Meeting of Chenies Parish Council held in the Garden Room, Chenies Manor at 8:00pm on Tuesday 21 July 2026.

Minutes

In attendance:

Cllr Jackie Sandon, Chair
Cllr Charles MacLeod Matthews, Vice Chair
Cllr Darrell Lewis
Cllr Molly Newton
Paul Messenger, Clerk
Cllr Carl Jackson, Buckinghamshire Council

Members of the Public: 2

1 **Apologies for absence** – Cllr Paddy Smith

2 **Democratic Period**

Parishioners attended the meeting to advise of their concern over the Processionary Moth, the nest of which had been found in Oak Trees on their land and that they had also noticed in a number of the Oak Trees in the Greensward. The PC thanked them for advising of this and agreed to report the matter to Bucks Council.

Discussion was also had in respect of the travellers who had come into the Village on Saturday evening. Although they left on Sunday morning, they also left behind rubbish and pallets on the Greensward. Declan Salter was thanked for clearing up, removing and disposing of the same.

3 **The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on 20 May 2026 and the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Chenies Parish Council on 27 June 2026 were duly approved.**

4 **Updates from Buckinghamshire Council**

Cllr Carl Jackson advised that the final consultation on the local plan was commencing for 6 weeks from 23 July 2026. This is the last chance for comments to be made and Carl encouraged both the PC and residents to let their thoughts be known.

5 **Clerks Report** – Nothing to report.

6 **Finance**

The bank account was duly reconciled to 22 June 2026 – Balance: £31,108.21

The following were approved for payment:

Chiltern Society – subs - £30.00
Ashley Hougham Property Services – Fixing of new information board - £177.62
Nature Sign Design – Production of information board - £1,476

New bank account – the meeting was advised that the new bank accounts were set up and that steps now need to be made to transfer funds and close the Santander Account. PM will review.

7 **Planning Applications**

Update from last meeting:

PL/20/0429/FA Chiltern Hills Golf Course, Green Street, Chorleywood, Hertfordshire Proposal: Amendments to extant planning permissions CH/2010/0133/VRC and CH/2003/1758/FA as allowed on appeal, Inspectorate's reference APP/X0415/A/03/1133807 and CH/2017/2292/FA to allow for the recontouring of part of the original application site to include a golf driving range/practice area and green plateau for use as football playing pitches, including one full size football pitch with eight 15m high flood lighting columns. Erection of a temporary clubhouse to serve football club for a period of 5 years (pending implementation of the main clubhouse) and associated access, landscaping and parking. PC objected to this application on 6 March 2023 – Chorleywood PC were also advised of the application for their consideration. PC wrote again objecting to the application and supporting the comments made in the Chilterns Conservation Board letter of 16 January 2025.

PL/22/2081/FA App type: Full Application (Householder) Location: Keepers Cottage, 1 Latimer Road, Chenies, Buckinghamshire, WD3 6EY Proposal: Retrospective application for the erection of a replacement single storey outbuilding. – PC has not raised any objections to retrospective application. Decided – permission refused. This matter has been referred to Planning Enforcement for action. Appeal in progress – appeal dismissed on 27 September 2024 – permission refused. PC have been advised that the matter was passed to the Secretary for State in May 2025 - and is now with Secretary for State for the final resolution – Enforcement Notice has been upheld.

PL/22/1971/FA Application type: Full Planning Permission Location: Graciefields Farm, Latimer Road, Chenies, Buckinghamshire, Proposal: Erection of two mobile free range egg production units and two feed silos (part retrospective) – Decided – permission refused – decision appealed and appeal failed and the enforcement action was upheld – the owner has until September 2026 to return Gracies Field to its prior state and condition. PC will monitor developments.

PL/24/1963/FA Meadows Farm, Amersham Road, Chenies, Buckinghamshire, WD3 6DP, Proposal: Demolition of existing non-agricultural barn and hardstanding to be replaced with a single storey, single family dwelling with

associated parking and landscaping. Parish Council wrote objecting to this application on 25 July 2024 – decided - approved.

PL/24/2859/FA Chiltern Hills Golf Course, Green Street, Chorleywood, Hertfordshire, , Proposal: Reconfiguration of existing 9-hole golf course and construction of a golf driving range; construction of green plateau for use as football playing pitches, including 1no. permanent 11v11 football pitch with floodlights; erection of temporary changing facilities; erection of permanent clubhouse; and associated access, landscaping and parking. PC objected to this application – 16/01/2025

PL/26/00152/HB Listed Building Consent for alterations, extension or demolition of a listed building. Tudors, Great Green Street Farm, Green Street, Chorleywood, WD3 6EA Proposal: Listed building consent for the proposed removal of existing porch canopy and erection of a new porch canopy to external door on western elevation of house. – No objections raised – decided – consent approved.

PL/26/01945/FA The Keep 100 Lodge Lane Little Chalfont Buckinghamshire HP8 4AH Proposal: Part-single/part-two storey rear extension, roof alterations and a single storey outbuilding. – No objections raised – awaiting decision

PL/26/02420/EU Lodge Farm Lodge Lane Little Chalfont Buckinghamshire HP8 4AH Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness for existing boundary fencing comprising timber posts, wire mesh and artificial ivy screening along the site boundary - Decision – refuse operations.

PL/26/03016/TP The Lodge Village Road Chenies Buckinghamshire WD3 6ER Proposal: T1 (Hawthorn) - Fell and T2 (Cherry) - Crown reduction by 1-2m – No objections raised – decided – approved.

PL/26/01887/FA Mirabel 3 Phillips Hill Cottages Old Shire Lane Chorleywood WD3 5PN Proposal: Construction of a rear swim spa with a gazebo – No objections raised.

New applications

PL/26/03800/FA Lodge Farm , Lodge Lane, Little Chalfont HP8 4AH
Proposal: Erection of equestrian building and change of use of land to equestrian (retrospective). PC objected to this application 01/07/2026

PL/26/04530/FA Chenies Stables, Claypit Lane, Chenies, WD3 6EJ
Proposal: Erection of three timber field shelters with associated works – PC objected to this application on 14 July 2026.

PL/26/05118/KA Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area Location: Latimer Park Farm , Latimer Road, Latimer, Buckinghamshire, HP5 1TU Proposal: T1 Beech - Remove 2 selected limbs growing east back to source. Reduce limb growing over pond by 5m. T2 Willow reduce overhanging branches

over seat area by up to 6m. Remove hanging branch over lake. – No objections raised.

8 **Footpaths / Bridleways**

Signage to/from Chess Valley Walk - JS carried out a Path Survey on 21st July with Laura Silverstone & Andrew Clark, National Chilterns Landscape, to/from the village to the Chess Valley Walk. National Chiltern Landscape will now be preparing a report on signage required with locations and costs to be established as they are funding this project.

An email has been received from a Parishioner raising concern in respect of overgrown footpaths and also concern over the view from the humpback bridge at the bottom of Chenies Hill. The footpath concerns were reported to the land owner and the overgrowth from the humpback bridge is currently in the process of being trimmed.

9 **Traffic/Highway matters**

Update on Village Speedwatch is currently on pause due to holidays – it will return shortly.

Thanks go out to Villagers, Holly & Gill who have agreed to look after and recharge the MVAS machine.

Quotes for re-kerbing/kerbing sections around the green and Claypits Lane – quotes have been obtained. It is noted that some of the kerb stones around the Green have been corrected as a result of the recent resurfacing works.

A suggestion was made that the 30mph speed limit be moved to the edge of the Village, with a view to reducing the speed of motorists before they enter the Village – CJ advised that he would discuss with Bucks Council Highways Dept.

10 **Best Kept Village competition 2026** – A big thank you to the whole Village for their assistance preparing for the competition. We are currently awaiting the results.

With thanks to the Chenies Village Society, we also have a planter by the Chenies sign in Chenies Bottom.

11 **Community Board**

- The new information board has been installed outside the Bedford Arms on the - Greensward – it has generally been well received.
- The Baptist Youth Club is slowly making progress with funding currently being considered by the Community Board.
- Mini Library – awaiting update from the Community Board

12 **Additional waste bin on Greensward near the Cricket Club** – awaiting an update from Bucks Council – MN will chase.

13 **Chenies Cricket Club –** Nothing to report.

14 **River Chess –** Increased phosphate in the river is still causing high algae and plant growth that is affecting the river environment. Paul Jennings is in discussion with Thames Water to find a solution.

15 **Extension of Conservation area** – It's been agreed with Bucks Heritage team that the next step is to put together a detailed brief that they can send out to consultants to get a more accurate sense of costs. Their aim is to put together a solid, evidence based, brief from which they can develop the right policy hooks to aid the planning function and guide residents. To assist they have asked if we can start to gather local knowledge, publications and any research to help support the areas of land we would like to see included and circulate by September. As part of this, we can review our initial thoughts on land we think should be protected, especially if we have evidence to help support its inclusion.

Latimer have advised that there are a couple of old books written about Latimer that they are trying to get hold of, we probably need to go back to some of Chenies residents to see if there is anything we can provide. Perhaps historical maps, photographs etc and then we can update/annotate the plan.

DL & PS are planning to compare notes with Latimer PC in mid-August.

16 **Madges Fields** – Councillors met up with the owner of Madges fields to discuss his plans and proposals. At this stage nothing is definite, other than the planning application for fixed field shelters. PC to keep in touch with the owner and monitor/keep abreast of developments

17 **Asset register** – JS & MN – Nothing to report

18 **Lease of Village Green** – PS has recommended lease renewal. Contact to made with the Bedford Estate in this respect shortly.

19 **Chenies Village Newsletter** – has been circulated and generally well received.

20 **PC website review** – JS/MN have reviewed and need to do some work to bring it up to date – including updating the Village Emergency Plan.

21 **Travellers & Fire in Bedford Close –** The Rapid Response Whatsapp group proved more than useful with travellers coming to the Village. In no time, Villagers had secured the field at the entrance to the Village, monitored the activities of the travellers during the evening and called the fire service in respect of their fires. Villagers then cleared up after them the next day once they had left.

The thoughts of the Parish Council and the Village go out to all those affected by the fire in Bedford Close. This was a scary and devastating event causing a great deal of concern for the residents of Bedford Close and also of course to the residents in the affected properties. The Parish Council have been asked to write

to Paradigm Homes in this respect, expressing our concern and requesting confirmation of their adherence to statutory health and safety inspections.

There being no other business, the meeting was duly closed at 9:15pm

Dates of future meetings of Chenies Parish Council:

Wednesday 16 September 2026 Wednesday 18 November 2026