

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY 8th SEPTEMBER AT 7.30 PM AT CLIFTON COMMUNITY CENTRE.

Councillors Present: Mr. B Livesey (Chairman), Mrs. P Livesey, Mr M Ephgrave, Mrs E Smith, Mr S Langton, Mr R Puritz, Mr P Lawrence, Mr S Fish, Mr I Pacey and Mr. A Cree

Also present: CBC Cllrs Wenham and Shelvey

324. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs J Lanham

325. Central Bedfordshire Councillors report;

- Peter Fraser requested that up to date details of all Parish Councillors were forwarded to him.
- The report from the Town and Parish Council conference is now available via the CBC website.
- Call for sites: the sites will now be filtered for suitability for 13/14,000 houses. The closure of RAF Henlow will have a huge potential for housing, but this will not be determined for a couple of years.
- School admissions for 2017/18 are now open
- Hitchin Lane Gladman appeal has been filed.
- The damaged lamppost outside the school had still not been repaired. A discussion relating to the cost of repair was entered. CBC confirmed that a new policy had been initiated regarding street lights repairs and at the time it was felt that the lamppost in question did not warrant a repair and would be left in its current state. This was met with dissatisfaction from the Parish Council as it was not only a much needed light but in its current state was not acceptable to the street scene. Mr B Livesey to write to CBC outlining the disapproval of this decision.
- It was reported that at the top of New Road poles had been put in place with no sign on them. Mr Livesey had reported this but had received no acknowledgment of his report from CBC. He expressed that the new format for reporting Highways issues was not working and reports were not being followed up or acknowledged.

326. The minutes of the meeting held on 21st July 2016 were confirmed by the members and signed by the Chair

327. Matters that arose from those minutes:

- Shutter in the hall had now been fixed
- The Chair was still looking into the Grass Cutting of the area in The Joint to be added to the current contract
- To look into registering land adjacent to the Grange as an asset of the Community.

328. Correspondence: Apart from the forwarded email correspondence, the Crime Commissioners meeting will take place on Saturday with the agenda to discuss Rural Crime. Any councillor wishing to attend should notify the Clerk. Mr Livesey to speak to Gary from Street Watch to see if he could attend.
329. Community Centre report: No meeting had taken place since June. It was reported that Bob had capped off the water supply to the sink in the bar area. The new chiller cabinet was not in place under the counter.
330. Highways matters: a meeting will be held next week to discuss any new and current issues
331. Planning Matters; plans were currently on circulation and when returned Mr S Langton will make the comments on behalf of the Parish Council
332. Pond Matters; Nothing to report
333. Finance Matters; all accounts were approved for payment. A report of expenditure and income was handed to those present. Current Account balance £25085.72, Savings account balance £63376.32
334. Confirm date for next meeting(s)

Playing field and Community Centre 22nd September 7.00pm

Highways 22nd September 8.00pm

Full Council 13th October 7.30pm