Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Chilton held on Wednesday 27th April 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Present	Mr I Thompson	Chairman
	Mr R Beech	
	Mr C Broad	
	Mr F Dumbleton	
	Mr T Garrett	
	Mr B Morris	
	Mr S Lilly	County Councillor
	Mrs M Turner	District Councillor
	Mr R Waite	District Councillor
	Mrs M E Morris	Parish Clerk
For David Wilson Homes	Ms S Christie	Land Manager
	Mr D Stephens	Engineer
For Bovis Homes	Mr N Holden	Senior Land Manager
	Mr R Stroud	Area Design Manager
For IDP Architects	Mr B Flippance	Architect

Approx. 100 members of the public for presentation
48 members of the public for item 4 onwards

1. **Apologies for Absence** were received from Mr D Clayton, Mr J Baron, PCSO Clayden and Mrs S North.

2. The Chairman welcomed representatives from David Wilson Homes and Bovis Homes.

3. Mr Flippance gave a presentation to the meeting on the progress of the Chilton Field development. He outlined the present position and noted that the meeting was a preliminary one, there is to be a consultation exhibition on Wednesday 4th May in the Hall. This is when everyone can give their views on Chilton Field. Points raised included a bus route, how should the open space be laid out, where the community building should be placed and what style should it be. There is to be a mix of housing and will include 69 affordable housing units. Of these 69 units, 25% will be shared ownership and 75% rented, they will be managed by SOHA. The road works for the site access will be carried out over the school summer holidays. The School has already been contacted and also the Local Education Authority. The lack of shop was raised; the Vale had felt that one was not viable so it was removed from the Section 106 agreement. Landscape services at the Vale have been consulted re the trees and an ecologist has been on site regarding the orchids.

The representatives of David Wilson Homes and Bovis and members of the public then left the meeting.

4. **Chairman's Report**
This had previously been printed in the Chronicle. There were no comments.

5. **Resumé**
A resumé of last year's meeting was read out.

6. Matters Arising

The Chairman reported that Oxfordshire Highways had been contacted regarding a 20mph speed limit in the Village and monitoring showed that the mean speed was less than 30mph. Extra dog bins had been applied for but there is no money available for new ones. Broadband has been reported regularly

7. Comments on Items in the Chronicle

Mrs Crennell complained that the dates of the Chronicle distribution don't always link with the articles printed. The Chairman said the format of the Chronicle may change.
Ms King asked if the wording of the Police "Have Your say" could be changed to "Come along and say Hello". The Clerk will contact the PCSO's. Following the articles re Broadband, the Council has contacted the Chilton Field developers.

8. County Council Report

Mr Lilly reported that the new Budget came into effect from 1st April and work is already starting on next year's Budget. In a national review the Fire and Rescue Service were the 2nd most efficient in the UK. The Harwell Relief Road is still due to be constructed and is now a priority as money is coming in from the Gt Western Section 106. Bus passes are now administered by the County Council and can be used from 9.00am onwards. Later in the year there will be a through ticket available to the John Radcliffe Hospital. There will be new Park and Ride buses this year. The MBT plant and an anaerobic digester are still being planned for Sutton Courtenay. Mr Lilly said to let him know if potholes do not get filled in within 8 weeks of reporting.
Mr Lilly was asked if there was an update on the bus consultation – there is a public meeting at Grove on Thursday 12th May at Grove Village Hall from 2 – 5pm. He also asked if people would be interested in a late night service of the X32 on Friday and Saturdays.

9. District Council Report

Mrs Turner said that she had enjoyed her time as the Parish Representative over the past few years, she feels very strongly that the amount of work the Parish Councillors have done has been immense. Chilton is very lucky with the amount of consultation that David Wilson Homes are prepared to do and she welcomes the open and frank way the developers are working with the community.
Mr Waite thanked everyone for all their patience and forbearance with all the problems encountered following the many changes at the Vale. At times it has been difficult to contact the correct officers. In the six months since the start of the new waste collection the amount going to landfill has substantially reduced and more than 70% of Chilton's waste is now recycled. There have been some problems for residents wishing to vote by post. The AV polling form has been delivered but the District Council form should be delivered by 28th April.
Mr Waite ended by saying that both he and Mrs Turner wish to record the first class working relationship they have had with the Parish Council and Parish Clerk and thanked them for ensuring the Parish is well administered.
Mrs Howells thanked Mr Waite for all the support shown to her family when her house was damaged.

10. Area Beat Officer's Report

The Clerk read a short report from PCSO Clayden. He reported that on 26th April PCSO Baker had ensured the "Nottingham Knockers" who had been selling in the Village without a peddlars license were moved out of the Village and escorted to Milton Interchange. PCSO Baker thanked the residents who asked if he was ok. There have been complaints about youngsters gathering in The Orchids, the PCSO's will keep a watch on the situation.

11. Scout Group Report

Vicky Howells said that there are 85 members aged 6 – 14½ with 15 young people on the waiting list. There are 10 volunteers who help each week and 2 young leaders under 18years. There are also the Group Executive Committee plus parent representatives.

In the past year the Scouts have had 37 nights away, 7 Chief Scout Gold Award recipients and 9 Chief Beaver Scout Gold Award recipients. They have been involved in community work; clearing up in the Churchyard, litter picking, work on the School garden and the bus stop is to be painted.

Vicky thanked Pete and Marcia Oliver, who stepped down at Christmas, for all their hard work with the Cubs since 2007.

Vicky reported that the Group had a problem with lack of storage space and really needed their own meeting place. The majority of the members are from Chilton.

12. Chilton School Report

The Clerk read a report from Sandra North, the new Headteacher. She said that she was very excited about the challenges ahead for the School with the new housing development. David Wilson Homes have already had several meetings with the School and a Year 3 pupil picked the name Chestnut Fields. The development will have an impact on school admissions and it means that the number of out of catchment pupils will decrease.

Mrs North is very keen about outdoor education and is determined to create a school where children are both confident in, and familiar with, the environment in which they live. The School is beginning to look at an opportunity to do just this on the piece of land that is opposite the School. Mrs North would like to attend a future Parish Council meeting and outline these plans.

The new Rector and his family have visited the School and anyone who wishes to visit the School is very welcome to make an appointment to come into School.

Mrs North looks forward to finding out about the village and working with the Parish Council in the future.

13. Village Hall Management Committee Report

Mr Morris reported that as the Hall is now approaching 30 years old the upkeep of facilities and renewal/improvement of fabric continues to be a first priority. Works this year include the replacement of the Meeting Room chairs, the periodic electrical inspection and a major revamp of the loft water pipe and tank insulation. All the work has been funded from the Committee's reserves and operating income.

Bookings continue at an excellent level, this means the Hall is in use every weekday evening and also during the day. Mr John Baron was welcomed as the new Treasurer. Thanks to careful housekeeping, the finances are in good shape so there has been no rate rise this year.

In December the OTC production of Alice in Wonderland played to a packed house. The Jungle Book has been booked for the Hall's Christmas 2011 family show. Regrettably the OTC has lost its Arts Council Grant, having already lost a grant from the Vale. It is probable that after the 2011 – 12 season the OTC will not be able to run. Villagers should make their concerns known about the cutbacks to the District Councillors and MP Ed Vaizey.

14. Appointment of Two Independent Representatives to the Village Hall Committee

Mr Woods was proposed by Mr Richardson, seconded by Mr Thompson and accepted by all. Mr Smith was nominated by Mr Woods, seconded by Mrs Goodall and accepted by all. Mr Maughan gave a vote of thanks to Mr Smith for doing the Treasurers role as well as Chairman until Mr Baron could take over. It was noted that more volunteers are needed to come on to the VHMC.

15. General Discussion

(i) Mrs Woods said that she took issue with the way the County read the speed survey figures. She also felt the Parish Council had not done enough to get the speed limit dropped. The Chairman explained that Mr Ronald had written to say that no new 20mph were being introduced in the County until more monitoring had been carried out. Also due to budgetary restrictions priority is given to sites with a history of personal injury accidents. A speed survey was carried out in December for a week, 24hours a day. The result showed that there was not a problem with speeding as the mean speed is less than 30mph.

Mrs Walter Swann said that she would like to see a copy of the speed report. To be sent to her.

Mr Pickford said that if the mean is less than 30 then a considerable number are faster than 30 mph. It was noted that buses going up Lower Road are often on the wrong side. A request to start a petition was made. There were also suggestions for bollards or speed cushions. It was suggested that white lines could be painted on either side of the road to give the appearance of narrowing. Mr Thompson will contact Oxfordshire Highways.

The pavement on Lower Road crosses from one side to the other just on the bend, a mirror would be helpful. The Clerk to contact Oxfordshire Highways.

Mr Smith asked about the one-way system proposed past the School. This is temporary during the construction of the access road.

(ii) Mr Richardson asked if all the points raised at the exhibition on the 4th May would be made public, it was thought they would be. He said that he welcomed all the open space shown on the plans, but how will it be managed, the Parish Council must make sure they will be able to maintain it.

(iii) Why is there a very large open area shown? The area is remediated land and is very expensive to build on as extra deep foundations would be required.

(iv) The original area to be built on was around Wayland Crescent, why was it moved and what will happen to the original area? The area has been reserved for science development, particularly users of Diamond.

(v) What future plans are there for the UKAEA Site – it is not known.

(vi) Is the possible redevelopment of North Drive still likely? It is thought so.

(vii) Mr Webber asked if the yellow salt bin at the top of Latton Close could be painted green. The Clerk will enquire.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and thanked the Parish Councillors for their work. Mr Thompson then thanked Mr Garrett, who is standing down from the Council, very much for all his hard work over the past nine years and said he had always given very wise, considered comments. He will be greatly missed.

The meeting was closed at 9.55pm.