**CHEDISTON AND LINSTEAD GROUPED PARISH COUNCIL**

Meeting held on Monday 21 November 2017 at 7.30pm in the Linstead Village Hall

**MINUTES**

1. The Chairman welcomed Councillors, those present were Graham Downing, Jo Wareham, Terry Tooze, Sheila Clifford, Sheilah Turley and Janet Heath.

2. Apologies for absence were received from Mark Titchiner.

3. Declarations of Interest were recorded from Jo Wareham and Terry Tooze for item number 9. The book was duly signed.

4. The Minutes of previous meeting held on Monday 19 September 2016 were accepted as a true and accurate account of the meeting and were duly signed.

5. Matters arising from minutes not covered by the agenda – Item 6, there was heavy rainfall yesterday 20 November and as expected the new driveway on the B1123 at Church Farm flooded from the ditch onto the highway this was exasperated because of the small bore of the culvert. Photo's have been taken and we will log the issue with Highway's.

6. Public Forum – there were no members of public at the meeting.

7. Finance – Quarterly Financial Statement given to Councillors. Cheques for signature - CAS - £10.27 (increased Insurance Tax) £60 for hosting One Suffolk web-site

8. 2017/18 Precept accounts were given to Councillors – a resolution to accept the request for £3000 was approved by all Councillors.

9. Planning - Mill House, Chediston the planning application DC/162807/FUL has been submitted for full Council Planning approval on 23rd November 2016.

10. Pedestrian paths and hedgerows around Chediston and Linstead – Much concern was voiced about the late cutting of verges this year by SCC also about overhanging vegetation on the highway. It is proposed that a flyer be produced to inform residents of Chediston and Linstead that concern has been raised about the safety of walkers and cyclists due to overgrown hedgerows and shrubbery. It is intended that the flyer be posted on the village noticeboards and on the web- site. For residents who find it difficult to keep their boundaries trimmed we may be to able to offer assistance with hedge cutting. Clerk to send draft to Councillors for approval.

11. Dates of Meetings 2017 these were proposed and agreed by Councillors. These will be displayed on the web-site and noticeboards.

12 Transparency Fund Grant – Remittance advice £300. These funds will be forward to David Mantel in April 2017 for him to maintain the web-site.

13. Correspondence. SCDC – Site Allocation and Area Specific Policies, additional changes SCDC – Removal of BT Payphones - Invite, Annual Council Budget Liaison event Sizewell monthly update - Community Payback, currently no charge Suffolk Constabulary Suffolk Local Policing Review - responses SCDC and Waveney – Super District, please send your views

14. Correspondence for circulation. Clerks and Councils Direct. Local Councillor. Patrick Stead Hospital and Rayner Green Support Group Barclays – business support is changing. Glasdon catalogue - Vicky Ford MEP for East of England

15 AOB - There are missing passing pull-in signs on Christmas Lane, Clerk to report this to Highways. The signs that Highways put up in the summer time to alert vehicle’s to a collapsed road along the B1123 have fallen into the ditch. Clerk to notify Highways. Workmen have knocked down a footpath sign. Clerk to notify the correct department at SCC. Jo will put together a proposal for an inter village competition Coastline were advertising a funding grant for projects to teach young people about money. Free 1 hour car-parking may come to an end in Halesworth, it is reported that SCC may ask the local Town Council to come up with £17K to keep this concession. Chediston & Linstead have not been asked to contribute to date but we will look out for correspondence. SCDC have notified us that it is there intention to remove the payphones in Chediston and Linstead, BT are considering offering the boxes to local parish councils for £1. It was proposed and seconded that we do not continue to keep the boxes. This proposal was put forward by RT about 6 years go and there were issues with insurance. 2 councillors abstained from the vote and 1 councillor voted against the proposal. The proposal was carried.

16 Date and Time of next meeting is Monday January 16th at 7.30 in Chediston School Room.

Signed ................................................. Dated .............................................