

COLESHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Parish Council

On Monday, 15th July 2024 in the Village Hall, Barrack Hill, Coleshill at 7.00 pm. (See Notice dated 28th June 2024)

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17^h June 2024 Attached
3. Declaration of Interests
4. Matters Arising
5. Councillor vacancy

DEMOCRATIC PERIOD- Parishioners` questions and comments.
Resident concern about dog-poo at JAF

6. Clerk`s report – Magpie Lane speed reduction Cabinet decision
7. Report from Planning, BCC updates:
 - i) Ref. No: PL/24/1915/FA Single storey side extension with new French doors and sidelights to match existing style. Meadow House Bottrells Lane Coleshill HP7 0JX
 - ii) Buckinghamshire Council updates Oral TB, SR, CJ
 - iii) Transport report Attached
8. Report from Open Spaces
 - i) Monthly Play Area & PROW reports Attached
 - ii) Quote for cutting round goal mouth on regular basis at Jack Adams field Attached
 - iii) CMC report Attached
 - iv) CMC Future Management discussion & proposal to change the Common Management Committee Articles of Association
9. Report from Finance
 - i) Cashbook, Bank balances & reconciliation to 01.07.24 Attached
 - ii) New model Financial Regulations Attached
 - iii) New .gov.uk email quotes Attached
 - iv) Quote to transfer History pages onto new website Attached
10. Items for Payment - Proposal to approve payments for July
11. Councillors reports for areas of responsibility.
Amersham Community Board meeting 12.6.24
12. Next meeting date Monday 16th September 2024 - Coleshill Village Hall +
CMC meeting 3rd September – Coleshill Village Hall

NOTICE OF VACANCY

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Local Government Act 1972- Sections 87 and 89

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that due to the resignation of Councillor Nigel Suttie a casual vacancy has arisen in the Office of a PARISH Councillor for Coleshill Parish Council

If by 31st July 2024 (within 14 days excluding Dies Non after the date of this notice) a request for an election to fill the vacancy is made in writing to the Returning Officer, Buckinghamshire Council, The Gateway, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury, Bucks HP19 8FF or via email to elections@buckinghamshire.gov.uk** by TEN electors for the Parish, then an election will be held to fill the vacancy, otherwise the vacancy will be filled by co-option.

Dated: 10.7.24

Signed: Paul Messenger

Coleshill Parish Council. c/o Village Hall, Barrack Hill, Coleshill HP7 0LN

** Residents of the Coleshill parish who wish to request an election must include their names, addresses and a signature and if using the email address we recommend sending a scanned copy of the request.

Democratic period

Also, sadly I forgot my phone this time, just walked round the cricket field and piles of dog poop! in the middle of the footpath. Sorry about the whinging but makes me so cross.

Transport report 15.7.24

Little to report this month. In case you missed it Carl Jackson has requested an update, prompted by Lynda, on the Magpie Lane speed limit reduction, it is likely we will hear something after 6th August. It may then take months for the limit to be changed, assuming the report suggests a change is desirable.

The school kerbs continue to be an issue now the resurfacing has taken place. I am waiting to hear from the LAT (who I met 14/6/24) what action Bucks propose for both that and the drains issue.

On a positive note the drain by the pond has been replaced neatly, so hopefully the puddles will be smaller, at least until the pond over flows!

Tony and I have written to Sara Green MP after our meeting with her last month (14/6) and her return as an MP.

We asked her to support the play area application, look into the broadband issues on Tower Rd and Magpie Lane as well as put pressure on Bucks to improve the Highways offering.

**OUTDOOR SPACES/PLAY AREA EQUIPMENT -
Report from Cllr Louise Templeton CPC, July 2024**

Hill Meadow

Inspected 9th July 2024

Issues arising

Outstanding issues

Results of the survey have been collated. Some really positive remarks and support to replace/protect this community asset.

I am working on the business plan with Tony for funding.

Issues resolved

JAF

Inspected 9th July 2024

Issues arising

Remy has been asked to cut the grass outside of the play area, so kids can play football.

Outstanding issues

Issues resolved

Council agreed to invest in an inspection fee with Sovereign

Paths update July 24

Many paths are overgrown and are being raised on the PROW website.

Common & Pond Report PC Meeting 15 July 2024

A number of work sessions by some of the CMC members took place clearing paths on the common and the area around the picnic table in preparation for the Wildlife Explorer Day.

Regrettably due to the wet weather and sounding out of the stall holders and a few parents it was decided to postpone the Wildlife Explorer Day on the Common on Sunday 7 July. Consideration will now be given to finding another date later in the summer if not then it will be held next year.

Following the resignations of two of the Common Management Committee (CMC) the remaining five members have unanimously decided to keep the existing numbers and reduce the amount of administration, bureaucracy and workload. The regular work parties that are organised are poorly supported by village volunteers increasing the workload on the CMC members. This means that the two open meetings held in the village hall each year will be discontinued. The CMC will plan the work needed and produce an annual plan including budget and present to the Parish Council for approval/endorsement at the September meeting. This is in line with how the CMC operated for many years ensuring public accountability. In order that villagers have an ongoing say on how they feel about the way the common and village pond are managed there will be at least a minimum of three ways in which they can communicate. The first being at the Democratic Period at the Parish Council monthly meetings. The second being the Village Website - section Village Amenities - Common and email to Chairman CMC. The third being a written request put in the village hall postbox addressed to the Chairman CMC.

Work is about to start on preparing the Common and Pond 2025/26 budget so that it can be presented at the September Parish Council meeting for approval. This will allow villagers to have a preview before the meeting and address any issues they might have in the Democratic Period.

Progress on this year's action plan is on target. The three ash trees with incurable die back disease have been cut back by the side of the village pond. Both the willow tree root issue at the pond and the UK Power Networks power cables and damage to the Common verge at Chalk Hill/Windmill Hill are in the hands of Bucks Council. The significant grass cutting of the Common is planned for w/c 9 September by Chiltern Rangers.

Finance report 15.7.24

- i) Cashbook, Bank balances & reconciliation to 01.07.24 – Reconciled no issues.
Ben Morgan will be included on the new bank mandate along with Paul Messenger the new clerk.
Action: approve additional 2 signatories

- ii) New model Financial Regulations
Action approve and adopt new regulations

- iii) New .gov.uk email quotes
Action: Do you wish to go ahead with either quote and if so which one?

- iv) Quote to transfer History pages onto new website
Action: Does Council wish to transfer History group pages and go ahead with quote?