

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY
12th November AT 7.30 PM AT CLIFTON COMMUNITY CENTRE.

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

In attendance: 12 Members of public, Bob Smith, CBC Richard Wenham and David Shelvey

212. Declaration of Interests – there were none

Public participation adjourned at 7.32 reconvened at 8.05pm

Residents from Stanford Lane attended the meeting to express their concerns and objections to the application made to CBC planning to a variation to the Gipsy/Travelers site in the Stanford Parish. They had not received any consultation. Cllr Wenham explained that the authority was only obliged to consult on a variation with properties within 200 meters of the development. The Chair explained that the Parish Council had sent in an objection and encouraged the residents to do the same and if possible attend the development meeting at Chicksands on the 9th December.

Mr and Mrs Shacklock attended the meeting to express that they were not happy with the position of the new Community Centre sign. Correspondence had been received and would be discussed later in the meeting.

213. Apologies for absence – apologies were received from PCSO Gillian Richardson

214. Police Report – a police report had been submitted in Gillian Richardson's absence and was read out by the Chair. A copy is appendix to these minutes.

215. Reports from Central Bedfordshire Council – it was reported that Luton, Beds and Milton Keynes authorities were partaking in the local development plan and should encourage joined up thinking. Updates on Passenger Transport, School admissions were now on the CBC website. Gladman had resubmitted the planning applications with no changes. CBC councillors advised that this is a strategy they carry out as developers.

216. To confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on 8th October 2015 – the minutes were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair

217. Matters Arising

Thanks were given to those you helped with the preparation of the memorial and the Remembrance service.

The Fire Assembly point sign had not been delivered **Action** Clerk to chase up the order.

218. Correspondence

A letter from Mr Meadows had been read received and was read out. It was agreed that the PF&CC committee would look into the costs to extend the nets. **Action** – Clerk to write to the football club highlighting the importance of the nets being put up prior to the games and no balls to be kicked in the said direction until the game has started.

The email from Mr and Mrs Shacklock was addressed and it was agreed that the PF & CC committee would look into the location and discuss at their next meeting.

Mr J Ferguson and requested an increase in the amount he was paid for litter picking. **Resolved** to increase his monthly amount from £60 to £70.

The extension to the storage building was almost complete and the retrospective building control application fee had been requested. **Resolved** to pay £300 to CBC.

A letter from Rosetta Triolo had been received with the offer to attend a meeting of the Parish Council. It was agreed not to take up the offer at this present time.

219. Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations – there were no updates as the next meeting was not scheduled until 26th November. Mrs Livesey will attend.

220. Community Centre Matters – it was reported that the light in the changing room was not working. Clerk to ask Woolgars to repair it when they come to install the new hand dryers. A discussion relating to the renewal of the footpath surrounding the centre was held. It was agreed to seek quotes and discuss further at the PF and CC meeting on 19th November. Ray Dart reported that the baby swing was in the process of being repaired but it may need a complete new seat.

221. Highway Matters – the minutes of the last meeting of the Highways was read out and further discussions would take place at the next meeting on the 19th November in respect of Rural Match Funding.

Barry Livesey agreed to contact Craig Siddal regarding the clearing of leaves.

Pauline Livesey reported that she had contacted David Alderman regarding the trees and that she would be looking into the purchase of Christmas trees.

222. Report of the Planning Committee – issues had been discussed the public forum at the start of the meeting. It was agreed that Elisabeth Smith would be elected onto the committee as an alternative when other members were absent.

223. Finance Matters Outstanding debtors and approval of items for payment – all invoices were approved for payment. The bank balances as of 12th November were Current Acc £5074.44 and Savings £82439.11

224. Date of next Council Meeting and confirmation of Committee meeting dates – next Council meeting on 10th December will start at 7.15pm to allow time for the guest speaker Mr Olly Martins. Committees to meet on 19th November starting at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

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