

Minutes of Little Cheverell Parish Council Meeting

held on Wednesday 3 July 2019 at 19.00 hrs in the Village Hall.

Present: Wes Parfitt, Chair; Anne Venus, minute taking; Dennis Heather, Responsible Financial Officer; Sue Ivey; one member of the public.

1. Approval of the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 1 May 2019. Minutes approved and signed by the Chair.

2. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Parish Council Meeting held on 1 May 2019. Minutes approved and signed by the Chair.

3. Apologies: Bill Mowatt.

4. Public Forum: The member of the public raised the issue of the traffic along Westbury Road.

5. Westbury Road Traffic.

5.1. SpeedWatch. The Council has received no reply from the police about setting up a Community Speedwatch Team despite several requests. It was agreed the Council would issue an appeal for volunteers by way of fliers in the September's News and Views and approach the police again if sufficient numbers came forward. In the meantime, other villages' speedwatch teams would be contacted for any information they could provide.

5.2. Speed Indicator. No information has been received from Erlestoke about their speed indicator. The 40 mph speed limit sign on the Westbury Road, on which the speed indicator would be placed, still has not been repaired, despite having been reported some months ago. Highways Dept. has been contacted for a list of their approved contractors.

6. Low Road Traffic. A complaint was received about noisy motorbikes at the north end of Low Road. The Council felt this was an isolated incident and that they could do very little. The Chair will write to the complainant.

7. School Lane Clearance.

Cllr Ivey reported the work to clear the mud along the middle of the lane would start next week.

8. Footpaths. The Council was informed that Highways Dept. approval would be needed to install a new gate or stile. It was decided therefore that the Chair would write to the owner of the obstruction seeking a different solution.

9. New Councillor. Anne Venus announced her retirement from the Council after 10 years service. Wilts. Democratic Services Dept will be contacted to set in motion the procedure for a replacement and a flier will be sent out in the September's News and Views seeking volunteers. The Chair thanked her for her long service.

10. Financial Matters.

10.1. Approval was given for Cllr Venus to be reimbursed £38.50 for drinks purchased for the social prior to the Annual Parish Council Meeting

10.2. Cllr Dennis Heather has replaced Anne Venus as the responsible Financial Officer. Cllr Heather said he would enquire about opening a savings account for the Council.

11. Parish Steward. Cllr Ivey reported work continues as normal.

12. Planning Applications. None received.

13. AOB. Anne Venus said that as she was no longer a Cllr she would volunteer to be the auditor at the end of the financial year.

14. Date of next meeting - 4 September 2019.

15. the meeting closed at 20.20 hrs.