

CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the MEETING of the CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL held at the Market Hall on Wednesday 5th January 2011 at 6.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr K Reynolds, Cllr M Reiner, Cllr G Hainsworth, Cllr S Thorogood, Cllr D Brown, Cllr G Butler, Cllr K Woodfield. Cllr B Davies.

Clerk: Mr M Sheehan

Public: Mrs V Calderbank

AGENDA 01 (2011) ORDER OF BUSINESS

Cllr K Reynolds welcomed all to the first meeting of 2011 and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

01.0 Apologies for absence

NONE

01.1 Declaration of Interests

Cllr G Butler Item 01.6 Planning 10/05412/LBC

Cllr G Hainsworth, Item 01.8 Market Hall.

01.2 To adopt the minutes of the Meetings held on the 6th December 2010

Proposed that the minutes signed correct by Cllr M Reiner and Seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth. Voted all in favour. **RESOLVED.**

01.3 Matters Arising From the Minutes

Cllr G Hainsworth said that when the snow was down, there was a large 3ft spot by the railings that had melted away which must be the result of a heat source. He had made enquiries with Bill Dooley and that was where the pump was and it needed investigating further.

Cllr K Reynolds said that it needed cleaning out.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that it had been cleaned out in October but still needed weeding and grass cutting around the edge.

Cllr M Reiner said that it didn't look like it had been done.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that he would be meeting with Bill and Cllr Sean Thorogood to look into the problems and move forward.

Cllr B Davies said that she would be getting together a petition for people to sign for getting a skip.

01.4 Parish Matters

Cllr M Reiner said that there were Potholes in Ronhill Lane that needed attention; also there was a problem with the Zebra crossing where five people slipped over on the Ice.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that after his group of walkers had been on a long walk the only slippery patch was in the High Street.

Cllr G Butler said it was the same everywhere.

The Clerk said that the gritters who were doing the pavements were asked to help us by doing the pavements around Mortimer Gardens and St Marys place for the Elderly residents, which they kindly did and he had received thanks that was passed on.

Cllr B Davies said a thank you also to William who gave the salt to put on the Crossing.

Cllr M Reiner suggested a Grit Bin by the Crossing.

The Clerk would inform Highways.

01.5 Correspondence & Reports

Cllr G Butler said that a decision needed to be made about the Toilets that he has to fight for the money that was ring fenced. He suggested that perhaps we could use the money to do the Wells and the Churchyard in one go and use the toilets in the Market Hall for public use.

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The Clerk to put in on February Agenda.

Cllr G Butler also said that we should hear about the Car Parks by the end of January if the Clerk can inform him of any correspondence.

Cllr M Reiner said that the idea to use pubs for toilets was a bad idea.

Cllr G Butler said that to maintain the toilets in the future would have to put 30% on Precept.

The Clerk said that was one of the reasons why the Precept was not cut again and kept around the same so we can hopefully keep it the same for the next few years.

01.6 Planning Applications

PLANNING REFERENCE: 10/05082/FUL
DEVELOPMENT Erection of a kennel block.
PROPOSED:

LOCATION: Green Gap, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 9DX
OS REFERENCE: 371918 – 275080

This item was briefly discussed and Cllr B Davies proposed a reply of No Comment which was seconded by Cllr G Butler. Voted all in favour **RESOLVED.**

PLANNING REFERENCE: 10/05412/LBC
DEVELOPMENT Works in association with conversion of former hotel into 5.
PROPOSED one bedroom apartments and 3 one bedroom maisonettes
Affecting a Grade II Listed Building

LOCATION: The Redfern, 10 Lower Street, Cleobury Mortimer
Shropshire, DY14 8AA.

OS REFERENCE: 367560 – 275959

Cllr B Davies said that we have a lot of one bedroom apartments and was concerned by the density of the units. Also parking would be an issue.

Cllr G Butler said that he thought there was a covenant that the annex could only be used by the Hotel.

Cllr K Reynolds said that the notice was only posted today and therefore should be extended. Also we need more commercial use of properties as there used to be seven businesses in that part of Cleobury.

Cllr B Davies proposed an objection on the points raised. Seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth. Voted all in Favour. 1 Abstained. **RESOLVED.**

01.7 Financial Matters and Accounts for Payment.

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| 01.7.0 Clerks Salary | 653.94 |
| 01.7.1 Cemetery Admin, Salary | 93.27 |
| 01.7.2 HMRC PAYE Tax and NI | 115.34 |
| 01.7.3 John Tuck (Notice Board) | 45.00 |
| 01.7.4 Shropshire Council (Bin Play Area) | 278.11 |
| 01.7.5 Reimbursements Clerk (Sept – Dec 2010) | 187.69 |
| 01.7.6 Dave Short (Church Gardens Nov 2010) | 37.20 |

Cllr B Davies proposed the payments are paid, Seconded by Cllr D Brown. Voted all in favour. **RESOLVED.**

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The Chairman said that we would move on to item 01.9 next as Cllr S Thorogood was on his way.

01.9 Royal Wedding (Cllr K Reynolds)

The Clerk gave Cllr G Butler some details and a quote received which he read out and asked if we wanted to spend £1,000.

Cllr B Davies and Cllr M Reiner declared a Personal Interest.

There was a discussion that it could cost up to £1200.

Cllr G Butler said that we now had a start and need another two quotes.

Cllr B Davies said that it would only be for the Parish Children.

Cllr K Reynolds proposed a working group of himself Cllr B Davies and Cllr M Reiner to look into it further. Voted all in favour **RESOLVED.**

Cllr S Thorogood joined the meeting at 18.30pm. Giving his apologies.

01.8 "Market Hall Trustees" (Clerk, Cllr S Thorogood)

Cllr K Reynolds introduced Mrs Veronica Calderbank who was invited to act as a mediator on this next item.

Mrs Calderbank introduced herself and said that she used to be monitoring officer for South Shropshire Council and do know some of the Councillors and said that she had a conversation with Mr Skelhorn earlier that day who wanted to reassure and make representation that they were acting in good faith. She said that she would like it moved that the Parish Council move into closed session and that Cllr G Hainsworth need not leave the room.

Cllr B Davies proposed that the meeting be moved into closed session which was seconded by Cllr K Reynolds. Voted all in favour **RESOLVED.**

Under section 100a (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12a of the Act by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item.

Mrs B Davies proposed we go out of closed session seconded by D Brown, voted all in favour **RESOLVED.**

01.10 Bus shelters S Thorogood gave a presentation on his findings regarding the sitting of bus shelters at the bus stops in the High St. He explained he had consulted with three companies and adjacent properties which was the requirement from Shropshire council in obtaining the 75% grant. He stated that quotes had come in between £6000-£9000 however the cheaper quotes were not as thorough as the more expensive and Cllr Thorogood believed that the best value may be obtained from a more expensive quote in the long run. It was proposed by Cllr Thorogood and seconded by Cllr Hainsworth that Cllr Thorogood instructs the quote which he believed was best overall value and work with the officer from Shire Hall to complete the 75% grant and get them installed as soon as possible. Voted all agreed. **RESOLVED.**

MEETING CLOSED AT 07.30 pm

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN) DATE

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