

**MINUTES OF CHEW STOKE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON 3 SEPTEMBER 2009 AT THE CHURCH HALL, PILGRIMS WAY, CHEW  
STOKE, BRISTOL AT 7.30PM**

	ITEM	MINUTE	ACTION
	<b>PRESENT:</b>	<p>Mrs G Slater - Chairman Mr D Thompson - Vice-Chairman</p> <p>Councillors: Mrs H Padfield (HP), Mrs A Cunningham (AC), Mr A Troup (AT), Mrs J Brown (JB), Mr G Knight (GK), District Cllr M Hanney (MH), Ms C Wood (CW) - Clerk</p>	
1.	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	Mr A Hawkins (AH), Mrs L Attree (LA)	
2.	<b>READ AND CONFIRM MINUTES OF LAST MEETING</b>	The Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 1 July 2009 have been circulated to members, were taken as read, confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.	
3.	<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b>	None	
4.	<b>PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS</b>	None	
5.	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b>	<p><b>5a. (MINUTE 4 – BILBIE ROAD PLAY AREA)</b> – CW contacted Andy Chard from the Parks Department at BANES to ask advise about the positioning of the Goal Posts at the play area. He advised the following: 1. We could reduce the size of the goal post so that there is a smaller target for children to aim at. 2. Move the posts further from the boundary. 3. Increase the height of the fence if it is not already 3m high but might need planning permission.</p> <p>Agreed – no further action for now.</p>	
6.	<b>POLICE ISSUES, VILLAGE SECURITY AND PACT MEETING</b>	<p>Two letters have been received from Avon &amp; Somerset Police giving an update on recent events. These have been put into correspondence.</p> <p>AC asked if CW could contact the PCSOs to patrol School Lane at the beginning and end of the school day. There are several builders vans parked partly on the pavement causing an obstruction; this means parents are having to walk their children and push buggies in the road. CW was also asked to see if the PCSOs are able to do anything about the rubble/building materials which have been put on the road outside of Rose Cottage on Pilgrims Way which is also causing an obstruction. It was suggested perhaps the owner of Rock Cottage should be contacted to see if the vans could be parked elsewhere – AC would do this.</p> <p>Dog Wardens – CW to ask if they could keep impromptu visits at least once per month in the village and report</p>	<p>CW ✓</p> <p>CW ✓</p> <p>AC</p> <p>CW ✓</p>

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		back to us on their findings.									
<b>7.</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Summer Activities for 13 to 19 year olds (noticeboard)</li> <li>2. Letter from BANES concerning Chairman of the Council's Community Award 2009/10 nominations required by 30 October 2009.</li> <li>3. Transportation and Highways Magazine plus Travel Well/Live Well 2009 brochure</li> <li>4. J Parker Wholesale Catalogue</li> <li>5. Reach magazine</li> <li>6. The Bulletin magazine from English Rural Housing Association.</li> <li>7. Agenda from Bristol International Airport and correspondence for the meeting held on 29 July.</li> <li>8. Children's Equipped Play Area – Quarterly Inspection Report – Passed to AC</li> <li>9. Somer Times magazine</li> <li>10. Letter from NHS Avon Primary Care Support Agency concerning Consideration of Revised Location status in reference to Application for ABC Pharmacies for inclusion on the pharmaceutical list at the Radford Site, Chew Stoke – Comments by 5 August.</li> <li>11. ALCA Newsletter</li> <li>12. Application from BANES for Children's Equipped Play Areas – Grant Aid Scheme for Parish Councils – deadline for applications is 18 September 2009.</li> <li>13. Letter from MG Club informing us of car trials to be held on 23 August and 18 October 2009.</li> <li>14. Letter from BT asking if we would like to buy the Telephone Box for a £1 – our response has to be back with them no later than 31 October.</li> <li>15. Progress Report from West of England Partnership</li> <li>16. Fieldwork magazine</li> <li>17. Clerk and Councils Director Magazine</li> <li>18. Volunteering Poster for the board</li> </ol>	<p>CW GS</p> <p>AC</p>								
<b>8.</b>	<b>FINANCE</b>	<p>Cheques for Payment:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">C Wood (July)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£201.59</td> </tr> <tr> <td>H A King (July)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£324.33</td> </tr> </table> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">C Wood (Aug &amp; Expenses for July) -</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£215.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>H A King (Aug)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£324.33</td> </tr> </table> <p>Proposed GS and seconded GK</p>	C Wood (July)	£201.59	H A King (July)	£324.33	C Wood (Aug & Expenses for July) -	£215.99	H A King (Aug)	£324.33	
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		<p>It was agreed that we would send a letter to HA King thanking him for all his help especially regarding the Village of the Year Competition.</p> <p>HP will be meeting with HAK to ask for a quotation to provide 5 or 6 Shrubs for the bank in Quarry Hay. HP ask him to e-mail GS/CW/HP with the costings so that these can be planted shortly.</p>	<p>CW√</p> <p>HP/ CW/ GS</p>
9.	<b>BRISTOL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT</b>	<p>BANES sent information regarding consultation meeting to be held on 9 September regarding Airport Expansion.</p> <p>JB commented that the light pollution from the Airport on the western horizon affects the night sky.</p>	
10.	<b>PACT</b>	<p>DT has been asked to mention the Weight Restriction on A38 and to mention again the weed problem. MH confirmed the new Beat Manager for Chew Valley North is Simon Glanfield who will be moving in to the Police House in Compton Martin in the near future. DT was asked to invite him to our October meeting to introduce himself to us.</p>	DT
	<b>TELEPHONE BOX</b>	<p>BT are proposing to remove the telephone box from Walley Court Road unless we wish to buy it for a £1. We discussed whether or not we wish (i) to object to the loss of the line and try to persuade BT to keep the line and the box or (ii) to retain the telephone box, assuming that the line will be removed.</p> <p>BT have made it clear that, as there were only 51 calls made from the box in the last year, they will no longer fund the maintenance of the box or a telephone line. Their justification for removing the line is that we have full mobile coverage in the village – this was discussed as the coverage in the village is patchy at best and not what we would rate as full coverage. However, it was accepted that there was low usage of the box and agreed that, in emergencies anyone without a phone would go to a close neighbour (and that the number of villagers without a land line or mobile phone is very small. One concern is for young children who might have an emergency or might want to call Childline.</p> <p>It was decided that, before a definite decision can be made, we need to be aware of the running costs to maintain the box. GK will contact BT for figures.</p> <p>It was suggested by JB that, as the Women's Institute in the 1920's campaigned for telephone boxes in rural areas, we should, out of courtesy, forward them our response.</p> <p>A decision needs to be made by 31 October. However we need to contact BANES with a decision no later than 25 September.</p>	GK/GS

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	<b>Mobile Library</b>	<p>Following the recent correspondence from BANES concerning changes to the Mobile Library Service, MH has informed us of the following:</p> <p>The following press release was issued following recent press and public comment including the article in the Chew Valley Gazette.</p> <p>I have the following additional observations:-</p> <p>1. I am in charge of the Council's finances and there was and is no requirement for any budgetary reductions in the Mobile Library Service.</p> <p>2. Contrary to what was intended and assurances provided to me by Officers, the proposed decision was suggesting a single option for consultation which option would have significantly affected the service to outlying areas rather defeating the concept of a 'Mobile Library'. It is fully recognised that Mobile Libraries are valued by residents on a basis not dissimilar to other key community facilities such as Post Offices.</p> <p>Rather than allow continuing residents' concern on the matter, the Cabinet decided to make the position absolutely clear that it would not be implementing the consultation on the basis set out in the proposed decision.</p> <p>We thanked MH for his intervention on this matter.</p>	
	<b>Welcome Pack for Radfords</b>	<p>GS suggested that we need to think about producing a Welcome Pack for the new residents living in the village, especially bearing in mind the Radfords development. It was agreed that GS would look at our current welcome letter with a view to improving this (and adding a reference to the village website).</p>	GS
10.	<b>PLANNING</b>	<p><b>06/03515/FUL – CHARLES CHURCH (WESTERN) LTD AND LINDE AG, RADFORD RETAIL SYSTEMS, CHEW LANE, CHEW STOKE – Erection of 38 Residential Dwellings, employment and community (Class D1), uses after demolition of existing industrial buildings – PERMITTED details of the decision can be obtained from the Clerk.</b></p> <p><b>09/00660/TCA - Chew Stoke Methodist Church, Chapel Lane, Chew Stoke - Reduction and Crown thin Lime Tree - Church Council of Chew Stoke Methodist Church – PENDING</b></p> <p><b>09/01342/LBA – THE RECTORY, PILGRIMS WAY, CHEW STOKE – INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ALTERATIONS TO INCLUDE UPGRADING ROOMS, PARTIAL DEMOLITION OF OUTHOUSES AND ERECTION OF A GLAZED GARDEN ROOM – PENDING</b></p> <p><b>09/01341/FUL – DR RICHARD RAFFERTY, THE RECTORY, PILGRIMS WAY, CHEW STOKE, BRISTOL – ERECTION OF A GLAZED GARDEN ROOM – PENDING</b></p>	

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	<p><b>09/01620/FUL – ROSE COTTAGE (BEAUMONT), PILGRIMS WAY, CHEW STOKE – MR ANDREW LATHAM – CHANGE OF USE OF FORMER COTTAGE (ROSE COTTAGE) AND ERECTION OF A TWO STOREY EXTENSION TO CREATE SINGLE RESIDENTIAL UNIT AND INSTALLATION OF NEW DRIVEWAY (REVISED PROPOSAL) PERMITTED with the following comments: 1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission. 2. All external walling and roofing materials to be used shall match those of the existing building in respect of type, size, colour, pointing, coursing, jointing, profile and texture. Reason: In the interests of the appearance of the development and the surrounding area. Reasons for Granting: 1. The proposed development would not have an adverse impact upon the streetscene of the amenity of the surrounding residential occupiers. This will preserve the character of the Conservation Area and will not harm the openness of the Green Belt. 2. The decision to grant approval has taken account of the Development Plan, relevant emerging Local Plans and approved Supplementary Planning Guidance. This is in accordance with the Policies set out on the Notification of Decision.</b></p> <p><b>09/1720/FUL – PERRY HOUSE COTTAGE, STOKE HILL, CHEW STOKE – DR R LOWE – ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION AND PROVISION OF NEW ACCESS (REVISED SCHEME) – PERMITTED – No comments received.</b></p> <p><b>09/020211/062/FUL - PAGANS HILL FARM, SCOT LANE, CHEW STOKE – CONVERSION OF A BARN TO HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION AND REMOVAL OF ADJOINING BARNS AND LEAN-TOS –</b> Comments sent to BANES as follows: Parish Council supports the application with the following comments: The conversion of this barn would utilise a building which is no longer suitable/used for agricultural use. We do not consider the conversion would detract from the character and appearance of the barn. No addition to the size of the original building is requested. There is no impact on any adjacent dwellings/occupiers. As this is holiday accommodation the amount of additional use of the highway would be very limited. The holiday accommodation will be situated on a working farm and would not effect the openness of the Green Belt. <b>This application has since been withdrawn.</b></p> <p><b>09/02245/REG03 – CHEW VALLEY SCHOOL, ERECTION OF NEW BUILD SINGLE STOREY CHILDREN'S CENTRE BUILDING IN THE GROUNDS OF CHEW VALLEY SCHOOL – APPLICATION: BATH &amp; NORTH EAST SOMERSET COUNCIL –</b> We commented as follows: The proposed building design is compatible with adjacent buildings and we do not feel it detracts from openness of greenbelt. The area the plot is situated in is currently unusable, and this project should enhance this area of the school. The project will provide employment and</p>	
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		<p>support facilities to local families, as well as much needed childcare to the area.</p> <p><b>Tree Applications:</b>  <b>09/02200/TCA – DR RICHARD RAFFERTY, THE RECTORY, PILGRIMS WAY, CHEW STOKE – REMOVAL OF 3 NO. ASH, HAZEL AND WILLOW TREES – notification of decision received – no objection.</b></p> <p><b><u>NEW APPLICATIONS</u></b>  <b>09/02317/FUL – ARQIVA, TELEVISION MAST BREACH HILL COMMON, CHEW STOKE – INSTALLATION OF A 0.75M SATELLITE DISH AT 5M –</b> Comments sent to BANES – Chew Stoke Parish Council support this application as this is a small addition to the existing TV mast.  <b>09/02384/FUL – MRS ANNE SUMMERS, ROSEMARY COTTAGE, BREACH HILL LANE, CHEW STOKE – ERECTION OF A SIDE PORCH FOLLOWING DEMOLITION OF EXISTING –</b> Comments sent to BANES: Chew Stoke Parish Council supports this application as we feel it will improve appearance and the use of similar materials will compliment the property.  <b>09/02672/FUL – MS SARAH TUCKER, THE OAKS, PAGANS HILL, CHEW STOKE – ERECTION OF A STAINED TIMBER BOUNDARY FENCING TO THE ROAD PERIMETERS OF THE OAKS (RETROSPECTIVE)</b> Comments sent to BANES – Chew Stoke Parish Council support this application although retrospective the fence has blended in well and provides safety from the road.  <b>09/02286/OUT – BAKER AND BAKER, POULTRY PRODUCTION UNIT, SCOT LANE, CHEW STOKE – CONSTRUCTION OF A 12,000 BIRD FREE RANGE EGG PRODUCTION UNIT –</b> Comments sent to BANES – Chew Stoke Parish Council supports this application as we cannot see any adverse environmental impact another poultry unit would cause. Good provision has been made for disposal of waste, and no major impact of additional traffic. The siting of the building is good, as it is not visible from either Pagans Hill or Winford Road.  <b>09/02819/FUL – MR PAUL WEDLAKE, BROOK COTTAGE, SHOREDITCH, CHEW STOKE, ERECTION OF TWO STOREY REAR EXTENSION WITH ALTERATIONS AND NEW SIDE ENTRANCE PORCH –</b> Comments sent to BANES – Chew Stoke Parish Council supports this application with the following comments: The proposed extension is not a disproportionate addition to this property in the Green Belt, and this increase does not affect the openness of the Green Belt. The restoration and new energy saving options will enhance the property.  <b>09/02829/FUL – ND AND R A PEARCE - PERRYHOUSE FARM, STOKE HILL, CHEW STOKE, ERECTION OF LIVESTOCK SHED FOR CATTLE HOUSING.</b> Comments sent to BANES – Chew Stoke Parish Council supports this application as it will benefit the farm to have more covered area for livestock. The new shed is situated within the farm yard and will not be totally visible from the public road.</p>	
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		<p>It has come to light that the recent planning applications received which were commented upon had not been put on to the BANES Planning website, after e-mailing Development Control we have been told that the comments were put in to a "Sensitive Area" by mistake. We feel BANES should give us an explanation as to why this has happened and have asked MH to make enquiries on our behalf.</p> <p><b><u>Enforcement</u></b>  <b>Stoke Inn</b> – Nothing to report.  <b>Yew Tree Public House</b> – We have been advised by the Enforcement Officer that Mr Mills has been asked to submit a Certificate of Proposed Lawful Use in respect of the new "Wheelie Shelter". This has not been done to date, therefore he has been written to again requiring the dismantling and entire removal of the shelter and concrete pad by 4 September 2009. The Enforcement Officer confirmed that, if this is not complied with, she will instigate the issue of an Enforcement Notice.</p> <p><b><u>Tree Preservation Order</u></b></p> <p><b>TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 2009 (PADDOCK WEST OF MILLSTONES, 3 THE CEDARS, CHEW STOKE – 11 March 2009</b>  A Tree Preservation Order was made – no objections were received therefore on 12 August 2009 the Council (BANES) decided to confirm the Order without modification because the trees make a significant contribution to the local amenity and landscape of the area. The Council therefore wishes to control the topping, lopping, uprooting or felling of the trees that anyone may wish to undertake. Details of the whole Order in Correspondence.</p>	
11.	<b>RECREATIONAL AREAS (PLAY AREA/RECTORY FIELD</b>	<p><b>Rectory Field</b> – Refer to Any Other Business.</p> <p><b>Bilbie Road Play Area:</b> We have received paperwork to apply for a grant for new play equipment. HP has met with Colin Lewis from GB Leisure to provide two quotations, one for the repair of the slide the other for a new slide. HP has also spoken with Andy Chard from Parks Department at BANES who has said we can apply for a full grant to replace or we could apply for money to repair. Colin Lewis from GB Sport and Leisure said that the Slide is corroding badly and provided the following quotation: To remove existing timber steps and access platforms and supply and install new timber steps, handrail posts and access platform in the sum of £2,624.20. OR: Remove existing embankment slide and steps. Install new stainless steel embankment slide chute, timber steps with handrails and new access platform for the sum of £6,496. They suggested that the existing steps</p>	

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		<p>are removed and the new access steps are fitted at a 90 degree angle to the slide chute. CW will complete the application for the grant which needs to be with BANES by 18 September.</p> <p>It was suggested that perhaps the current Seesaw which is very stiff to use could be replaced with a roundabout but Colin Lewis advised that Roundabouts require high maintenance and would cost in the region of £3,000.</p>	CW ✓
12.	<b>FOOTPATHS AND HIGHWAYS SUB-COMMITTEE</b>	<p>GS spoke to Mary Bracey and Tony Page to discuss the ownership of the footpath between the Garage and Bilbie Road. Mary Bracey confirmed that the footpath was never owned by Mr Brain (Mary Bracey's Father) who used to own the Garage. Originally the footpath was diverted from running along side the river to its current position when the houses at Bilbie Road were constructed. GS will contact Graeme Stark with the new information and discuss what can or needs to be done to adopt the footpath. CW to look to see if there are any land registry searches on Bilbie Road Footpath in the Office.</p> <p>The Chicane at Stoke Hill appears to have now settled down although it is noted the approach to the chicane from Fairseat Farm end is not very clear and we can understand why "accidents" have happened. It was suggested that the chicane kerb could be painted white to make it more obvious and perhaps more signage or road markings are required. Stefan will be contacted to give us further advice. It was also suggested that perhaps signs at the gateway to the village approaching Stoke Hill from the Lake should read "Village Gateway Ahead" – all options to be discussed with Stefan.</p> <p>DT and GS recently met with Stefan Chiffers to discuss the continuation of the Bristol Road Footpath - further information will hopefully be available at the next meeting.</p>	<p>GS</p> <p>CW</p> <p>GS</p>
13.	<b>VILLAGE CLEANING AND VILLAGE OF THE YEAR COMPETITION</b>	<p><b>Village Cleaning</b> – As agreed earlier in the meeting, H King will be sent a letter informing him of the result from the Village of the Year Competition and expressing the Parish Council's appreciation to him and his team for keeping the village looking at its best.</p> <p>CW asked to report to BANES the weeds which are growing along the kerbs and pavement in particular in Bushy Thorn, Bilbie Road and Salway Close – DT will mention at the PACT meeting.</p> <p><b>Village of the Year</b> – We were recently confirmed as joint District winners in B&amp;NES with Chew Magna in the Village of the Year Competition (small village section). Chew Magna were also the overall winner for Avonside (B&amp;NES, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire).</p>	<p>CW ✓</p> <p>CW ✓ DT</p>

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<b>15</b>	<b>PARISH LIAISON MEETING</b>	The next meeting is to be held on 14 October next meeting – AT will be attending and we have asked him to mention the A368 Weight Restriction and traffic issues relating to the proposed Airport expansion.	AT
<b>16.</b>	<b>WEBSITE</b>	GS recently met with Louise Attree, our new Councillor, and has asked if she would assist in collating information for the website. LA said she would be delighted to help. GS has also suggested that she might like to sit on the Finance Committee as there is a vacancy on that committee. A date for the next Finance Meeting will be set at the October meeting	CW
<b>17.</b>	<b>ACTION LINE</b>	<p>1. One of the Scots Pine trees has died – CW asked to contact Paul Alexander to ask if he could replace it.</p> <p>2. Bruce McColl has sent an e-mail concerning an overgrown brambles, nettles and weeds near to Wilson Vokes' property, he has asked if this could be cleared. This will be looked into and we will assess whether the work is needed.</p> <p>3. CW asked to write to Luke Hazel, Herons Green Farm to see if he has been able to replant the hedge at Woodford Lodge – AT spoke few months ago about replanting the hedge – draft letter for GS to check.</p> <p>4. A group of residents on Breach Hill Common have purchased the "Lord of the Manor" and this will, hopefully, ensure the upkeep of the common. AT to look out his old file on a section of the land on the common where there is a query as to ownership</p> <p>5. The "Give Way" sign at Top Cross is covered in vegetation. Inform BANES</p>	<p>CW</p> <p>CW</p> <p>AT</p> <p>CW</p>
<b>18.</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	Ward Councillor initiative – this is a small pot of funds that MH is able to distribute amongst his 3 parishes. After some discussion it was agreed that the money should be spent on flowering shrubs which would be planted in various areas around the village, such as the Millennium Sign etc. DT and AT will take a look around the village and suggest where the shrubs could be planted and the quantities required. We then need to put together details of what we propose, with costings, and present this to MH.	DT/AT
		Meeting ended at 10.30pm	