

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY
9th April 2015 AT 7.30 PM AT CLIFTON COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Present: Cllrs Barry Livesey (Chair), Mrs Pauline Livesey, Ian Pacey,
Judy Lanham, Martin Ephgrave, Rupert Puritz, Ray Dart, Steve Langton.

In attendance: Bob Smith and Adrian Cree

149. Apologies for absence were received from Brian Padgett, Simon Fish,
Rita Drinkwater and Richard Wenham. Terry Cobb may arrive late.

There were no declarations of interest

Public forum

It was reported that Clifton Residents Association were holding a meeting on 20th May at the Church Hall which would include a presentation re Health Watch. It was reported that there had been a problem with buses breaking down. Concerns regarding the heavy goods vehicles serving the New Road Dev were discussed including the vibrations, the access to the site.

Tracey Norman answered questions relating to her proposal to have a Circus next year on the field to raise funding for the PTA. She reported that the cost would be £2800 for the circus and she intended to sell tickets for 600 seats to cover the cost. The date would be 12th July 2016 and would be from 6 – 8pm. The circus would arrive in x8 3.5tonne trucks and erect a 50 x 50 sq. marquee that would be 165ft tall. She would need the use of the toilets and changing rooms and possibly the meeting room/main hall for refreshments and hoped to make £3000 profit. The council agreed to discuss the proposal later in the meeting.

150. The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 12th March 2015 were

Confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

- 151. Police report** – it was reported that a number of changes were going to take in the future. The PCSO would be in Clifton 1 whole day a month, response officers are coming back to Biggleswade from 1st June. The crime report was read out, the Clerk to check the emails as when Gillian is not able to attend she sends a report by email.
- 152. S106 Funding** – in the absence of Richard Wenham it was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting
- 153. Community Centre Matters.** It was agreed that Woolgars carry out the upgrades to the electrics ASAP. Signage – it was agreed that Ray Dart continue with negotiating a price and report back at next meeting. The changing room floors needed replacing before the school holidays. Judy to look into and find out who we have had quotes from in the past. The caretaker would be taking a holiday in June and therefore his duties would need to be covered. It was agreed that we charge £150 to the PTA for the use of the field for the circus. The sink in the bar area of the main hall needs to be fixed – agenda item for next meeting.
- 154. Highway matters.** Clerk to arrange a site meeting re the suggestion of an additional bus shelter. Chase up Nick Carrowfellow re the posts at the bottom of New Road past the pond into Grange Street. The sign that has been placed on the triangle by the PTA needs to be removed as the grass cutting contractor will not cut the grass. Clerk to contact the PTA advising them to move it. The defibrillator has to be moved as it's not in the right place – the Landlord will deal with this. The training session needs to be arranged and Steve Langton and Rupert Puritz agreed to carry out the checks.
- 155. The Pond** - Judy Langham and Terry Cobb would continue to remove the litter from the pond and it was reported that many comments had been received regarding how clean the pond was looking.
- 156. Finance** – all the invoices for payment were approved.
- 157. Date for next meeting** – 14th May 2015 at 7.30pm

