

# CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING of the CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL held at the Market Hall on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at 7.30pm.

**PRESENT** Cllr K. Reynolds (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs B. Davies, Mrs D. Brown, & Messrs G. Carter, J. Griffiths & M. Reiner.

0 members of the Public were present.

## 1.1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

**Cllr Mrs R. Lloyd** (Prior engagement)

**Cllr G. Butler** (Feeling unwell)

The **Chairman** wished everyone a Happy New Year and read out a letter he had received from **Cllr C Genese** saying that due to increased work commitments he was submitting his resignation to take effect immediately. **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** said this Council should write to **Cllr Genese** and thank him for his input over the last two years. The Clerk was asked to contact Trudy Gough, Electoral Officer, South Shropshire District Council and inform her of the situation.

## 1.2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

**Cllr G. Carter** declared a Prejudicial Interest in Agenda items 1.7 (a), (b) & (f)

**Cllr Mrs B. Davies** declared a Personal Interest in Agenda items 1.8.23

**Cllr M. Reiner** declared a Personal Interest in Agenda items 1.7 (e)

## 1.3 TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2008

**Cllr M. Reiner** said the minute about the flooding at New Bridge should read Mr Phil James not Phil Jones.

It was proposed by **Cllr G. Carter** and seconded by **Cllr Mrs D. Brown** that the minutes, with the above correction, be adopted as a true record **RESOLVED** (All in favour)

## 1.4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

## 1.5. PARISH MATTERS.

1.5.1 **Cllr M. Reiner** said the hedge in Childe Road hadn't been cut. **Cllr G. Carter** said the state the hedge was in was caused by a certain lady hacking the hedge. **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** said she was seeing Glyn Shaw, Shropshire County Council about their promise to erect signs to stop large lorries trying to go down the narrow part of Childe Road and she would mention the problem with the hedge.

1.5.2 **Cllr M. Reiner** said he had reported that he had met Phil James, Shropshire County Council about the flooding at New Bridge but there had been no improvement. He said the New Bridge was flooded again on the 30<sup>th</sup> December and all they did was to put up Flood Warning signs. The Clerk was asked to write to the County Council.

## 1.5. PARISH MATTERS (CONTINUED).

1.5.3 **Cllr Mrs D. Brown** said she had received comments about vehicles being parked on the pavement just above the Bell Inn. The **Chairman** said this problem has been going on for years and he suggested that the matter be raised at the meeting next month when PC Sarah Payne hoped to attend.

1.5.4 **Cllr Mrs D. Brown** said the gritting from Cleobury Mortimer to the Horse and Jockey had been much better this year but Worcester County Council had not been gritting from the county border to the A456. The Clerk said he would write to the authorities. The **Chairman** said Love Lane through to Langlands Road & Ronhill had been very slippery and the conditions were that bad that a 4-wheeled drive vehicle had gone through a hedge by the Primary School. **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** said we have tried to get the school routes gritted but the County Council say it's not in their remit.

1.5.5 **Cllr J. Griffiths** said the 20/30MPH signs just to the east of Hems, High Street are too close to the pavement. He had a wing mirror on a large vehicle hit the sign the other day resulting in a bill of £300. **Cllr J. Griffiths** said the road is very narrow at this point. **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** agreed and said there are often hold ups at this point and suggested we raise this matter with Glyn Shaw, Shropshire County Council.

1.5.6 **Cllr G. Carter** said the Salt Bin at the Lea View/Catherston Road junction had been removed. The Clerk was asked to inform Shropshire County Councils' Highway Department.

1.5.7 **Cllr G. Carter** said there had been further flooding at Cleobury Mill and asked if the Parish Council had managed to get any sand bags. The **Chairman** said **Cllr G. Butler** said he would look into the possibility of getting a supply of sand bags. The members debated where they could store sand.

1.5.8 **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** said she had received complaints about the mole hills in the Cemetery. She said Mr A. Mantle had told her that Mr D Bowen had placed an advert in Cleobury News offering his service for catching moles. The **Chairman** said he would get the details from Mr Mantle.

1.5.9 **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** said there was a proliferation of rats around the Electric Substation in the Hurst. The Clerk was asked to notify Mr Steve Price, Environment Department, South Shropshire District Council.

1.5.10 The **Chairman** said the following streetlights were out at the following places (1) outside 40 Furlongs Road (2) Three in Lea View (3) One outside Mr M Chopin's house in Catherston Road.. The Clerk said there have been problems with the light in Catherston Road and agenda items 1.6.19 & 1.6.20 deal with this matter. He said Natalie Owen, Pysmian says they have been out and reset the clock again, due to a faulty calendar. Their electrician suggests a new lantern and rewire if this happens again, however the Parish Council will need to specify what type of lantern we require i.e. should it match the other streetlights in Catherston Road.

1.5.11 The **Chairman** said he was concerned about the number of businesses that have closed and he felt they were entitled to compensation. **Cllr J. Griffiths** said Severn Trent paid compensation when businesses were disrupted. **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** said it was up to the Chamber of Trade to seek compensation. **Cllr J. Griffiths** said it appears to be a Chamber of non-traders. **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** said it is not within the Parish Councils remit.

## 1.5. PARISH MATTERS (CONTINUED).

1.5.12 The **Chairman** said when he and **Cllr Mrs D. Brown** walked around the town to consider the location of the benches they agreed that the railings at the A4117 side of the Cemetery needed painting. He said he would get quotes and submit them at the February meeting.

1.5.13 **Cllr M. Reiner** said the benches at Lower Inhedge and the Cemetery did not have concrete bases and the legs would become rotten very quickly. **Cllr G. Carter** said he would look at them and report back to this Council.

## 1.6 CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS

1.6.1 From South Shropshire District Council, Planning and Building Control saying they have GRANTED PERMISSION to the following Planning Applications subject to conditions.

App. No.1/08/21206/F – Erection of a 7.5 metre windcharger and associated solar panel – Land at Withypool Farm, Cleobury Mortimer – Severn Trent Water Ltd.

App. No.1/08/21166/F – Erection of an extension to dwelling – The Porters House, Forest Park, Cleobury Mortimer – Mrs K Coles.

South Shropshire District Council Development Control Section resolved not to raise any objection to the following development.

App. No.1/08/21245/OE – Installation of an overhead LV Line – Land near 1 Mortimer Hill, Cleobury Mortimer – Central Networks East.

Notice of Withdrawal of Application.

App. No.1/08/21247/LB – Installation of 2 x Entrance Gates – The Manor House Nursing Home, High Street, Cleobury Mortimer – Mr Z Iqba – *All information.*

1.6.2 Invoice from Cleobury Country Ltd for photocopying - £10.06 – *Agenda item 1.8.3*

1.6.3 Invoice from Glint Print re 1<sup>st</sup> Quarterly “Cleobury Bulletin” - £56.25 – *Agenda item 1.8.4*

1.6.4 Notice from Shropshire County Council saying the road from Sturt Lane, Kinlet (the section from Pleasant View junction to Winwoods Farm south to County Boundary) will be closed for Water mains renewal. Duration 50 working days from the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2009 to 27<sup>th</sup> March 2009. An alternative diversion route – South to A4117, west to B4363, north to B4199, east to Strut Lane junction, South to Pleasant View junction and vice versa - *Noted.*

1.6.5 Letter and questionnaire from Karen Wilson, Access Development Officer, Shropshire County Council asking Parish Council Clerks to complete a Rights of Way User Survey 2008. - *The members completed the survey and a question was asked about the possibility of restoring the Vines Passage as a Right of Way. It was decided that this item should go on the next agenda.*

## 1.6 CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS (CONTINUED).

1.6.6 From Standards Committee, South Shropshire District Council a copy of the minutes of their meeting held on the 28<sup>th</sup> October 2008 and a copy of the agenda for their meeting to be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2008 – *Information only.*

1.6.7 From Shropshire County a Precept Requirement Form for 2009/2010 – *The Clerk said he would return the form when the Precept had been finalised.*

1.6.8 From Geoff Brough, Senior Admin Officer, Traffic Management and Regulation Team, Shropshire County Council giving notification of changes to the speed limit in Cleobury Mortimer. Length of roads affected – A4117 from a point 27 metres east of its junction with Childe Road to a point 25 metres south-west of its junction with Pinkham Lane - *Noted.*

1.6.9 From Shropshire County Council a copy of the December 2008 edition of “Public Transport News” - *Information*

1.6.10 Letter from Muller England Ltd saying that Outline Planning Permission 08/20622/O has been granted. They want to know how to proceed regarding the £1 payment from Cleobury Mortimer Parish Council for the 1.09 acres of land for community gain – *Agenda item 1.8.5.*

1.6.11 From Standards Committee, South Shropshire District Council a copy of the minutes of their meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2008 and a copy of the agenda for their meeting to be held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2009 – *Information only.*

1.6.12 Invoice from M & M Timber Ltd for 10 wooden benches - £1150.00 – *Agenda item 1.8.6*

1.6.13 Email from Christine Harvey, Town Clerk, Church Stretton saying Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2009 seems to be the most suitable date for the next Six Market Town’s Meeting – *Details of meeting forwarded to Cllr Mrs D. Brown. Cllr G. Carter asked if there were any topics the members would like them to raise at this meeting. Cllr Mrs B. Davies said she would like to know where they stand on the new Unitary Authority.*

1.6.14 Email from Andrew Sheldon, Shropshire Homes Ltd asking about the possibility of building affordable homes on the 1 acre of land at Mullers - *Noted.*

1.6.15 Email from Chris Kippin thanking the Council for getting the defective light in Castle Ditch repaired - *Noted.*

1.6.16 From South Shropshire District Council a copy of the 2008/09 Register of Electors – *Information only.*

1.6.17 From Communities and Local Government a copy of their “Communities in Control: Real people, real power: Code of recommended practice on local authority publicity - A consultation”. Any comments must be made by the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2009 - *Noted.*

1.6.18 Letter from **Cllr C Genese** saying that due to increased work commitments he is resigning as a Parish Councillor with immediate effect – *Noted – Clerk to inform Trudy Gough, Electoral Officer, South Shropshire District Council.*

## 1.6 CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS (CONTINUED).

1.6.19 Email from Natalie Owen, Prysmian apologising for the delay in repairing CR5 (last streetlight in Catherton Road) and she said she will try and find out why it hasn't been repaired and get it done ASAP - *Noted*.

1.6.20 Email from Natalie Owen, Prysmian re CR5 saying they have been out and reset the clock again, due to a faulty calendar. The electrician suggests a new lantern and rewire if this happens again, however the Parish Council will need to specify what type of lantern we require due to the new road scheme - *Noted*.

1.6.21 From C E Williams, Secretary, SAPTC – South Shropshire Area Committee a copy of the minutes of their meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> October 2008 and the agenda for their meeting scheduled for 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009 - *Noted*.

1.6.22 From Shropshire County Council, 5 copies of their Summary of Accounts 2007/2008 - *Information*.

1.6.23 From British Red Cross Area Youth Team a copy of their first newsletter - *Noted*.

## 1.7 PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

(a) 1/08/21375/F

Application Type: Planning Permission (Full).

Proposal: Erection of an affordable dwelling with garage/workshop for ancillary domestic/business use; formation of a vehicular access.

Location: Plot adjacent to Sunnyways, Redthorn Hill, Cleobury Mortimer.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs A Dempsey.

It was proposed by **Cllr M. Reiner** and seconded by **Cllr Mrs D. Brown** that this Council has **NO OBJECTION** to the erection of an affordable dwelling but they are very concerned and **OBJECT** to the garage/workshop being used for business in a residential area. They feel that the noise from joinery machinery will be very intrusive. **RESOLVED** (3 votes for, 1 abstention, **Cllr G. Carter** declared a Prejudicial Interest, **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** didn't vote)

(b) 1/08/21373/F

Application Type: Planning Permission (Full).

Proposal: Erection of an affordable dwelling; formation of a vehicular access.

Location: Plot adjacent to Sunnyways, Redthorn Hill, Cleobury Mortimer.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs G Dempsey.

It was proposed by **Cllr Mrs D. Brown** and seconded by **Cllr J. Griffiths** that this Council **OBJECTS** to this proposal because they feel there is insufficient evidence to justify the need for another affordable dwelling on the same plot as Application 1/08/21375/F **RESOLVED** (3 members objected to this proposal, 1 abstention, **Cllr G. Carter** declared a Prejudicial Interest, **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** didn't vote)

## 1.7 PLANNING APPLICATIONS (CONTINUED).

(c) 1/08/21410/F

Application Type: Planning Permission (Full).

Proposal: Erection of extension to ancillary domestic outbuilding.

Location: Hurst Cottage, 1 The Hurst, Cleobury Mortimer.

Applicant: Mr P Slingsby.

It was proposed by **Cllr G. Carter** and seconded by **Cllr M. Reiner** that this Council has **NO OBJECTION** to this Planning Application **RESOLVED** (3 votes for, 2 abstentions, **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** didn't vote)

(d) 1/08/21428/LB

Application Type: Listed Building Consent.

Proposal: Remove existing chimney, cap off and roof over.

Location: Kings Arms, Church Street, Cleobury Mortimer.

Applicant: Punch Taverns.

It was proposed by **Cllr Mrs D. Brown** and seconded by **Cllr J. Griffiths** that this Council has **NO OBJECTION** to this Planning Application **RESOLVED** (5 votes for, **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** didn't vote)

(e) 1/08/21435/VC

Application Type: Variation of Conditions.

Proposal: Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 1/08/20469 to allow amendments to previously approved extract ventilation system.

Location: 15A High Street, Cleobury Mortimer.

Applicant: Mr S Rahman.

**Cllr Mrs D. Brown** proposed and **Cllr J. Griffiths** seconded that this Council **OBJECTS** to this proposal because they believe the variation of condition 2 of Planning Application 1/08/20469/F doesn't improve the ventilation system. (4 members objected to this proposal, **Cllr M. Reiner** declared a Personal interest, **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** didn't vote)

(f) 1/08/21438/F

Application Type: Planning Permission (Full).

Proposal: Erection of extensions & alterations to dwelling (revised scheme).

Location: Leander, Ludlow Road, Cleobury Mortimer.

Applicant: Mr Neil Gallier-Sampson.

**Cllr G. Carter** declared a Prejudicial Interest in this Planning Application.

CMPC feel this Planning Application has several contentious issues and request that South Shropshire District Council Planning Committee have a site meeting. They also request that you notify the Clerk so that members of the Parish Council can be in attendance when this meeting takes place.

## 1.7 PLANNING APPLICATIONS (CONTINUED).

- (g) 1/08/21445/F & 1/08/21446/LB  
Application Type: Planning Permission (Full) & Listed Building Consent.  
Proposal: Erection of extension to nursing home; installation of gates.  
Location: The Manor House Nursing Home, High Street, Cleobury Mortimer.  
Applicant: Mr Z Iqbal.

It was decided to have a site meeting on the following Sunday morning. The following members attended **Cllrs Mrs D. Brown, K. Reynolds (Chairman), J. Griffiths & M. Reiner**. They **OBJECTED** to this proposal (a) due to lack of access to the rear of the building for construction vehicles or emergency services such as the fire brigade (b) no provision for parking (c) lack of consultation with the local community and immediate neighbours and (d) removal of trees that form a natural barrier with adjacent properties would compromise privacy.

## 1.8 FINANCIAL MATTERS AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

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1.8.1 Eric Mark (Clerks Salary)	333.40
1.8.2 HM Excise & Revenue	67.00
1.8.3 Cleobury Country Ltd	10.06.
1.8.4 Glint Print	56.25
1.8.5. Muller England Ltd	1.00
1.8.6 M & M Timber Ltd	1150.00
1.8.7 AJP	21.33
1.8.8 Aspire	21.33
1.8.9 M & M Baldwin	48.33
1.8.10 Bob Franklin	10.67
1.8.11 Cleobury Mortimer Playgroup	21.33
1.8.12 Crusty Cob	10.67
1.8.13 Dove Travel	4.90
1.8.14 Melanie Robinson	38.67
1.8.15 HTCA	21.33
1.8.16 Lower Street Garage	48.33
1.8.17 Ludlow Motors	53.33
1.8.18 Mrs D O Shorthouse	5.33
1.8.19 N J Plumbing & Heating	25.45
1.8.20 Mr A Staples	64.17
1.8.21 Steve Wheeler	33.51
1.8.22 Talbot Hotel	19.33
1.8.23 Talbot Stores	19.33
1.8.24 Terry Stokes	3.30

The Clerk suggested it was essential, before we hand over £1, that we seek advice from South Shropshire District Council over the purchase of the land from Mullers England Ltd for Community Gain (Agenda item 1.8.6). **Cllr Mrs B. Davies** said she would take a copy of the letter from Mullers to Ludlow and discuss the matter with Veronica Calderbank.

The Clerk said that **Cllr C Genese** had passed the "Cleobury Bulletin" details over to him and items 1.8.7 through to 1.8.24 were rebates that needed to be paid by advertisers. He said there were still some outstanding payments owed to CMPC and he would contact the defaulters.

## **1.8 FINANCIAL MATTERS AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (CONTINUED).**

**Cllr Mrs B. Davies** declared a Personal Interest in Item 1.8.23.

**Cllr Mrs B. Davies** proposed that all accounts except Item 1.8.23 be passed for payment. This was seconded by **Cllr G. Carter**. **RESOLVED** (All in favour)

Item 1.8.23 was then proposed for payment . **RESOLVED** (5 votes for, 1 Declared Interest)

## **1.9 TRAVELLING EXPENSES**

**Cllr G. Carter** said the members of previous Parish Council had agreed not to claim any travelling expenses. He said more meetings were being arranged in various locations in South Shropshire and he suggested that now the Council was in a better financial position they should pay something towards the costs incurred. It was proposed by **Cllr K Reynolds** and seconded by **Cllr G. Carter** that this Council pay 40 pence per mile. **RESOLVED** (All in favour)

## **1.10 FINALISING THE PRECEPT FOR 2009-2010**

The members reviewed the draft Precept that they had set at the last meeting and made some alterations. It was proposed by **Cllr M. Reiner** and seconded by **Cllr Mrs D. Brown** that the final amount for 2009/2010 should be set at £40,030 **RESOLVED** (All in favour).

## **1.11 RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR**

This item was dealt with at the beginning of the meeting.

Meeting finished at 9.30pm

SIGNED

K. Reynolds (CHAIRMAN)

DATE

2<sup>nd</sup> February 2009