

Churt Parish Council

Clerk to the Council

Mrs Dawn Barrow

Minutes of the meeting of Churt Parish Council held on Wednesday 19 June 2024 at 7.30 pm.

Present

Churt Councillors: Stephen Wright, Mike Shorthose, Dominic Raeside, Sally Shorthose, Pippa Harrison,

Surrey County Council: 1 - David Harmer (part)

Waverley Borough Council: 1 - David Munro (part)

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Members of the Public: 0

24/82 Chairman's Welcome

Cllr S Shorthose welcomed all to the meeting and invited the guests to speak.

Cllr Munro confirmed that further to planning approval the community centre would be demolished soon. WBC are still working up a plan for the redevelopment of Crossways Cottages. The application will go to full planning committee. Cllr Harmer asked to be advised when the eventual number of units is known. Will this still cause a traffic issue?

WBC are putting together a community assets transfer policy and are keen to transfer various assets to parish councils so CPC needs to define what we already own.

Cllr Munro will be distributing a progress report via a flyer to all in his ward.

Cllr Harmer advised he had received a letter from a Churt resident asking why the zebra crossing had not been upgraded? He updated us on the unsuccessful result following the recent Western Commons meeting when an upgrade to the zebra crossing was agreed as the favoured project.

24/83 Apologies for absence

Cllrs Spence, Johnson, Morgan and Martin (CPC)

24/84 Disclosure of Pecuniary and other Interests

None

24/85 Minutes of the annual meeting of 15 May 2024

The Minutes of the annual meeting held on 15 May 2024 were **AGREED** by all. **Proposed** by Cllr M Shorthose, **seconded** by Cllr Harrison.

24/86 Report of the Clerk to the Council

- 1) End of year audit took place 16 May
- 2) Churt Beavers litter picked 12 June

24/87 Report from the Environment Committee

More holly pulling will take place in Wicket Wood in Sept/Oct

24/88 Village strategy (MS)

Cllr M Shorthose reported on a good response to the presentation at the village fete. Lots of input from young people, noting in particular the lack of a frequent bus service. Cllr M Shorthose will now draw up a strategy questionnaire with an expanded list of pertinent issues. Cllr Martin has reviewed the comments received and put them into a spreadsheet. Number 1 issue- transport and roads followed by services and recreation, then cycleways and public transport.

Need to incorporate a GDPR disclaimer at the bottom of the questionnaire, Cllr Harmer will send through a standard form of wording.

24/89 Village centre and Honda parking issue (PH)

Feedback from fete was that it was one of the most successful ever. There were more stalls than usual and Sian Gray did an amazing job with publicity. Parking was slightly chaotic.

Service the following day in the church to celebrate 50 years of the fete. Church now offers a drop in café and collection service for hearing aid users.

Letter written to Honda, not particularly positive response but number of cars has decreased to 2/3.

Hanging baskets will prove difficult from a maintenance perspective. Clerk suggested plastic flowers?

24/90 Roads and Transport

Nothing to report.

24/91 Crime and Disorder (DR)

Nothing to report.

Cllrs Harmer and Munro left the meeting.

24/92 Financial Matters

24/92.1 Payments for authorisation - May 2024

May's accounts were **proposed** by Cllr M Shorthose, **Seconded** by Cllr Wright and **agreed** by all.

24/92.2 Budget Update and Income report - May 2024

Noted.

24/92.3 To note individual monthly costs in excess of £500

10 May - UK Timber Ltd, £669.23, new recreation ground bollards.

24/92.4 Sign and Minute Section 1 of annual return AGAR 2023/2024

Signed and Minuted, Proposed by Cllr M Shorthose, seconded by Cllr Wright and agreed by all

24/92.5 Sign and Minute Section 2 of annual return AGAR 2023/2024

Signed and Minuted, Proposed by Cllr M Shorthose, seconded by Cllr Wright and agreed by all

24/92.6 Review annual internal report (part of AGAR)

Reviewed and agreed by all

24/92.7 Review internal auditor's report and note any recommendations

Reviewed and noted.

24/92.8 Proposal to reappoint Tim light of Lightatouch as internal auditor for 2024/25

Proposed by Cllr Raeside and seconded by Cllr Harrison and agreed by all

24/92.9 Adoption of revised Financial Regulations for Local Councils

Proposed by Cllr Wright and seconded by Cllr M Shorthose, agreed by all. Cllr Morgan to upload to website.

24/93 -To note and comment on current planning applications

Report circulated in advance of meeting by Cllr Johnson.

PIP/2023/02151, Green Lane PIP, agreed we would reiterate our earlier objections. Has gone to appeal. Developer has found 3 precedents for development in the Green Belt. Churt is designated as a small village. Cllr Wright to put together a response.

WA/2024/01070 The Cottage, plans now submitted for a second property. Cllr Johnson has responded to a question from Gillian Devine.

WA/2024/00887 Sundial House, revision of plans to include better provision of a replacement bat loft was approved.

24/94 Heritage mattes and storage of original documents

Cllr Shorthose proposed a vote of thanks to Cllr Johnson for collecting and copying the original plans for the RGT.

All in agreement to store the originals at the Surrey History Centre.

Email regarding Heritage matters sent to Gillian Devine with a request to coordinate heritage assets.

Other matters

There being no other business the meeting of the Churt Parish Council closed at 9.05pm . There then followed a meeting of the Churt Recreation Ground Trust (See separate Minutes).

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Signed:

Date:

Acting Chairman

The next meetings of the Churt Parish Council and Churt Recreation Ground Trust will be held on **Wednesday 17 July 2024 at 7.30pm in the Churt pavilion.**