

Churcham Parish Council

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**The Minutes of the meeting of the
CHURCHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Held at Churcham Primary School
On the 17th January 2017 at 7.30pm.**

Those Present: - Councillors Francis, Newbery, Baber, Brookes, Reeves and Price along with their clerk Marilyn King, District Councillor Jones and one members of the public.

1. To receive apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Councillor Freeman.

2. To record any Declarations of Interest by members in items to be discussed.

No declarations were received.

3. To approve the minutes of previous Meetings.

Councillor Baber proposed that they be approved as a true record, this was seconded by Councillor Reeves and unanimously approved.

4. To consider matters arising from those minutes.

There were no matters arising.

5. To consider planning applications notified by the Forest of Dean District Council:-

There were no planning applications to consider.

6. To confirm planning decisions by Forest of Dean District Council/Gloucestershire County Council.

6.1 Mr Kibble, Yew Tree Cottage Oakle Street Churcham: - P1571/16/FUL Single storey extension to front of dwelling to provide porch and family room. Full permission was granted.

6.2 Mr S Owens, Meadowsweet Solomons Tump Huntley: - P1385/16/FUL Proposed ground floor extension to rear of property. This application was refused. Councillors thought that consideration should be given for multigenerational living, but were informed by District Councillor Jones that this was not a planning consideration.

6.3 Mr Jones, Solomons Tump Farm Solomons Tump Huntley. P1535/16/FUL Erection of a single storey rear/side extension and porch to dwelling {revised scheme}. Full permission was granted.

6.4 Mr K Gittings, Milton Cottage Bulley Lane Churcham: - P0089/16/DISCON discharge of condition 6 {sample panels of stonework and brickwork} of planning permission P1144/16/FUL approval was given for this application.

6.5 Mr B Hopkins Oak Barn Bulley Lane Churcham. P1455/16/PQ3PA prior approval for the change of use of an agricultural building to dwelling house. {Use class3}. This application was refused.

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7. Clerk's Report.

The clerk reported that electricity has been restored in the defibrillator kiosk at Churcham, thanks were given to Darren McDonald an electrician from Huntley who installed the defibrillator.

8. To receive Councillor's Reports.

Councillor Brookes reported the dire state of the A40 from Lobstock to Huntley, the clerk was asked to contact Highways England to find out what proposed improvements were being considered.

Pot holes in Oakle Street are causing concern, the clerk was asked to contact Gloucestershire Highways to inform them.

A light on a Porta-cabin at Churcham Garage is dazzling drivers travelling from Gloucester towards Huntley at Night, the owners will be asked to modify the angle.

9. Financial Matters. The balance of the two bank accounts is £7556.56.

10. Correspondence received.

10.1 GAPTC Buckingham Palace Garden Party Nomination. Councillor Francis proposed that Councillor Newbery's name should be put forward for consideration.

10.2 Two Rivers Housing: - Advice is being sought for bollard lighting for the development in Chapel Lane which was suggested by Parish Councillors.

10.3 The blocked drain and culvert in Bulley Lane was due to be completed under the lengths man scheme during the first week of January. The clerk was asked to inform Gloucestershire Highways that the culvert has collapsed and needs a major repair not just cleaning out.

10.4 Phil Measures, a Service Leader for the Forest of Dean District Council wrote after complaints were made regarding the pig unit in Chapel Lane. He stated that an investigating officer has visited the site and whilst no planning enforcement matters were identified, the officer did provide advice to the site operator. Councillor said that more than one resident has filled in a 3 week survey. Councillor Newbery agreed to be the parish councils monitoring councillor regarding this problem and try to work with Mr Measurers and April Paintain the investigating officer.

10.5 Amey/Highways England has provided reference numbers for 5 jobs of work the parish council have identified in the parish, so that updates can be obtained.

The clerk will get updates on the outstanding works for the next meeting.

11. Public Question Time. A resident discussed low voltage in the parish over the past few days, and was told by Western Power Distribution that it would continue for a few more days due to work being carried out on the system.

12. Matters raised for discussion at next meeting. No matters were raised.

**The chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at pm
The date of the next meeting is to be held on the 21st February 2017**

The clerk's working hours are: -

Monday 10am – 12pm, 2pm – 4pm, Wednesday 10am – 12pm, 2pm to 4pm and Thursday 10am – 12pm, 2pm – 3pm

If any urgent item needs to be discussed by councillors or residents in between these times I can be contacted by telephone only on 01452 750451.