

# CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING of the CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL held at the Market Hall on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2010 at 7.30pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllr K. Reynolds (Chairman), Cllr Mrs B. Davies, Cllr D. Brown, Cllr J Griffiths, Cllr G Hainsworth.

First of all Cllr K Reynolds welcomed everyone and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

## **01.0 Apologies for Absence** Cllr M Reiner, Cllr G Butler, Cllr R Lloyd

### **01.1 Declaration of Interests**

Financial Matters,

Item 01.7.4 Cllr G Hainsworth declared a personal interest.

Item 01.7.5 Cllr B Davies declared a personal interest.

Item 01.7.6 Cllr D Brown declared a personal interest.

### **01.2 To adopt the minutes of the meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2009**

Cllr B Davies proposed and seconded by Cllr D Brown **All in Favour RESOLVED.**

### **01.3 Matters arising from the minutes**

Cllr K Reynolds asked if there were any matters arising.

Cllr G Butlers list was discussed starting with item 1.

Cllr G Hainsworth mentioned the Hedge opposite the Parish Hall that it was in need of cutting back.

Cllr B Davies mentioned the Skate Park, number 2 on the list, that it is still a problem.

Cllr D Brown said that the LJC had put aside funding.

Cllr B Davies said that we had lost the swimming pool.

Cllr D Brown said that we had to apply to the LJC through Tom Brettell to get funding for the skate park, as they have £5000 for youth projects and the Parish may have to contribute.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that if it was made alcohol free it would be difficult to prosecute as Nick is not there after 10pm.

Cllr D Brown said that if it was made an alcohol free zone and Nick was not there then Sarah can.

Next number 3 was looked at.

Cllr D Brown said that the Market Hall is for the community and it is worth seeing the Youth Cafe in Bewdley.

Cllr B Davies said that the Friendship club could use the Market Hall but they need space and the Parish Hall is better.

Cllr D Brown said that the Friendship club could use it in the day and evenings could be for the youth, at least it will be generating an income.

Cllr K Reynolds said that perhaps it should be an Agenda item for the next meeting

Cllr D Brown said that the LJC are only looking for support from the Parish Council.

Cllr G Hainsworth said has it got Parish support or not we just need to say yes or no.

Cllr K Reynolds said that it was the only place we have for the youth cafe.

Cllr D Brown said that once the New Business Centre is complete and Cleobury Country move out we could have a problem with the Market Hall especially with the work that Ken and Betty has done to make it a viable concern. We have to now start to think what we are going to do.

Cllr B Davies said some feedback is that it is expensive to use the Market Hall.

Cllr D Brown said that Cleobury Country is funded by Advantage West Midlands, but we should support the setting up of the Youth Cafe.

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It was proposed by Cllr D Brown and seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth All in Favour.

**RESOLVED.**

The councillors then went on to number 4 on Gwilyms list.

Cllr K Reynolds said that he was against it if it was over graves. This was seconded by Cllr J Griffiths.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that it was not very clear and we needed clarification.

Cllr K Reynolds said that the ideal place is opposite the Parish Hall

Cllr G Hainsworth said that he agreed with Ken that consecrated ground should not be touched.

Cllr D Brown said that we needed clarification and it should be left until this is done.

This was agreed by all.

The Councillors then went on to discuss number 5 on Gwilyms list that a grit bin had been requested for Cleobury Meadows

Matt Sheehan said that he was in contact with Phil James from the Highways department about having more Grit Bins and was making a list.

Cllr J Griffiths said that they sell salt at Gallagher's and it wasn't too expensive to buy.

Cllr K Reynolds said that we could buy a few bags and distribute where needed to help.

Cllr D Brown said that we need to identify the places that need it.

Cllr J Griffiths said that he would collect it and distribute.

Cllr G Hainsworth proposed we bought 6 bags which were seconded by Cllr D Brown.

Voted all in Favour **RESOLVED.**

Cllr B Davies said that we should put an article in the Bulletin to ask where bins are needed.

Matt to sort out with Jim Reynolds.

Number 6 on the list was about Street lighting.

Matt Sheehan updated that the 4 new streetlights were in hand as the last e-mail said they were waiting for the items. Also that he was keeping on about the street light taken down in Childe road by mistake would be done with the new toilets.

Also the streetlight at the junction of Childe road and Love lane was found to have no power so was in the hands of E-On and Matt was keeping on top of it by getting updates every few days.

The final item 7 about the Precept would be discussed as Agenda item 01.10 later.

### **01.4 Parish Matters**

Cllr D Brown said there were pot holes past the turning for Mawley farm also between the Blount and The Horse and Jockey which require attention.

Cllr J Griffiths said that in Neen Savage the pot holes are only half filled.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that Jacobs's ladder walkway has barb wire on the fence which should not have been used and is dangerous.

Matt Sheehan asked the Councillors if they knew who owned the land, which was Mrs Tompkinson.

Matt said that he would go and see them.

Cllr K Reynolds said that by the Horse and Jockey the water runs across the road and can turn into a sheet of ice. There was a fatal accident there over Christmas.

Cllr D Brown said that it is right by the corner.

Cllr K Reynolds said that the steps opposite the Wells are collapsing and need urgent repair.

Matt Sheehan to get quotes for job.

Cllr K Reynolds said that we should take the lead in the Festival and if there was anyone interested in working on it.

Also to contact the Clarion to see if there is any interested parties.

Cllr B Davies said that we should get in touch with Caroline Bills.

Cllr J Griffiths suggested a Cricket knockout.

## **Meeting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January Continued**

Cllr d Brown said that it could be run over a few days.

Cllr B Davies said that we could include Neen Sollers.

Cllr K Reynolds asked Matt to contact Caroline Bills and see if we could have a meeting in February sometime.

### **01.5 Correspondence and Reports**

Nothing to report

### **01.6 Planning Applications**

**PLANNING REFERENCE** : 09/03646/LBC

**DEVELOPMENT** : Replacement of two windows to the street frontage

**LOCATION** : Old Lion Inn, 30 Lower Street, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8AB

This application was discussed and it was concluded that there was no problem with the application. VOTED all in favour **RESOLVED**.

### **01.7 Financial Matters and Accounts for Payment**

On item 01.7.0 to 01.7.3 Cllr G Hainsworth proposed seconded by Cllr D Brown, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

Item 01.7.4 Proposed by Cllr B Davies, seconded by Cllr K Reynolds, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

**Cllr G Hainsworth abstained.**

Item 01.7.5 Proposed by Cllr D Brown, seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

**Cllr B Davies abstained.**

Item 01.7.6 Proposed by Cllr B Davies, seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

**Cllr D Brown abstained.**

### **01.8 Wells Update (Cllr K Reynolds)**

Cllr K Reynolds said that the Wells is running again.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that we should keep the investigation going to find out what happened.

### **01.9 Local Joint Committee Update (Cllr D Brown)**

Cllr D Brown said that the next meeting is Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January at Kinlet Village Hall and we will be discussing some important issues

Chris Fisher from Highways will be there and she continued to read out a list of people who will be there.

Three of the top subjects are Gritting, Flooding and Speeding.

She then talked about the various applications for funding, like the Bowling Club who wants funding towards repairs on the roof.

A £2,000 application from a Geological and Geographical society was not successful as it was to do a survey on an old furnace but would not be open to the public.

Other projects were being looked at like Hopton Wafers for play area and equipment and Cleobury Mortimer Social Club for building work.

She said that it would also be looked at better if the Parish Council were to put some money towards it but the Social Club will have to apply to the Parish Council first.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that perhaps an Agenda item for next meeting.

It was said that a lot of outlying parishes speak highly about the sports and social club.

Cllr D Brown continued that Farlow and Oretton had £2,500 for new toilets at their village hall, but they funded most of it themselves.

## **Meeting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January Continued**

Cllr D Brown said that there was more support needed at meetings.

Cllr K Reynolds thanked Cllr D Brown for her report,

### **01.10 Precept meeting (Cllr K Reynolds)**

Cllr K Reynolds said that he didn't think that we needed another meeting to sort out the Precept, that we could do it now.

Cllr B Davies said that we need to sort out the Contingency fund.

The conversation briefly turned to the Cemetery and the running of it and it was concluded to write a letter to Mrs Barnes to arrange a meeting. Matt to sort out.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that we need to follow the recommendations from the Auditor.

Cllr D Brown said that we need to have the Audit report and go through the recommendations while sorting it out.

Cllr J Griffiths said that the Auditors report should not dictate what is decided.

Cllr D Brown said that we had a good auditor and should ask him to come and talk us through the report.

There was a general discussion.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that he agreed with Cllr D Brown that we cannot go ahead without the report and we have to check that we are working in line with the report. He continued saying that we have a meeting already agreed at the last meeting and should do it then. It was then agreed to sort it out at the agreed meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> January as set at last meeting.

### **01.11 New Toilets and new Road Name (Cllr G Hainsworth)**

Cllr G Hainsworth asked what is happening with the new toilets, because the car park cannot be signed over until it is done.

Matt updated that he has been chasing it and Bromford has put in a quote to build it but it was down to Shire Hall and he has Tom Brettle chasing it. Giving all parties involved each other's details so they could sort it out quicker.

He said that he would keep on top of things and keep everyone informed.

Cllr B Davies said that concerning the name for the new road it should be Barratts Orchard or Barratts Court.

Cllr D Brown said that Barratts Court is more for a block of flats.

It was agreed that Barratts Orchard should be the name to use.

Cllr B Davies proposed seconded by Cllr D Brown voted all in favour **RESOLVED.**

Matt to contact Shirley Sutton for correct spelling and notify the Council Dept of the decision.

### **01.12 Muller (Cllr G Hainsworth)**

Cllr G Hainsworth asked what is happening.

Matt Sheehan said that he would get an update for next meeting.

### **01.13 Cemetery Concerns (Cllr B Davies)**

**This item was discussed earlier**

**MEETING CLOSED AT 9.20pm**

SIGNED ..... (CHAIRMAN) DATE .....