BROAD CHALKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the 976th Meeting of the

Broad Chalke Parish Council

held at the Village Hall on

Wednesday 13th April 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

The following Councillors were present:

Mr T Hitchings (Chairman)

Mr R Hitchings

Mr D Gilbert

Mr M Pickford

Mr E Fry

Mr J Dutson

Apologies had been received from Mrs A Hall

The Clerk, Mr S Whitmore, and the Deputy Clerk, Mr M Holland, were in attendance.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Clerk agreed to amend the previous minutes to make reference to a petition to give Parish Councils the right to appeal planning decisions.

1. Matters arising
	1. The Clerk reported that he had contacted Shane Verrion regarding the area of ground near the building plot on The Causeway and understood that Mr Verrion had made contact with the landowner.
	2. The repairs at Longbridge were outstanding and the Clerk was asked to contact Wiltshire Council in this regard.
	3. Bundy's Yard – The Deputy Clerk reported that he had written to Wiltshire Council at length concerning problems with drainage on the site, which had flooded 15 times over the winter period, to a depth of 2ft in places. After discussion it was considered this was not a matter for the Parish Council.
2. Neighbourhood Plan update

Mr Truluck attended the meeting and reported that progress had been relatively slow but matters were still progressing. The Village Design Statement has been sent to Wiltshire Council, the Statement having been expanded to cover the whole Parish. There had been positive feedback on it from Wiltshire Council.

The draft Neighbourhood Plan had gone to Wiltshire Council in later January but no feedback had yet been received and no funding for the work to date had been received. Mr Truluck was going to discuss this matter with Councillor Green shortly.

Mr Truluck reported difficulty with the point of contact person within Wiltshire Council but did not require the Chairman to write to Wiltshire Council at this stage.

Mr Truluck reported that the Community Hub chairmanship had passed to Will Hillary. Mr Truluck was now concentrating on The Causeway path having obtained an acknowledgment in principle from Wiltshire Council that it was a matter which needed to be dealt with. However, it would be an expensive project and funding would be required. If it does go ahead the small "village green "area opposite the Queen's Head public house would be a possible addition.

Mr Truluck praised Mr Dan Richter for his excellent work on the questionnaire. There had been a good response and it indicated that the needs were as follows:

* 1. first time residents wanting a house within the Parish;
	2. retired individuals and couples wanting a smaller house in the Parish; and
	3. some "in-betweeners" needing different property.

Mr Truluck reported on possible sites to be used for further affordable housing in the Parish but that this was not yet information that should be available for general publication.

1. Playground repairs

The Clerk read out a letter from a local resident detailing matters which needed to be remedied. It was agreed that the Clerk would ask Mr Chalk, the village handyman, to deal with the matters that he was able to tackle and to report back on those which needed specialist involvement.

1. Other planning consents/applications/refusals/withdrawals
	1. **Consents**

S/2016/02076/TCA T1 & T2 - Willow \_ reduce to a height of approx 7 metres at The Plough, Broad Chalke, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP5 5HQ.

S/2015/12411/LBC Proposed conversion of existing ground floor storage area into guest accommodation, including conversion of existing openings to windows at Manor Farm Barns, Bury Lane, Broad Chalke, SP5 5DW.

S/2015/12405/FUL Proposed conversion of existing ground floor storage area into guest accommodation at Manor Farm Barns, Bury Lane, Broad Chalke, SP5 5DW.

S/2015/10658/FUL Proposed raising of roof and ceiling height on south elevation, new conservatory, and internal alterations at Knighton Mill, Knighton Road, Broad Chalke, SP5 5DX.

* 1. **Applications**

S/2016/02900/TCA Sycamore – Dismantle and Fell at Brook House, South Street, Broad Chalke, Salisbury, SP5 5DN.

S/2016/02673/TCA Cherry Laurel – Fell at Northover House, South Street, Broad Chalke, Salisbury, SP5 5DH.

There were no objections to either of these applications.

* 1. **Refusals**

There were none.

* 1. **Withdrawals**

There were none.

1. Any other business
	1. Mr R Hitchings asked about the empty house owned by Mr Gilbert. The Clerk said that he had not had a response to his letter and will take the matter up again.
	2. There was then a general discussion about the triangle of land at The Willows and after further discussion it was agreed that this could be raised at the Annual Parish Meeting, which will now take place on Wednesday 8 June 2016, not in May as originally intended.
	3. The Clerk mentioned the fact that the bus shelter near The Willows was in a very poor condition. It was agreed that Mr Fry would inspect it and report back.
	4. Mr Dutson referred to video cameras and towers at Gurston Manor and queried whether these were such a substantial nature that planning permission should be obtained for them?
	5. Street party - it was reported that it was proposed to have a tea party on the 12 June 2016 and plans were well under way for it.
	6. Mr Gilbert asked about the problem with the tree roots on the path to the west of the Parish Church. It was agreed that as it seemed impossible to obtain any help on this from Wiltshire Council or their contractors, the Parish Council should deal with it themselves by chiselling up the roots and re-tarmacking them. Mr R Hitchings will talk to a possible contractor for this work.
	7. The Clerk reported on the 8 May 2016 cycling event which will take place in the Chalke Valley and will run through the village.
	8. Defibrillator - it was agreed that this matter should be pursued and it was noted that there were defibrillators at Coombe Bissett and in the Berwick St John Village Hall which could be inspected.
	9. Annual Parish Meeting - it was agreed to ask Will Hillary and Nigel Tinkler to attend the meeting. It will be held on Wednesday 8th June 2016.
2. Cheques
	1. Broad Chalke Village Hall - £144.
	2. Weebly website annual fee payable to S C Whitmore, who paid by credit card - £35 (US $50.00).

There being no further business the meeting ended.