

## CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING of the CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL held at the Market Hall on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2010 at 7.30pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllr K. Reynolds (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs B. Davies, Cllr D. Brown, Cllr M Reiner, Cllr G Hainsworth, Cllr G Butler, Cllr R Lloyd.

**Cllr K Reynolds introduced Val Simpson to speak to the Council.**

Val Simpson started out by handing all the Councillors leaflets.

She explained that the Walkers are Welcome that they wanted to join had six conditions.

1. They must demonstrate popular local support for the concept. This should be demonstrated by signatures of local support.

Val said that she has 150 signatures already and need 250 minimum.

2. Formal endorsements of application for **Walkers are Welcome** status by local Council.

This is where she needed our support.

3. Action to ensure that footpaths and facilities for walkers are maintained in good condition.

This has been very successful with Geoff putting installing new gates.

4. Adequate marketing of **Walkers are Welcome** status.

This is where we can link to the national site to promote our walks.

5. Encouragement of walking using public transport.

We do have people from Birmingham that come and use our walks.

6. Demonstration of mechanisms in place to maintain **Walkers are Welcome** status.

To Date we have the support of The Chamber of Trade who paid our fee of £20.

Val went on to say that have a timeline and have explained that it will give local focus that will have economic benefits, bringing more walkers in. The Chamber of Trade sees the benefits.

Val concluded by asking the Council if they would support it.

Cllr B Davies said that she had issues with the walkers taking over the parking.

Val Simpson said that in all the leaflets it is always stated that parking should be at the Lacon Childe School.

Cllr B Davies said that parking is a big issue in the town.

There was a heated discussion.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that Cllr B Davies seems to be very negative about it.

Cllr B Davies said that she was not against it but they should park at the school as instructed.

Cllr G Butler said that we are looking at limited stay parking and then walkers would park up at the school. He said that the walkers use the local shops and he proposed we support it.

He went on to say that we should support it unreservedly; this was seconded by Cllr K Reynolds. Voted all in favour. RESOLVED. Cllr B Davies abstained.

***(As this was discussed and voted on outside the meeting, the Clerk is deferring the vote to the next Parish Council meeting when it will be an Agenda item)***

**02.0 Apologies for Absence None received**

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### **02.1 Declaration of Interests**

Item 02.5 Cllr D Brown declared a personal interest re Co Opt of Councillor.

### **02.2 To adopt the minutes of the meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> January 2010**

Cllr B Davies proposed and seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth **All in Favour RESOLVED.**

### **02.3 Matters arising from the minutes**

Cllr K Reynolds asked if there were any matters arising.

Matt Sheehan wanted to thank Cllr K Reynolds for using the emergency powers to get the damaged steps opposite the Wells repaired due to being very dangerous.

### **02.4 Parish Matters**

Cllr B Davies said that she has heard that we are going to lose the Skip in Talbot Yard.

Cllr G Butler said that there are proposals put forward that they are looking to withdraw it but he was fighting to save it. He explained that their argument is that they would save £41,000 but it is a front line service and is for the people. Ludlow has a permanent recycling so we would have to have that instead.

Cllr B Davies said that it should be by the school.

Cllr G Butler said that the main issue was that they were unable to sort the rubbish and the cost of landfill will go up next year. He also said that if they didn't continue there was no reason that anyone else couldn't take it on.

Cllr B Davies said that we have done it before but it caused a lot of fly tipping.

Cllr K Reynolds said that he was one of the main proposers and would not be happy if we lost it.

Cllr G Butler said that he will send Matt a copy of the e-mail about it, also will send a letter to Larry Wolfe as he was head of Waste Management at Shire Hall.

Cllr D Brown said that if we lost ours where is the nearest one?

Cllr G Butler said that it was in Ludlow, and Cllr Madge Shington was also fighting to save it.

Moving on.

Cllr M Reiner said that there was a bad Pot hole by the New Road.

Matt Sheehan said that he would make a list and pass on to Highways.

Cllr R Lloyd said that the Pot holes towards Ditton Mill were very bad.

Cllr K Reynolds explained that when water gets in the cracks it expands by 10% causing problems.

Cllr R Lloyd said that it was bad on Catherton road too.

Cllr D Brown said that she would like to comment on the gritting in Shropshire as they have done very well and could not say the same for Worcestershire and we should write to Worcestershire. Matt to write a letter.

Cllr K Reynolds said that while on gritting he managed to get some bags of salt from Gallagher's and with Cllr J Griffiths handed out to 3 problem places in Cleobury.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that on a positive side Shropshire highways did all around the back streets and Barnfields that was not the case for other counties and we should write a letter of thanks.

Also on another matter there is a large bin in Lion Lane that is stuck out and overflowing and looks unsightly.

Cllr M Reiner said that this had been brought up before and all the small bins were removed except the big one.

Matt to chase up.

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Cllr G Butler said that there were street lights out in Cleobury Meadows, also that the speed bump is as high as the pavement and causes concern for the houses on the corner. Perhaps it requires some bollards on the corner.

There is also a problem with Dog mess and there is a new policy on dog mess. There are 30 council staff and NCOs that will have the power to hand out £60 fixed penalty fines. The new street warden will cover Cleobury and will come 3 half days a week to catch the people who let their dogs mess the streets.

Will work with Matt.

He continued that we will have a meeting with the new warden.

Cllr K Reynolds asked when we could meet him.

Cllr G Butler said that it would be June or July. He then asked Matt if he could put Cleobury Meadows on the list for Grit Bins. Also find out what was happening with sign for Mortimer Hill.

Gwilym said that a cherry picker was coming out to look for sites to place the CCTV cameras and asked if Cllr M Reiner would like to attend the meeting.

Cllr M Reiner said yes and would be at the Market Hall at 12 O'clock.

Cllr G Butler said that he has talked to the vicar of St Marys and he said that he owns the field opposite the Parish Hall. Matt to follow up on Hedge cutting.

He then talked about speeding signs that the cost would normally be £16,000 but if we worked with other Parish councils and we all put in £500 and then rotated use of the signs that it would cost £60 a week to have sign for a 6 week period.

He then asked about the Streetlight on all the time at the Blue Water.

Matt Sheehan explained that it had been reported to Shropshire and he had taken photos for them, as their sign has been put over the junction boxes and the engineer could not gain access. I had also passed on details of the owner but it was in their hands.

Cllr G Butler talked about the trees in the street that the branches required trimming.

Cllr M Reiner said that the Council used to do it before the Horticultural Society took over.

Matt said that he had been informed by Lisa Bedford that the Horticultural Society had told her that they could not continue.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that he would cut them as much as he could.

## 02.5 Correspondence and Reports

Matt Sheehan explained about the Councillor applications of which he had received 3 applications.

Cllr K Reynolds said that we need to meet with them all for an interview.

Matt to write letter inviting them for an interview on Monday evening starting at 6.30pm.

Matt to check all on Register of Electors.

Matt Sheehan also explained that had written to Mrs Barnes and requested a meeting and the best time for her to meet would be on a Monday or Tuesday morning.

It was agreed to meet to suit her.

Matt also explained about the Dog fouling letter received which everyone had a copy. As this was discussed earlier he could report back.

Cllr K Reynolds said that he has 2 quotes for the new Notice board. One for £240 and the other one is £462 - £507. Matt said that as well as asking for the one quote Ken was given he also contacted 2 other Companies and they had not got back.

Cllr M Reiner proposed we accept the quote for £240, seconded by Cllr G Butler **Voted All in favour RESOLVED.**

At this point Cllr M Reiner said that he wanted to stand down as Flag man, and asked if anyone wanted to take over. Cllr R Lloyd said that they would talk about it together.

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### **02.6 Planning Applications**

**PLANNING REFERENCE** : 09/00199/LBC

**DEVELOPMENT** : Erection of Extension to dwelling

**LOCATION** : 11 High Street, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8DG

**OS REFERENCE**: 367151 - 275705

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

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

Cllr K Reynolds proposed, Seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

### **02.8 Extension Memorial Gardens (Cllr K Reynolds)**

Cllr K Reynolds said that he was very dubious about the plot talked about being a burial ground.

Cllr G Butler said that he has talked to the vicar and he has no problem. The Market Hall would need to control. He went on to say that it would be a market square and would bring back the market which we could get funding for.

Cllr K Reynolds said that we would need to sort out the path as change of use.

Cllr B Davies said that there are still bodies there.

Cllr G Butler said they could have a shelter and area for a Fete or Market which could be slabbed right up to the church. The Vicar is all for it take Ken's concern but cannot agree with them.

Cllr K Reynolds it would have been ok if on land opposite Parish Hall.

Cllr G Butler said that it was a no go.

Cllr R Lloyd asked if we knew how many bodies underneath.

Cllr G Butler said that they would go over so there would be no excavation and step it with a gradient.

Cllr R Lloyd said that there was mixed feelings, perhaps another location.

Cllr G Butler said that there would be an advantage that it would be run from the Market Hall.

There was a general discussion.

Cllr K Reynolds said that at the next meeting we should ask Ryland Robertshaw the Church Warden to come along and have it as an agenda item.

Cllr R Lloyd said that perhaps we could put a plaque on wall to respect the graves.

### **02.9 Parking Restrictions (Matt Sheehan)**

Matt Sheehan explained that he had correspondence that it was proposed to put double yellow lines down the one side of the High Street from the Tenbury road Junction to the Blue Water Restaurant. This would stop cars parking on the pavement outside the Manor House and help the Police.

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Also that the Double yellow lines proposed for Catherton road had been dropped.

There was a brief discussion and Cllr G Hainsworth proposed accept, seconded by Cllr M Reiner voted all in favour **RESOLVED.**

### **02.10 Festival (Cllr K Reynolds)**

Cllr K Reynolds said that the Original Festival was run by the council and then taken over but the last one was 4 years ago.

Cllr R Lloyd said that Caroline Bills was in charge of that one.

Cllr K Reynolds said we needed to fix a date for the meeting.

Cllr R Lloyd said that she would be unavailable from 27<sup>th</sup> June to 24<sup>th</sup> July 2010.

Cllr K Reynolds said that when we have the meeting we can delegate things to different people so you don't have to worry about that item. The only big job is informing people.

Cllr G Butler said that we have to write to all clubs and societies.

Cllr R Lloyd said that we should put an advert in the Local magazine.

Matt Sheehan said that he had mentioned it to Jim Reynolds at the Clarion but it was too late for the last edition.

Cllr K Reynolds said that there could be a Festival meeting next Monday at 7.30pm after the interviews.

Cllr G Butler said that we could have a Parish float competition.

It was agreed meeting at Market Hall 7.30pm Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb.

### **02.11 Grass Cutting (Matt Sheehan)**

Matt Sheehan said he had received the quotes for grass cutting.

RM Price with a quote of £530 per month.

DG Garden Services £630 per month

And had enquired after 2 other quotes with no interest.

Also that after talking with Eric Mark every three years was the normal to get quotes.

Cllr K Reynolds said that we had no problems from RM Price last year.

Matt Sheehan said that there was only one small problem which was rectified the same day.

Cllr B Davies proposed accept RM Price seconded by Cllr K Reynolds Voted all in Favour **RESOLVED.**

### **02.12 Market Hall Repayment (Cllr B Davies)**

Cllr B Davies said that the Market Hall owes the Parish Council and has a repayment plan to pay back.

Cllr G Butler said that when the Cleobury Country moves out and as we hope to have an office for the Clerk then we only pay 50% of rent.

Cllr D Brown said that the Auditor said that they have to start making payments.

Cllr B Davies said that there should be a reduced rent.

Cllr D Brown said that the Parish Council needs to write to the Market Hall for Payment.

Cllr B Davies said that the Market Hall owes £12,500 and proposed that we asked for £1,000 a year, seconded by Cllr D Brown voted all in Favour **RESOLVED.**

### **02.13 Childe Road Development Update (Matt Sheehan)**

Matt Sheehan said that he had phoned Bromford Living in the first place to give them his details to forward the Local Connections forms as he had heard that they had started to advertise the properties. He was told that they did not have to do this.

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At this point he made numerous phone calls to make the councillors aware and also get Cllr G Butler involved to take on the case.

After many e-mails and phone calls and them not getting back, I went to the top and talked to Wendy Willetts who admitted they were wrong and said that they would rectify it and get back to me with lists of the new tenants for phase 1. Wend Willetts then made the mistake of leaving her phone on and I took notes for 20 mins.

I am waiting now for her to get back with details. Also right or wrong I have kept Jim Reynolds of the Cleobury Clarion up to date with our actions.

Cllr G Butler said that he had sent them copies of the Planning Agreement and Local Connections forms and Shire Hall has taken this to the top.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that we have to thank Matt for getting on to this early and can we put an injunction on them

Cllr K Reynolds said that people need to know we did all we could, which we are doing.

Cllr G Butler said that we need to arrange a meeting urgently with them.

Matt to sort out.

Also Matt mentioned the Streetlights on Childe Road that the one that was taken down was being replaced when the toilets are built and the other one at the island, he has called out E-On twice and our engineer twice and now we still have no power so he has called out E-On again.

**MEETING CLOSED AT 9.40pm**

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

## CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Cleobury Mortimer Parish Council held at the Market Hall on Friday 19th FEBRUARY 2010 at 7.00p.m

**PRESENT:** Cllr K. Reynolds (Chairman), Cllr Mrs B. Davies, Cllr M Reiner, Cllr J Griffiths, Cllr R Lloyd

### 02E.1 Apologies for Absence

Cllr D Brown, Cllr G Butler, Cllr G Hainsworth

### 02E.2 Declaration of Interests

Cllr K Reynolds

### 02E.3 Co Option of Councillor (Cllr K Reynolds)

There was a lot of discussion about the candidates from the working party that interviewed them.

They were all very impressed with all of them and that it was nice to see the youth apply for the position.

They all said that it was a very difficult decision to make.

Cllr R Lloyd proposed it be secret voting and this was seconded by Cllr M Reiner.

Voted All in Favour **RESOLVED.**

After all the voting it was Kelvin Woodfield that was declared the new Councillor for Cleobury Mortimer with a majority vote.

**MEETING CLOSED AT 7.30pm**

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