters**

Cllr Raeside asked if we could do another push to ask people to register their interest for Grayshot Gigabit. However, the Government has now released more funds to support Openreach.

Cllr Crossley said he was happy to stay on as Chairman at the annual meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup>. We have a very stable Council that works well.

Cllr Martin stated she now has a churt.org email address. Cllr Crossley to circulate all councillors to see who else would like one.

**Cllrs Harmer and Adams plus Richard Bourne left the meeting.**

There being no other business the virtual meeting of the Churt Parish Council closed at 9.30pm. There then followed a virtual meeting of the Churt Recreation Ground Trust (See separate Minutes).

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Signed:  
Chairman

Date:

**The next 'virtual' meetings of the Churt Parish Council and Churt Recreation Ground Trust will be held on **Wednesday 5 May 2021 at 7.30pm. Agenda and access codes to follow.****