

CHAPEL AND HILL CHORLTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Chapel and Hill Chorlton
Parish Council held on 10 April 2024**

Present:

Parish Councillors: Mark Humphries, Richard Montague, Richard Oppenheimer (Chairman)
1 member of the public was present.

054.04/24 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Tom Davey, Borough Councillor Amy Bryan

055.04/24 To consider applications for co-option or resignation

There were no applications for co-option or resignation.

056.04/24 To receive Councillors' declarations of pecuniary interest in items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

057.04/24 To consider approving and signing the Minutes of the last Regular Meeting

The chairman signed the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on 13 March 2024.

058.04/24 Public participation (open forum)

There were no public participation items.

059.04/24 Reports from Borough and County Councillors

Borough councillor: No report had been received.

County councillor: No report had been received.

060.04/24 Police report

There was no police representative at the meeting.

061.04/24 Correspondence received

There was no correspondence.

062.04/24 Financial matters

A VAT reclaim of £389.38 has been prepared for submission.

Precept funds are expected to be received soon from NuLBC.

Forms for the annual audit have been received.

It was resolved to approve the following expenditures: Str8edge for installation of wooden bollards and posts, £1000; wooden bollards and posts for Chapel Chorlton Green and Kennels Lane layby, £1005; reflectors for bollards, £90.00 'No fly tipping' signs, £25.00; CCTV camera for Kennels Lane layby, £105; annual subscription for camera, £99.00; Staffordshire Wildlife Trust associate membership, £100.00. These expenditures will be accounted for in the 2024-2025 budget.

Financial report: Bank balances: reserve a/c £11,016.92; current a/c £2,113.39. Total funds: £8630.31 + £4,500 by-election fund.

Schedule of payments:

BACS/CHQ NO.	TO WHOM PAID	DETAILS	Total inc VAT
016/23/24	Ashwood Timber	Post Fixing for Chorlton Green	274.80
017/23/24	Argos	CCTV Simcard	19.99
Total			294.79

The above items authorised to be paid following this meeting.

063.04/24 Planning

Planning application 24/00180/FUL: Fairview, Haddon Lane, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Revised proposal for replacement dwelling (approved under 21/00818/FUL) consisting of a redesign of its appearance, its reorientation, and the relocation of access to the northeast. Decided not to comment.

Planning application 24/00081/FUL, Coombesdale: Noted that this has been permitted by NuLBC.

Update on application 22/01105/FUL, Woodside: The applicant has still not responded to the County Flood Team's comments of 29 November 2023.

Update on Baldwins Gate Farm site: Noted that Bellway Homes has an interest in the site.

064.04/24 Croft Farm construction site

The Council is concerned that the developers are still not cleaning the public footway; also that vehicles are being parked in the road, causing problems for adjacent residents. It is understood that the developers are waiting for National Grid to move the power lines that cross the site.

065.04/24 Meadow project

Inclement weather has prevented any work on the site. The soil that was recently spread will be graded once better weather has allowed the ground to dry out. Bird boxes for the trees will be ordered and installed this month.

066.04/24 Parish appearance

Kennels Lane layby: Signage and CCTV have been installed. It was resolved to spend £419.00 + VAT to purchase and install a litter bin, and to subscribe to fortnightly servicing of the bin by NuLBC StreetScene at an annual cost of £130.00 + VAT.

Chapel Chorlton green: Wooden bollards have now been installed to protect the corners of the green from encroachment and damage by vehicles. There has been a positive response from local residents.

067.04/24 Highways matters

Flooding continues to be a problem at the northern end of Sandy Lane and is causing significant damage to the road surface.

Damage to the edge of the road on Woodside between Woodside Farm and Rose Cottage was reported by a parishioner to SCC Highways several months ago, and now is becoming very dangerous. There has been no action to date from SCC Highways.

068.04/24 Public engagement

The noticeboard for Chorlton Moss is awaiting installation at the Meadow project when better weather allows for more work to be undertaken at the site.

069.04/24 Councillor training

No dates for councillor training were announced.

070.04/24 Urgent business

There was no urgent business.

071.04/24 Date and venue of Annual Parish Meeting

The date and venue of the Annual Parish Meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 30 April 2024, to commence at 7:30pm, in the Function Room at Slaters Country Inn.

072.04/24 Date and venue of Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

Due to Councillors' planned absences, the date and venue of the Annual Meeting of Chapel and Hill Chorlton Parish Council was confirmed as Tuesday 30 April 2024, to commence at 7:45pm, in the Function Room at Slaters Country Inn.

073.04/24 Date of the next regular meeting of the Parish Council

Due to Councillors' planned absences, the date of the next regular meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 12 June, to commence at 7:30pm, in the Function Room at Slaters Country Inn. The Meeting closed at 21.03 hrs.

Signed

CHAIR

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