

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CHARLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD
WEDNESDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2016 AT 7:30PM IN THE OAKS STORER HALL**

PRESENT - Councillors Mrs Maureen Havers (Chairman); Mrs Margaret Pitts; Mr Michael Froggatt; Mr Richard Froggatt and Mr Brian Duncombe (Clerk)

There were 3 members of the public present

180/2016 -APOLOGIES -

Apologies had been received and accepted from Mr Richard Bailey.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None declared as per Agenda items.

181/2016-APPROVAL OF MINUTES

With the amendment of item 170/2016 changing Mr Roger Cook to Mr Les Cook, it was moved and resolved the Chairman signs the minutes as a true record of that meeting.

It was also moved and resolved that the minutes of the Extra-ordinary meeting on 28th September be signed by the Chairman as a true record of that meeting.

182/2016 -MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

*LCC Highways - the drain on Oaks Road has still not been cleaned and repaired so Clerk is to ask again.

* Grass verges/tree stumps etc on Oaks Road. 2 quotations had been received for cleaning this area, one from Simon Smith for £380 including VAT, the other from Robert Moss £120. plus VAT. After discussion it was resolved we accept the quote from Simon Smith as this was considered to be the better long term option.

*BT Broadband - at this point Mr.Kasam Hussain from BT, was welcomed to the meeting. He had come following our acceptance of BT's letter offering to help local communities in the parish to bring improved fibre broadband to areas not presently covered in the national rollout scheme. Kasam explained they are working with Leicestershire County Council and the Government in providing a better ,speedier service. At present 93% is the coverage which they plan to increase to 96% by 2017. Members explained the problems they ,as well as local residents, have at present. It was resolved therefore, we contact a number of residents and ask if they would like to discuss their broadband provision at a meeting with Mr Hussain. He was in favour of this so we hope to convene a meeting before the end of this year.

183/2016 -ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

It was unanimously resolved that we adopt the revised Standing Orders, following their submission and acceptance at LRALC.

184/2016-POLICE REPORT

Although not present they had sent in that there were no reported crimes in October.

They has also mentioned a large number of break-ins have occurred recently in all areas so asking everyone to be aware of this. Tools and scrap metal left in trade vehicles have been a particular target. Noted.

It was then reported there had been another accident at the Charley Road/Abbey Road/Iveshead X roads. the third in a short time. After the previous ,allegedly fatal, accident we had written to the local Police and LCC Highways asking if a meeting could be arranged with relevant parties. As no reply has been received it was resolved we write to the Leicestershire police & Crime Commissioner asking for advice and involvement.

185/2016 -PLANNING.

The following decisions on planning applications had been received from NWLDC.

16/01047/AGP - erection of agricultural building at Greenhill Lodge Farm

16/00919/HRN - removal of hedgerow on Beacon Road.

Both of these applications had been permitted by NWLDC.

186/2016 -FINANCE

The following account had been submitted for payment - Clerks salary and expenses for September and October £229.05. Moved and resolved this account be paid.

Bank balances at 4th October - Current A/C £3,721.7. Reserve A/C £895.37

Following the latest newsletter from LRALC it was pointed out that the Government are looking at local councils precepts, and a possibly putting a cap on them.. They had asked local councils to write to their local M.P. making strong objections to any capping. Maureen had sent an appropriate letter to Andrew Bridgen M.P. objecting to any capping and pointing out what possible effect this could have on the parish. Maureen was thanked for this.

187/2016 -OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

The formal; meeting was adjourned to receive questions and comments from members of the public.

188/2016 - CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES

* We have been informed that we have won a free Training course at LRALC in 2017. It was resolved we ask if we could put the prize to a similar training event as last year when all Members could be present.

* Also from LRALC we have been invited to submit names to them to attend a Buckingham Palace garden party. It was resolved we put Maureen's name forward.

189/2016 -CORRESPONDENCE FOR DISCUSSION RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

*NWLDC Budget Consultation Process will commence 14th December after being presented to Cabinet on 13th December.

*Also NWLDC have launched their Supplementary Planning Document for consultation. This will commence on Monday 12th December. Any Member interested in commenting are to look on line at -development.control@nwleicestershire.gov.uk

*Brian has also received details from the Society of Local Council Clerks of the lack of grave spaces. throughout he country. If this applies in Charley we are asked to complete their survey. Noted.

190/2016 -COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND UPDATES

* Maureen had passed details of the new computer to Brian

She also mentioned questions had been asked how prepared Parishes would be in the light of disasters etc.?? She mentioned Shepshed 1st Responders could not find an address in the parish recently, It was proposed and resolved that we call a meeting inviting residents, business people etc. to discuss this likely problem and how we would react. March 2017 was suggested as a likely date.

Michael Froggatt reported he had looked at certain areas where grass needs cutting on the verges, but there are certain problems at junctions, some areas that need treating are not in the parish. It was resolved we prioritise our areas and make allowances in the 2017 Budget

Margaret Pitts then left the meeting.

191/2016 - ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Newsletter; Photographs & Adverts; Monastery Jubilee; Local crime report from Police;
BT Broadband; Special meeting involving residents etc; and 2017 Spring Fayre;

192/2016 -DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 4th January 2017 at 7;30pm in the Oaks Storer Hall

The meeting was then declared closed at 9;05p.m.

Brian Duncombe - Clerk

11th November 2016.

