

MINUTES

**Charing Parish Council Meeting
held on Tuesday 10th October 2023
at 7.30pm. Top Room Charing Parish Hall.**

Dawne Austen
Parish Clerk

1.	Apologies for absence: none
2.	In attendance. Borough Cllr Y Roden .Chair Cllr C Prinn; vice chairs Cllr C Bain-Smith;Cllr D Bennett; Cllrs D Gudge; T Hayward; T Reed; J Strike;L Kerbey;C Allen;S Woodbridge;J White; The RFO & Clerk.
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.
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 number of participants) Two members of the public present re item 7.6.
5.	Matters arising :
5.1	D Day Commemorative 2024:The lighting. Of the beacon will take place at 9.15. pm .
5.2	The Oak:Cllr Roden will consult with Simon Cole from ABC planning re the ongoing issues that we are not getting answers to.
5.3	The Post Office:The. new post box has been installed in the Market Place we are just awaiting confirmation of the commencement date for the old one to be sealed up and the new one to be unsealed.
5.4	Charing Festival:Cllr White has contacted people who can help ,due to the organisation required the plan is to aim for the event. To take place in May 2025.
5.5	CCTV update:The start of installation should be taking place in early November.
5.6	Remembrance Day:Cllr Bain-Smith will do the reading. In church on behalf of the parish council. In the event. She is unable to attend Cllr Gudge will take her place.
6.	The following accounts were approved:
6.1	Budgets:The RFO reminded all chairs of committees that budgets needed to be in by 20 th October.The RFO reported that the 2 nd part of the precept had been received. The external Auditors report and AGAR certificate has been received with no notes on it.

10th Oct	Payee Name	Details	Amount Paid
		Nat West Bank	
DD	Ashford Borough Council	Rates Cemetery Oct	71.00
DD	Sage	Payroll Oct	£9.60
DD	Peninsula	PR Law firm Staff Oct	114.59
Card	HSS Pro Services	Temp Fence Market Place	89.08
DD	Initial	Hall Contract 11/09/2023- 10-10-2023	58.88
DD	Initial	Hall Contract 11/10/2023- 10-11-2023	58.88
Card	M&S	Flowers	30.00
Card	Express Cleaning Services	Toilet Rolls	64.08
DD	Nat West	Bank charges 05-08to01-9	9.10
DD	Business Stream	Water period June-Sept Public Toilets	173.36
DD	Unity Trust Bank	Bank charges 04-06 to 03-9	18.00
Card	Waste Management Systems	Hippo Bags (open spaces and Cemetery)	1,648.47
DD	HP Printing	Aug-Sept Printing	16.49
DD	South East Electric	Toilts June- Aug 25th	126.31
			2,487.84
		Unity Trust Bank	
733622294	Viking	Office supplies	53.70
600628605	Recorra South East	Security Sacks	74.40
747443236	N Beale	Bins August	303.30
175959520	Viking	West Well Playing Field (Bark)	834.00
560696382	C.S Mitchell	Connect light CCTV Brenchley Mews	390.48
183179935	Triple 9 Services	Village maintenance	581.00
679171651	Viking	Soap dispenser Toilets	41.93
5733183852	KALC	Training Councillors DB/LK	122.40
780031445	Viking	Dividers	12.48
939359091	Simon McIntyre	Market Place hedge cutting	175.00
289496846	Mazars LLP	External Auditors (AGAR)	504.00

682844403	Rialtas (accounting)	Budget training RFO	144.00
			3,236.69
		Staff Costs	
Sept	Payee/NIC Unity Bank	Sept	1,481.61
Sept	Nest Pension Card	Sept	445.26
Sept	Bank Transfer Unity Bank	Bank Transfer Unity Bank	4,403.24
			6,330.11
		Nat West Bank/ Unity Trust Bank	
		VAT Refund Aug	604.30
		ABC Precept	90,542.50
		Hall Hire	250.00
		Bank interest Sept (UTB)(Nat West)	878.07
		Christmas Lights	160.00
			92,434.87

7.	Planning:
7.1	PA/ 2023/1606 36 Cherry Tree Road Charing Heath :Proposed garage and internal alterations (unanimous)(recommend support)
7.2	PA/2023/ 1615 Clearways Charing Hill : Retrospective application for 5 tile -pitched dormers to the front elevation . 1 tile-pitched dormer , and 1 flat roof dormer to the rear .(unanimous)(recommend support)
7.3	PA/2023/1712 Fayre Acre Church Hill Charing Heath: Single storey rear extension and relocation of front porch .(unanimous)(recommend refusal)
7.4	PA/2023/1761 Fayre Acre Church Hill Charing Heath: Single storey rear extension and re location of front porch (LBC)(unanimous)(recommend refusal)
7.5	PA/2023/1808 Bourkes Place Egerton Road Charing: Part retrospective change of use of land to the equestrian use, stable block,hay store, riding area, parking area underground waste water tank, hard and soft landscaping. (unanimous)(recommend refusal)
7.6	22/00616/AS Land rear of Charing Motors Northdown Service Station , Maidstone Road Charing: Reserved Matters application pursuant to planning permission 17/01926/AS for 12 dwellings and to consider

	Condition 15(sustainable Urban Drainage) and Condition 30 (Detailed Landscaping)of Outline permioSSION Ref 17/01926/AS (Outline application for the erection of up to 17 dwellings and associated infrastructure with means of access from Maidstine Road to be considered in detail (amended description and plans 16.02.2018.(unanimous)(recommend refusal)
7.7	PA/2023/1542 Land Southeast of 1 Wilkinson Close , Ashford Road Charing: Single storey extension(unanimous)(recommend support)
8.	Correspondence
9.1	Community Rail Partnership:This was deferred to the next meeting for a councillor to take this over .
10.	Information:
10.1	The clerk will re report the leak on Charing Heath Road and try. To get a date of when the repair will take place.
10.2	Discussions are taking. Place at ABC re relocating to International House.
10.3	Cllr White is holding a free pre loved clothing event in the parish hall on Monday 6 th November.We are hoping this will be a termly event.
10.4	The Postbox by The Wynd is damaged and split. This has been reported.
10.5	The clerk will look at replacing the fencing by the gate at the end if the PROW onto the A 20 . PROW say it. Is not their responsibility even though children can get out onto the A20.
	There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm