

CHATTISHAM & HINTLESHAM AGM PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES

MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Meeting Room of the Community Hall
On Thursday 9th May 2024 at 7.30pm

PRESENT:

John Whyman	Ian Bryce	Ben Cox
Caroline Bates	Debbie Archer	Choose an item.
Diane Chase	Les Cole	Choose an item.
Trevor Martin	Jim Hammond	Choose an item.

APOLOGIES: Stephanie Coupland, Peter Eaton, Jamie Bostock	IN ATTENDANCE: Liga Sendall (Parish Clerk) 3 members of the public were present
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The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. Cllr John Whyman kindly agreed to submit the report for the Village Link this month.

CHPC725/24– ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Ian Bryce proposed to re-elect Les Cole as Chairman, Debbie Archer seconded. A vote was taken and all present members of the Parish Council voted to re-elect Les Cole as the Chairman to Chattisham and Hintlesham Parish Council. Councillors thanked the Chairman for all his hard work.

CHPC726/24– APOLOGIES FOR ABSENSE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Coupland, Eaton and Bostock prior to the meeting.

CHPC726/24TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING DATED 11TH APRIL 2024

The minutes from the 11th April 2024 meeting had previously been circulated to all Parish Councillors via email. The Chairman asked if everyone present was happy with the minutes. Cllr Caroline Bates proposed minutes and Cllr Ian Bryce seconded them. The minutes were signed by the Chairman at the end of the meeting.

CHPC727/24- APPOINTMENTS OF OFFICERS & REPRESENTATIVES

Following discussion between members it was agreed that most members are happy to remain in their current roles.

- Vice Chair - Ian Bryce
- Planning Lead - Peater Eaton
- Footpath Officer - Stephanie Coupland
- Equality & Diversity Officer - Debbie Archer
- Telephone box in Chattisham - Debbie Archer
- Telephone box in Hintlesham - Jamie Bostock
- Tree Warden - Jim Hammond
- Emergency Officer - Trevor Martin
- Public Transport - Ben Cox
- Police Forum - Diane Chase
- Graffiti Office - Jamie Bostock
- Risk Management – John Whyman
- Village Directory - Stephanie Coupland
- Speed watch & VAS Sign – Les Cole

CHPC728/24– DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEMS ON AGENDA

The Chair asked if there were any declarations of interest for any items on the agenda. Cllr Ian Bryce signed the interest book regarding NG pylons.

CHPC729/24– MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES DATED 11TH APRIL 2024

The Chair asked council members if they had any matters arising from the minutes. No matters raised.

CHPC730/24– ADJOURNMENT FOR REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Councillor John Whyman circulated his report and annual Babergh report prior to the meeting and they had been distributed to all Council members together with the agenda.

Parish Council - District Councillor Report (May 2024)

“Dear Councillors,

No weather ‘commentary’ from me this month...!

Firstly, I’d like to thank all Parish Councillors for making my first year, in my role, as the communities district councillor (albeit temporary ‘stand in’) so welcoming and for the support many of you have given me during this period. In all honesty, it doesn’t feel like a whole year has gone by!

There have, of course, been elections on the 2nd May. This has created a bit of a ‘pause’ in Council business due to purdah and potential decision-making political sensitivity.

On other matters a few notes below on general community action themes as follows:

Activity

- Brockley Wood Mineral Extraction Site Application to SCC – Its looking like a possibility there could be a Judicial Review (JR) raised by various interested parties to consider the legality of the decision process undertaken by SCC. Whether or not this goes ahead, BDC district councillors from all the neighbouring communities will be fully supporting traffic mitigation measures throughout the most effected villages.
- Norwich Tilbury Grid Extension Project – I attended the meeting at Hintlesham Community Hall (along with many of our parish councillors) to listen to alternative options to pylons. I would urge everyone to respond to the NG final (statutory) consultation that ends on the 18th June. Go to www.pylonseastanglia.co.uk for detailed information.
- Ongoing meetings with, several residents, across a range of planning, social housing, land ownership and environmental issues.

Babergh Notes

As I said in my introduction, Council has been somewhat on ‘pause’ throughout April.

The car parking issue remains a large item on the Council’s business agenda. The decision taken by BDC cabinet has been ‘called in’ by a group of councillors, predominantly, where their communities have been potentially most impacted. The ‘process of decision making’ has been reconsidered by BDC O&S committee and been sent back to cabinet, with further recommendations, for reconsideration.

Babergh planning committee met this month to consider a single development in Bildeston for a total 48 affordable homes for housing association, Orbit Homes on a 3.1Ha site. The application

was approved subject to several development conditions. Many of the new homes will be subject to 'social rent' levels and give opportunities for shared equity ownership.

The BDC Overview and Scrutiny committee met on the 22nd April when we considered the 'call in' decision to reconsider the car parking review decision making process. As ever, I remain open to any residents who would like to be briefed on specific anonymised examples of the council's work, in this area, please let me know. These meetings are also open to parish councillors and members of the public wishing to attend either in person or online.

District Councillor Resident Surgeries

My regular meeting opportunity for residents in Capel St Mary library. The next meet up will be Tuesday 9th July 10-12 (Sorry about June, I'll be away from the UK). No appointment is necessary, but if residents need more of a confidential chat, please let them know beforehand so I can arrange some privacy.

John (Whyman) Cllr - Babergh Council Member – Capel St. Mary''

“Babergh District Council Annual Report 2023/24

May

- Local elections: 10 Greens, 9 Independents, 7 Conservatives, 5 Liberal Democrats & 1 Labour Cllr made up the new Council.
- Coalition agreed between the Greens, Independents and Liberal Democrats with the sharing of leadership across the 4-year term.
- The long running Bellevue House issue appeared settled as contracts were exchanged.

June

- Council reiterates its objection to pylon proposals.

July

- Cabinet sets its strategy for the next four years citing climate housing and community at the heart of its priorities.

August

- Cost of living support for residents reviewed. - £100,000 made available to council tenants, a reduction in council tax for low-income households and £150,000 to households struggling with rent.
- A 30% increase in funding to Citizens Advice Bureaus to accommodate increased cost due to increased demand.

September

- Inspectors declare the long-awaited joint local plan part one to be sound and can progress to adoption. The plan has been seven years in the making.

October

- Baberghs new website was launched.
- Storm Babet. Suffolk resilience forum declares a major incident and provides cross agency support to those affected by flooding in the district.

November

- A consultation begins into measures that might streamline energy efficiency upgrades to listed properties.
- A consultation was launched to help shape the future of Babergh following the strategy announcement in July.
- The joint local plan was adopted at full council.
- There was a call for land to support nature, to increase tree coverage and to improve biodiversity.

December

- Parking charges are back on the agenda. Babergh Cabinet declares that it needs to consider all options faced with a potential shortfall of £1.8M of funding.

January

- Babergh urges the government to fix the broken funding for councils after cost of running the council was expected to rise by 12.8% year on year.

February

- A balanced budget was delivered albeit by use of £1.2 million of reserves.
- The parking charges petition was heard.

March

- Babergh District Council was named the best council in the UK.
- Parking proposals were considered by the scrutiny committee and will now be forwarded to cabinet for consideration in April.

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Cllr John Whyman read out his report.

Main items:

Pause due to local election meaning a quiet spell on the council.

Mineral site that was approved by County Council about a month ago. The impact is potentially massive with large amount of heavy goods vehicles coming all the time. Possibly will be adjudication review. Council are planning for emergency diversion, all traffic should go onto A12, but in case of bridge closure for example, this would divert the traffic elsewhere.

Norwich Tilbury extension project – consultation ends on 18th of June, recommend to anybody to make their views known.

In relation to planning - 48 affordable homes planning agreed on. Most home will be subject to social rent.

Decision on carparking charges is still in consultation.

Members of public.

The Chair invited members of the public to express their points.

One member of public mentioned the broken drain. The Chair confirmed he had spoken with Cllr Hudson after the previous repair. He wrote asking if we can have an indication of status, but nothing permanent has been put in place at the moment. Councillors discussed the issue. Solution is for Suffolk County council to do permanent repairs.
Chair closed the public part of the meeting.

CHPC731/24-PLANNING

All planning applications had been sent to parish councillors with the agenda prior to the meeting. Les Cole introduced this section.

DC/24/01895

[Application for Listed Building Consent - Removal of cement based render and polystyrene insulation and replacement with Lime render on woodfibre insulation. Change of colour to external render - Church Farm Lower Barn Road Chattisham Ipswich Suffolk IP8 3PZ](#)

The chair introduced the planning item Discussion amongst Councillors. Suggestion made that it would improve the building. No objections from anyone present.

DC/24/01936

[Application under S73 for the Removal or Variation of a Condition following grant of DC/21/05755 allowed under appeal APP/D3505/W/22/3292199 dated 17/10/2022 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 \(as amended\) - Erection of 1no. dwelling and construction of vehicular access \(following demolition of existing barn\) - To vary Condition 2 \(Approved Plans and Documents\), Condition 5 \(Access Visibility Splays\), Condition 6 \(Refuse and Recycling Bins\), Condition 7 \(Manoeuvring and Parking of Vehicles\) to update three of the drawings that incorporate a change to the proposed position of the new dwelling and update and revise drawing referenced in conditions. - Land At Red House Farm Duke Street Hintlesham Ipswich Suffolk IP8 3PW](#)

Chair introduced the planning item. Explained the location of the application and what has been proposed. Very complicated property. It is almost unclear what is different to the previous application. Councillors discussing the planning application in depth including previous comments submitted, the new proposed plan review of the map, plans, surrounding buildings and architecture.

No objections from anyone present.

DC/24/02015

[Householder Application - Erection of dormer window to front roofslope - Street Farm The Street Chattisham IP8 3QF](#)

Councillors discuss the plans and review the proposed planning. No objections

Any applications received after publication of agenda will be advised of in the meeting. These can be accessed via <https://planning.baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk/>

CHPC732/24– SUFFOLK DEVOLUTION

The Chair opens this part of the meeting.

Devolution document was circulated with minutes.

Cllr John Whyman summarises – central government want more devolution. Central government are offering a large amount of £350 mil upfront payment – suggestion is that local Councils will be able to make more decision. Proposed budget is fixed for 30 years for the Council. County councillors will vote on it as well as have an election for the head representative. Government want democratically elected leaders.

Councillors discussed the plan.

The Chair asked for suggestions how we submit the form as group. The circulate documents get read out. It gets suggested to complete this individually.
Parish clerk to put link and additional information on website.

CHPC733/24- CIL EXPENDITURE

The Chairman introduced the agenda item.

Document was circulated prior to meeting and discussed at the last meeting.

Discussion regarding proposed boundary gates, including three possible locations. Proposed to be placed just before 30 mile an hour speed limits on 3 main routes into Hintlesham, on A1071 near Birch Farm, on A1071 near junction of Duke Street and Back Road and near junction of Duke Street and Clay Hill. Current approximate estimate for five gates come to about £6000 without fitting. Still struggling to get a list of approved contractors as Highways are unable to provide a list. Will also need to apply for licence at a cost of £60.

Next proposal, two flashing lights near school. They have programmable clock for the signs. The Chair said that a neighbour has indicated agreement to fitting this on the

Additional VAS signs, two other locations have been identified that need approval from Suffolk Highways.

Councillors discussed previously suggested contribution towards Church accessible path for the sum of £1000. All in agreement to issue this contribution. Cheque to be issued in the next meeting.

Discussing costs for printing and ancillary cost to develop PPP. Proposed budget of £4000.00.

Cllr Chase proposed and Cllr Archer seconded. All in agreement.

CHPC734/24– FINANCE

The Chairman read out the items on the finance section of the agenda;

Clerks Salary & Expenses	£ 195.78
2 x panes of glass for Chattisham telephone box	£ 39.60
Glazing casket	£ 13.23

It was agreed on block that the finance items be paid Cllr Bryce proposed and Cllr Bates seconded. Agreed by all.

CHPC735/24– REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

No reports at the moment from councillors.

CHPC736/24- CORRESPONDENCE RECIEVED

All correspondence received by the council had been circulated to members prior to this meeting. Nothing further was introduced for discussion.

CHPC737/24– ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

CHPC738/24- DATE OF NEXT MEETING

13th June 2024

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:32 pm.