Churcham Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
21 January 2020 at 7.30pm in Churcham Primary School

In attendance:
Parish Councillors: Cllr. Francis, Cllr. Reeves, Cllr. King, Cllr. Newbery, Cllr. Freeman, Cllr. Brookes, Cllr. Price
District & County Councillors: Cllr. Brian Jones (District)
Clerk: C. Horton
There was one members of the public present.

1. To receive apologies for absence

   1.1. There were none.

2. To receive and consider declarations of interest & written requests for dispensation

   2.1. There were none.

3. To consider and sign the minutes of the last meeting

   3.1. It was RESOLVED to sign the minutes.

4. Public Open Forum

   4.1. There were no representations made.

5. Planning

   5.1. To receive a report of planning decisions by Forest of Dean District Council and the Planning Inspectorate

   5.1.1 P1483/19/FUL Town and Country Planning Act,1990 (As Amended) Oak View Barn, Bulley, Churcham, Gloucester. Conversion of garage and workshop/store to additional bedrooms. (Retrospective).

   This application has been granted CONSENT by FoDDC.

6. Finance & Audit

   6.1. To receive and consider approving a financial report and bank reconciliation from the RFO

   6.1.1 A report updating the Parish Council on its financial activity in this financial year was considered, in addition to the monthly bank reconciliation. It was RESOLVED that the reports were an accurate reflection of the state of the Council's finances and complied with internal financial control policies.

   6.2 To consider approving the following for payment:

6.2.1 Clerk's homeworking office allowance and expenses - £59.40 (November 2019 – £18.00 homeworking office allowance + £23.40 expenses = 41.40 + December 2019 - £18.00 homeworking office allowance)

6.2.1.1 It was RESOLVED to pay this amount.

7. To receive a verbal report from the clerk

7.1. The Forest of Dean District Council had sent a letter promoting tree planting in partnership with The Woodland Trust. Cllr. Francis suggested adding something to the e-newsletter to ask landowners to consider planting trees on their land.

8. To receive verbal reports from Councillors

8.1. Cllr. Freeman stated that he was dissatisfied with the progress of road repairs.

8.2. Cllr. Brookes raised concerns with s silted up ditch off Sainthill Hill Lane. Cllr. Brookes or Francis would inform the clerk of the exact location so enquiries can be made concerning its clearance.

8.3. Cllr. Francis stated that he had corresponded with County Councillor Robinson about broadband funding.

8.4. Cllr. Price raised highways issues concerning Oakle Street.

9. To consider the date of the next meeting

9.1. The next meeting will be held on 18 February 2020 in Churcham Primary School at 7.30pm.

The meeting ended at 8pm

Signed:……. Date:……