

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 14TH MAY 2015 AT 7.30 PM AT CLIFTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Cllrs Barry Livesey (Chair), Mrs Pauline Livesey, Ian Pacey, Judy Lanham, Adrian Cree, Martin Ephgrave, Rupert Puritz, Ray Dart and Phil Lawrence

In attendance: Bob Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Cllr Richard Wenham, Cllr Ian Dalgarno and Cllr David Shelby

Apologies for absence were received from Steve Langton.

158. Election of Officers It was proposed by Simon Fish and seconded by Rupert Puritz that **Barry Livesey remains a Chair of the Council**. All were in favour. Barry Livesey accepted the post and advised that it would be good to have a few academy meetings throughout the forthcoming year for new and old members of the council to discuss the history of the council. It was proposed by Pauline Livesey and seconded by Judy Lanham that Simon Fish remains Vice Chair, Simon Fish accepted the position. All were in favour.

Playing Field and Community Centre Committee

Rupert Puritz, Judy Lanham, Martin Ephgrave, Ray Dart, Steve Langton, Phil Lawrence

Highways Committee

Pauline Livesey, Barry Livesey, Ian Pacey, Steve Langton, Simon Fish and Adrian Cree

Planning Committee

Simon Fish, Judy Langham, Pauline Livesey, Barry Livesey, Ian Pacey, Rupert Puritz and Phil Lawrence

Finance Committee

Barry Livesey, Simon Fish, Chair of Playing Field and Community Centre Committee and Chair of the Highways.

159. There were no declarations of interest

The meeting was adjourned for the Public Forum

Bob Smith advised the council of the meeting of the Residents Association of the 20th May and members of the council were invited to attend.

Central Bedfordshire Councillors were introduced. It was advised that the S106 policy could be replaced with a Community & Infrastructure levy and the consultation for this would take place between 18th May and 29th June. It was suggested that local councils in close proximity to each other hold quarterly meetings.

New Road Development - Yellow lines have been removed which will cause problems with patch parking, they need to be reinstated on the west side . There is no provision for a crossing for pedestrians, it was suggested that the S106 money is used to provide a crossing in Harbrook Lane. Richard Wenham provided a map of the proposed crossing points, speed humps and double yellow lines and asked for the opinion of the Parish Councillors to take back to the development committee.

160. Police Report – Barry Livesey read out the report appendix to these minutes.

161. Calendar of Meetings – the draft calendar of meetings was not approved as it was agreed that the Playing Field/Community Centre Committee should meet monthly and the Highway every other month when needed. Meetings will take place next week on Tuesday and Thursday.

162. Community Centre Matters – Woolgars to be instructed to carry out the remedial repairs for £501.15

Quotations for the extension to the storage building, Simon Fish declared his interest and left the meeting. Four quotes were Opened by the Chair and it was agreed unanimously that the quote from R & J Carpentry and Building Services Ltd be accepted for £6470.50. Clerk to instruct the work and stipulate that all site and materials are compounded whilst the work is carried out as the Parish Council cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage.

Quotation for the flooring from Roysia was accepted and the clerk was instructed to ask them to schedule the work asap.

Thanks were given to Pauline Livesey and Martin Ephgrave for all their hard work in tidying the gardens outside the community centre.

163. Playing Field Matters – Clerk to check with BRCC re safety check training. It was suggested that Bob Anderson (Caretaker) carry out the training and the inspections in the future.

It was agreed that the Parish Council fund the new line marking machine for the football club.

164. Highways – Bus stop – site meeting had taken place with Nick Dolan and quotes were being sought. Agenda item next meeting.

Barry and Pauline Livesey had met with Nick Carrowfellow re new kerb stones around the war memorial to match those at the pond. It was also suggested that a kerb is put in from the pond into Grange Street
The Residents Association had some funding from Aragon Housing for a community garden. This will be discussed at the Highways meeting next week.

Concerns related to speeding on Church Lane were raised and it was suggested that we look funding for speed humps.

165. Pond – Judy Lanham reported that some litter had been removed but she was unable to retrieve the battery that had been thrown in without going in the pond. She said she would arrange to go in next week.

166. Finance – all invoices for payment were approved. The bank balances were Current Account 4331.05 and Savings 92944.93

Meeting closed at 9.25pm

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Appendix 1

POLICE REPORT

The following crimes have been recorded in Clifton since the last meeting

Assaults

- 24/04/2015 - 1 X Assault with Injury in New Road
- 18/04/2015 – 3 X Assault without injury in Billberry Road
- 13/04/2015 – 1X Assault without injury in Broad Street

Burglary in a dwelling – New Road x 3

- 13/04/2015 – Unknown offenders have walked into a property and left location. Unknown if anything was taken.
- 12/04/2015 – Offender has gained entry to the property and removed various items. Offender was located and arrested.
- 09/04/2015 – Unknown offender has gained entry via a side door and removed a cement mixer from location.

Burglary Other – Grange Street

- 30/04/2015 – Unknown offenders have stolen various items including a generator from location.

Theft

- 15/04/2015 – Known suspect to the victim has stolen a safe from location that contained a large amount of money.
- 09/04/2015 – Known offender has taken a bank card from victim and withdrawn money.

Possession of Drugs – Church Street

- 16/04/2015 – Member of the public stopped by police officers. When officers conducted a search of the person, they found some white powder and wraps. Offender was arrested at the scene.

Public order – Jubilee Close

- 17/04/2015 – Known offender was arrested at the scene by officers for fighting and causing damage at location.

Other Sexual offenses: On – going Police investigation.