

MINUTES

THE CHARING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WAS BE HELD ON TUESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 4PM VIA CISCO WEBEX VIDEO CONFERENCING. Meetings are currently being held virtually via Cisco Webex Video Conference. The Communications Chairman will record a video of this meeting.

Dawne Austen
Parish Clerk

1.	Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr Prinn, The Clerk & RFO
2.	In attendance. Cllr Leyland (chair) Cllrs C Bain-Smith & A Gudge (vice chairs) Cllrs D Bennett; S Hawkins; S Easun; T Reed& J Gilliver
3.	To receive any declarations of interest from Members. Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by Charing Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the localism Act 2011. Cllr S Easun re item 5.1(neighbour)
4.	Public Participation Session This provides an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions about and comment on items on the agenda. Time for this session is limited to 10 minutes (divided by the amount of participants)no members of the public present
5.	Planning:
5.1	20/01106/AS 20 Woodbrook Charing: Erection of a conservatory (8 for 1 abstention) (recommend support)
5.2	20/01083/AS Wakeley House, 71 High Street, Charing: Relocation of ground floor WC to existing under stairs cupboard; reinstatement of door/wall/panelling; removal of existing partition wall (unanimous)(recommend support)
5.3	20/01162/AS Redwood House, Canterbury Rd Charing: Construction of a steel framed garage on garden to rear of Redwood House(unanimous)(recommend support)
5.4	20/01166/AS 15 Ellen Close Charing: Demolition of existing garage and erection of replacement garage(unanimous)(recommend support)
5.6	Planning Decisions :
5.7	20/00313/AS Land east of Little Rye , Pilgrims Way Charing: Erection of three detached single storey dwellings and landscaping (Granted)*
5.8	20/00812/AS Pond Cottage Pluckley Road Charing: Two storey extension(Granted)*
5.9	20/00944/AS Wootton Manor Cottage, Wootton Lane, Charing: Erection of single storey side extension; single storey rear extension; installation of swimming pool (Granted)*
5.10	20/00141/TP 1 Clearmount Park, The Hill Charing: Cut back branches on a Yew that has Yew scale and is causing damage to planting in "Ranworth" A philadelphus is particularly affected with sticky resin and dead bugs. There is also a problem with light.(Granted)
5.11	19/00445/AS Millgarth The Hill Charing: Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2x dwelling(Granted on appeal)
6.	Matters arising:
6.1	Charlie the Snake: Cllr Gudge explained to councillors the three designs, design 2 came out more favourably although some councillors still didn't think the design looked like a snake. It has been agreed that the snake will be placed on the bank in Clewards. Cllr Reed would submit a further design. If the snake was to be placed in a single like around the Sundial Garden this would take up approx. 30 metres. Ground work companies have been approached but due to Covid 19 and a backlog of work the work on the snake may not be able to take place until Spring. A update will

	be given at the next meeting.
6.2	Defining Boundaries , Settlements, Green and Blue Corridors: KALC and the joint parishes are putting ideas together for the revision of Ashford's Plan. These will incorporate Blue and Green corridors. The ideas will be discussed before ABC starts the next plan.
6.3	Changes to the Planning System and Potential letter to Damien Green: It was agreed after discussion to write a letter to Damien Green regarding the concerns of the planning system.
7.	Finance.
7.1	The staff wages for the clerk & RFO were discussed and agreed.
7.2	The following accounts were approved:

	Payee Name	Details	Amount Paid
DD	Ashford Borough Council	Rates Payment Cemetery 5/10 Aug	£61.00
DD	Ashford Borough Council	Rates Payments Toilets 5/10 Aug	£67.00
DD	Ashford Borough Council	Rates Payments Cemetery 6/10 Sept	£61.00
DD	Ashford Borough Council	Rates Payments Toilets 6/10 Sept	£67.00
DD	Sage	Payroll August	£8.40
DD	Peninsula	Staff legal	£114.59
DD	SSE	Electric Hall period 1-4 to 30-6-2020	£248.17
DD	SSE	Electric Toilet period 18-4 to 8-7-2020	£68.31
DD	Business Stream	Water/Waste period 5-12-2019 to 9-7-2020	£310.95
DD	Initial	Contract Period 01-08 to 31-10-2020	£135.25
Card HMLR	HM Land Register	The Swan	£41.94
Card HMLR	HM Land Register	The Moat A20	£41.88
CardB&Q	B&Q	3 Picnic Benches	£144.00
DD	Initial	Supplies for Hall	£53.54
15/07/2020	Parish Council	Transfer to Unity Trust July	£7,000.00
15/08/2020	Parish Council	Transfer to Unity Trust Aug	£7,000.00
15/08/2020	Parish Council	Transfer to Unity Trust Saving Account	£3,000.00
Card ICO	Information Commission Office	Subscription Data protection -Act 2018	£40.00
Card Kalc	Kalc	Wellbeing Workshop	£54.00
CardLandReg	Land Registry	Land south of the Swan	£41.88
Card da	Wady and Brett	Supplies for meetings FEB-July	£47.83
CardCyan	Cyan Garden Furniture	Circular bench for Cemetery	£1,939.99
		Nat West Bank	£20,546.73
	Payments	Unity Trust Bank	
434280592	Discreet Removals	Removal of rubbish from the Oak/playing fields CH	£40.00
300480730	Staples	Cartridge and hand cleaner	£77.99
206544109	Staples	Cartridges admin	£392.83
153909444	Triple 9 Services	Various tasks around village	£144.50
378975968	Kevin Giles	Tree cutting weeding/weed kill	£160.00

		skateboard park	
790172855	Lotus	Banners for opening the pay area	£249.60
525420856	Wicksteed	2 Rubber Cradles CH	£377.58
311099028	Wealden Wheels	2020 Donation	£500.00
261903351	Charing Christmas Lights	2020 Donation (AG)	£1,000.00
117066190	Triple 9 Services	Clewards Benches/Cemetery (on request from cemetery committee)	£319.65
539436656	PKF	External Audit	£480.00
554518903	Lotus	Banners for local shops	£198.00
526224609	ROSPA	Annual Inspection	£639.00
663634636	Countrywide Grounds	August grass cutting	£1,140.00
984953415	Staples	Office Supplies	£36.22
575783970	R D Jiles	Clewards Meadow Tree work	£600.00
108704912	Kilbys	Wasps nests in Cemetery x 2	£60.00
128907717	PHS	Black Bags	£26.65
465852306	Triple 9 Services	Various repair work piquets/picnic area	£141.00
793333153	Kevin Giles	Cleward's meadow stream and cemetery (on request from cemetery committee)	£270.00
342445756	Staples	Office Supplies	£9.65
388854977	The Moat Management Committee	Fencing	£248.99
390813571	Countrywide Grounds	Bark for play area Westwell Leacon	£507.60
		UT Bank Transfers	£7,619.26
		Staff Costs	
July	Payee/NIC	July Wages	1,109.43
July	Nest Pension	July Wages	228.69
July	Bank Transfer	Staff Costs	4,137.34
August	Payee/NIC	August Wages	1,010.25
August	Nest Pension	August Wages	215.45
August	Bank Transfer	Staff Costs	3,957.43
			10,658.59
	Income	Nat West Bank	
	Hall		£0.00
Aug	Cemetery	Fees	£570.00
Aug	Ashford Borough Council	Small business grant	£10,000.00
Aug	Groundworks UK 31/03/21	Neighbour plan	£10,000.00
Aug	Ashford Borough Council	Greenway grant	£2,600.00
July	HMRC	June VAT Refund	£408.06
Aug	HMRC	July VAT Refund	£486.79
			£24,064.85

	Income	UT Bank	
15/07/2020	Nat West	Monthly Transfer	£7,000.00
15/08/2020	Nat West	Saving Account	£3,000.00
15/08/2020	Nat West	Monthly Transfer	£7,000.00
			£17,000.00

8.	Correspondence:
8.1	Mike Goddard has contacted the PC re the delay in the planning application due to a neighbour asking questions on ecologically and the Willow tree and possible damage to the roots.
9.	Information:
9.1	The Road sweeper informed a councillor that he would be retiring in March.
9.2	Cllr Reed reported back to the council with an update on the TOC H shed. He is waiting for the person from the TOC H society to get back to him as the shed was handed over to the pC around 1950/53 not during the 1 st or 2 nd world war as previously thought.
9.3	Notification has been received to say that BT wants to remove the telephone box from the Market Place. The consultation takes place until 1 st November.
	There being no further business the meeting ended at 8.40pm
	Signed