

MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF CHEW MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held virtually via the Zoom platform
Tuesday 2 March 2021 7.45pm

- Present**
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| Cllr Jon Wheatley, Chairman | Cllr Nick Scholefield, Vice Chairman |
| Cllr Marie-Louise Hales | Cllr Ian Cox |
| Cllr Lynne Easton | Cllr Andy Matthews |
| Cllr Louise Leeder | Cllr Rodney Andrews |
| Cllr Simon Jerrome | Cllr Nick Hasell |
| Ward Cllr Karen Warrington (joined 8pm) | |
- Item 1 Apologies**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Paul Cornelius.
- Item 2 Code of Conduct - Register of Councillors' Interest**
None.
- Item 3 Minutes of Previous Meeting**
Minutes of the 2 February 2021 meeting were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting, proposed by the Cllr Jerrome and seconded by Cllr Hasell, and will be signed by the Chairman at the next in person Parish Council meeting.
- Item 4 Public participation - opportunity for members of the public to speak (the public are asked to limit their address to 5 minutes)**
The Council heard concerns from
- Two residents re planning application 21/00724/FUL
 - Two residents re Licensing application 21/00251/LAPRE
- Item 5 Report back on meetings and progress**
- a) Airport
Cllr Leeder reported that
- The night flight consultation draft has been updated and submitted it to the Department for Transport
 - The consultation on carbon offsetting is too technical for the PCAA to comment
 - Bristol Airport Appeal - The Case Management Conference Meeting is on 8 March
 - The PCAA has been successful in a grant bid to the Network for Change and has been awarded £7,348
 - Bristol Airport Consultative Committee states that the airport has withdrawn its application for the moment to become a fully designated (coordinated) airport.
- Ward Cllr Warrington has submitted a statement on behalf residents.
- b) How can the Council support local services and businesses
The Council agreed to display a notice to make new business owners aware that Councillors are available to provide support and advice.
- c) Streetlight contract
The Council noted that attendance to assess the 5 lights considered a priority in the Parish is awaited and agreed to the removal, by WPD, of the light in Dark Lane.
- d) Village gateways

The Chairman to liaise with B&NES regarding their queries on the position and design of the gateways.

Item 6 Transportation, Highways and Footpaths

- a) Car Parking Issues – South Parade Car Park
Ward Cllr Warrington will arrange a meeting with B&NES, the Chairman and Cllr Andrews regarding the South Parade Car Park.
- b) Parking issues
Clerk to query with B&NES the dimensions of the disabled bay, and to chase reply to the Chairman's letter regarding remarking of lines.
- c) Footpaths/Rights of Way
The Council agreed to renew the Parish Path maintenance agreement with B&NES – Clerk to confirm.
- d) Highways sheet
The Council reviewed and updated the Highways sheet.
- e) Speeding issues
Clerk to chase a reply to the Chairman's letter to Highways regarding speeding at Newtown and Winford Road. Cllr Warrington to request a review of the speed limits along the full length of the B3130.

Item 7 Environmental Issues and initiatives

- a) Emergency Coordinator Report – community flood plan
Cllr Easton reported that the volunteers are being called on less as residents are receiving vaccinations and requested Councillors to review the flood plan and advise of any amendments.
- b) Coronavirus – concerns re congestion on High Pavement, South Parade
The Council noted these concerns and will liaise with local businesses regarding solutions.
- c) Playground
Cllr Easton reported that litter is an issue with no litter picking during the lockdown (litter picking will recommence as lockdown ends) and that she has planted raspberry canes and all donations of plants for the beds are welcome. The Council is operating the Play Area as per government guidelines and all signage to remain in place.
- d) Climate Emergency Report
The Vice Chairman requested that Councillors and residents complete the questionnaire re energy consumption over the year and submit to the Climate Emergency Group.
- e) Control of weeds around the Parish
The Parish Council agreed to support the non-use of herbicides = the Chairman to bring a detailed management plan to the next meeting.

Item 8 Finances

- a) Expenditure March - proposed by Cllr Hasell, seconded by Cllr Hales and agreed by the Council.

Description	Amount £	Cheque No
Mr D W Stephenson – monthly website maintenance	40.00	S/O
SSE – lighting electricity Jan 2021	158.10	102365
St Andrew's Church – Parish magazine contribution	175.00	102366
CPRE – membership	100.00	102367
L E Preece – emergency coordinator expenditure reimbursement Jan 2021	42.25	102368
K Headlong – clerk expenses Jan 2021	51.39	102369
SALARY PAYMENTS MAR 2021 POST DATED CHEQUES 1 April		

2021 as HMRC require RTI (Real Time Information) reporting submitted before PAYE date (1 st of month)		
T Hillard (Road Sweeper salary Mar 2021)	604.59	
Tax	(33.80)	
Net pay	570.79	S/O
K Headlong (Clerk's salary Mar 2021)	761.06	102370
Tax	4.00	
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Net pay	757.06	

b) Receipts March

Description	Amount £	Cheque No
B&NES CIL 19/02760/FUL Walton House/Yewtree Farm, Northwick	6145.66	BACS

c) Clerk working from home allowance

The Council agreed to pay the tax-exempt homeworking allowance of £26 per month.

d) Standing Orders amended re recording meetings

Agreed by the Council.

Item 9

Planning

a) Applications in Circulation

20/39 20/02780/FUL	Parcel 3037 Claypit Road Chew Magna Retention of pond, associated landscaping works and pontoon structure. <i>Chew Magna Parish Council comment submitted.</i>
20/51 20/03358/FUL	Dunbolton Barn Claypit Road Chew Magna BS41 8NL Erection of first floor extension and associated works to facilitate conversion of Agricultural Building to 1 no. dwelling (Class C3) as previously approved 20/00789/ADCOU. <i>Chew Magna Parish Council comment submitted.</i>
20/58 20/04286/FUL	Lawrence Farm North Wick Chew Magna BS41 8NP Erection of a double garage with home office, front porch and front extension. <i>Chew Magna Parish Council comment submitted.</i>
20/61 20/04608/FUL	Wilding Orchard Westfield Farm Limeburn Hill Chew Magna BS40 8QW Erection of single storey extension and construction of roof dormer. <i>Chew Magna Parish Council comment submitted.</i>
21/01 21/00055/FUL	Walton House 45 High Street Chew Magna BS40 8PR Repairs to roof of shed on west side of drive as well as redecoration of render walls, windows and external woodwork. <i>Chew Magna Parish Council comment submitted.</i>
21/02 21/00162/FUL	The Old Cider Barn Dumpers Lane Chew Magna BS40 8SS Erection of 1 no. 3 bedroom house following demolition of existing dwelling. <i>Chew Magna Parish Council comment submitted.</i>
20/03 21/00334/TCA	Bridge House Streamside Chew Magna BS40 8RQ T1 Birch - fell. T2 Hornbeam - crown reduce x 2 meters and crown thin x 10%. T3 Mulberry - fell. T4 Weeping Birch - fell. T5 Oak crown - reduce x 2mts and crown thin x 10%. <i>Chew Magna Parish Council comment submitted.</i>
21/04 21/00368/FUL	Islett Pagans Hill Chew Magna BS40 8QJ Erection of single story extension, porch and cladding to parts of the North East and North West elevations.

	<p><i>Chew Magna Parish Council does not object to this application but are concerned that when factoring in a recent extension (98/03093/FUL) the proposal may exceed the Greenbelt SPD (2008) limit on the nominal 1/3 increase in volume.</i></p> <p><i>We do not, however, consider that this proposal would dominate the existing structure or degrade the openness of the greenbelt, and that a redesigned porch and unifying cladding would enhance the overall appearance of the dwelling.</i></p>
21/05 21/00402/TCA	<p>High Orchard 7 High Street Chew Magna BS40 8PR</p> <p>1no. Thorn – remove</p> <p><i>Chew Magna Parish Council has no objection to the removal of this thorn that is clearly not redeemable as part of a well laid boundary hedge. Restocking of any resulting gaps in the hedge will be undertaken.</i></p>
21/06 21/00658/TCA	<p>Tunbridge Barn Tunbridge Road Chew Magna BS40 8SX</p> <p>Ash - fell due to ash dieback</p> <p>Chew Magna Parish Council has no objection to the felling of this Ash which is again, subject to die back.</p>
21/07 21/00731/TCA	<p>North Chew Farm Norton Lane Chew Magna BS40 8RW</p> <p>T1, Lime: Pollard at original pollard knuckles at approximately 6m.</p> <p><i>Chew Magna Parish Council has no objection to this application. Although the Lime is on the curtilage boundary with Norton Lane and clearly in street view, it has outgrown previous pollarding and this application is to repeat the work.</i></p>
21/08 21/00750/TCA	<p>Beech Cottage 15 High Street Chew Magna BS40 8PR</p> <p>Ash-Fell.</p> <p><i>Chew Magna Parish Council has no objection to the felling of this Ash which is unfortunately subject to die back. There are several trees close by, so this will allow more space for these</i></p>
21/09 21/00724/FUL	<p>Parcel 3938 North Wick Road Norton Hawkfield</p> <p>Erection of agricultural building with associated works.</p> <p><i>Chew Magna Parish Council does not object this application in principle, this support is in accordance with the Council's intention to maintain the sustainability of the Parish and thus encourage and support commercial activity that is commensurate with expectations of the community.</i></p> <p><i>The relatively isolated hamlet of North Wick is historically an agricultural settlement comprising several farms with associated agricultural buildings and paraphernalia. However, as the portion of residential dwelling has increased, principally through modernization of farmhouses, farmworkers cottages and redundant barn conversions the scenic attraction and ecology of the local countryside is evidently of paramount importance to both the applicant and their neighbours.</i></p> <p><i>The intention of the applicant is to accommodate his increasing flock of sheep entirely on his own land of approximately five acres that would require a permit for this application. Currently the applicant is hiring a nearby barn. The siting and size of the proposed agricultural building is controversial in the opinion of several nearby neighbours, and also there is an opinion that it would be detrimental to view from the public footpaths running across the field.</i></p> <p><i>Evidently, the applicant has carefully considered topographical and public view options to the proposed siting of the barn and has used the varying gradient of the land to partly 'dig in' the structure to lower its apparent height from certain viewpoints, and also stated the intention of strategic planting to help obscure possible visual impact.</i></p> <p><i>With consideration of the public view and vehicular access, The Parish Council considers that the application suggests the best available position for the siting. A site at the top of the field would be far more visible from more viewpoints but visually backed by a small woodland and closer to other small outbuilding and the farmhouse. However, in this position, vehicular access would then be considerably longer and more obtrusive.</i></p>

	<i>The size, particularly the height of the proposed barn may be excessive (at nearly 6metres) and a lower ridge would be more appropriate and less controversial. Chew Magna Parish Council is not in a position to comment on the appropriate minimum capacity of an agricultural building that would satisfactorily service a proposed function, or the validity of an agricultural business case that would require such a structure. We are aware, however, that the applicant intends to house all necessary agricultural equipment, hay and temporarily some young stock within the building, so as not to allow an overflow of associated paraphernalia, containers etc. that often seems to be the case in rural settings.</i>
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21/00155/LAPRE Moondance Cafe & Maxwell's Hair Salon
The Council agreed not to submit any comments.

21/00251/LAPRE Chew Valley Distillery
The Council advised residents to register their concerns with B&NES and also agreed to draft a letter to B&NES Licensing outlining the Parish Council concerns. If the application goes to Committee Ward Cllr Warrington to represent the Council's concerns.

b) Results

20/62 20/04847/VAR	Chosen Cottage Winford Road Chew Magna BS40 8QQ Variation of conditions 3 (materials samples), 6 (arboricultural method statement), 7 (ecological mitigation), 9 (green roof details) and 11 (plans list) of application 18/04326/FUL (Erection of 1 no. dwelling, associated parking provision and landscaping following the demolition of the existing dwelling).	Permit
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- c) PC2-21 Model Design Code – response requested to NALC by 12 March
The Vice Chairman and Cllr Andrews to draft a response.
- d) Affordable Housing
Cllr Matthews reported no news.

Item 10

Correspondence

- a) Email request to display information re Universal Credit
The Council agreed to display this information via the noticeboard and Facebook page.
- b) Resident query re 'white lines'
The Council agreed to request a B&NES Highways Officer to come to the Parish to assess this and other issues throughout the Parish.

Item 11

Any Other Information for Notification for Next Meeting

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10pm

Next meeting will be on Tuesday 6 April 2021

Kirsty Headlong, Parish Clerk 5 March 2021