

CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING of the CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL held at the Market Hall on Monday 6th JULY 2009 at 7.30pm.

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

6.0 Apologies for Absence J Griffiths.

Cllr K Reynolds Said that on behalf of the Parish he would like to offer congratulations to **Cllr Gwilliam Butler** and **Cllr Madge Shineton** on their victory in the elections. And introducing Madge and welcoming her to the meeting asked if she would like to say a few words.

Madge said that she was an Independent that was mainly concerned with Health and Housing and help the Community, and if Gwilliam was not around to help she would be there.

Cllr Betty Davis asked if they will be holding a surgery.

Madge said that she needed to discuss it with Gwilliam but probably September after holidays and the Joint Committee meeting.

Cllr Mike Rainer said is it a big improvement or will it be the same as before.

Madge said that it should be better as it will enable more things to be done and see on site planning meetings especially in Bridgenorth as it has never been done before.

Cllr Betty Davies said would they keep Parish Councils informed, for example the proposed planning of Harry Tuffins.

Cllr Gwilliam Butler said that it should be looked at 28th July but will have site visits.

Madge said that there will over 90% of meetings on site and they will get the information to the Parish Councils concerned.

Cllr Gilbert Carter said that our unitary area is such a vast area, can 2 people cope with it?

Madge said that they will cope as they need to work with the Parish Councils as their eyes and ears. Both Gwilliam and Madge will work to keep Parishes in the loop more.

Cllr Ken Reynolds asked if they were familiar with the law about empty properties.

Gwilliam said that the Council can make compulsory purchase.

Ken said that he had listened to a programme on the radio about the fact that the Council can take over empty properties.

Gwilliam said that it was not the policy of the Shropshire Council but may be of Housing Association.

Ken said that there was a 4 bedroom house in the Furlongs that is boarded up and looks a mess, also a bungalow has been built behind and no one living in it.

Gwilliam said we should write to Cox Homes and ask their intentions.

Madge said she would look into it.

Ken said that we need a proper Policeman in Cleobury Mortimer.

Madge said that she was working with the police and would look into it.

Ken thanked Madge for coming to the meeting and talking to us.

7.1 Declaration of Interests

Re Stewart Mumford

Cllr K. Reynolds (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs B. Davies, Mrs D. Brown.

G. Hainsworth, M. Reiner. G. Butler, G. Carter & R. Lloyd **Declared an Interest**

Re Harry Tuffins

Cllr Mrs Betty Davies and Cllr G Butler **Declared an Interest**

Re The Old Vicarage

Cllr G Carter **Declared an Interest**

JULY MEETING CONTINUED

7.2 To adopt the minutes of the meeting held 1st June 2009

In the minutes 6.1 Cllr R Lloyd declared an interest and this had been missed out. Cllr B Davies proposed and seconded by Cllr R Lloyd **All in Favour RESOLVED.**

7.3 Matters arising from the minutes

Cllr Ken Reynolds said that the mole catcher caught 26 moles at £5 each but only charged £60 but has requested cash.

Cllr G Carter said that we cannot pay out cash

Matt said that we would need some paperwork, an Invoice.

Ken said that he would have another word with him.

7.4 Parish Matters

Cllr G Butler said he has had a request for a dog litter bin down the Catherton road and also a dog gate to field.

Cllr G Carter said that the farmer to the field had said that he did not want a gate there.

Cllr G Butler said that Mr Sing has been ordered to paint his shop front by Shropshire Council because of the fact that it is in a conservation area and they are listed buildings.

Cllr Ken Reynolds said that he sat on the committee and no one told the shop keepers that they had to be a particular colour.

Cllr G Butler said that it was organised by Cleobury Country.

Cllr B Davies said that when they ran the shop they were told about the conservation colours when painting the shop front.

Cllr M Reiner said that he was very disappointed that they were not told at the beginning. There were further discussions about the Council enforcing them to re paint the shop fronts when they were not informed at the start.

Cllr K Reynolds said that we should leave Gwilliam and Madge to fight for the Shopkeepers.

Voted to leave shop fronts as they are 7 for 2 Against Resolved.

Cllr G Butler said that a few people had mentioned that the May minutes had item 5.7 missing.

Matt said that it was a mistake he made and was too late to change it. He had just missed a number out in order.

Cllr M Reiner said that there was a problem with the Lower street drains

Cllr R Lloyd said that the drains in pavement outside the Café were blocked.

Also is the new car park private or Housing Association.

Cllr G Butler said that it is Housing Association.

Cllr B Davies said that we should that we should get in touch with Bromfield Corinthian and make sure they keep the Parish Council up to date.

Cllr K Reynolds said that the bench at the top of Quarry bank should be replaced. To be put as an Agenda item for next meeting.

Also we need to move the soil at the Cemetery. Bull Alley is getting overgrown and the sub station.

A light is needed between the corner and bottom of Barnfields and needs to be an Agenda item for next meeting.

Cllr B Davies said that she wanted Tenbury Road an Agenda item for next meeting.

7.5 Correspondence and Reports

. All correspondence listed.

JULY MEETING CONTINUED

Cllr K Reynolds Said that to save Ryland waiting we can bring item 7.8 forward.

7.8 Benches at St Mary's Church Ground (Ryland Robertshaw)

Ryland Robertshaw said thank you for the invitation.

He said the Cleobury Partnership group for young people and the Church are worried about the young people who congregate at the back of the Church and sit on the stone bridge. There is always a lot of litter around there and Graffiti on the wall.

We were young once and we don't blame the kids and we don't want to tell them to go. The land is for the Public to enjoy and Gwilliam has said that other people sit and have their lunch there.

We would suggest that we have some seating at the back of the Church and some at the side which would encourage them to move.

Ryland then showed the Councillors some photos he had taken of an area in Highley that could be done in the Church grounds. One of which was a shelter. He showed us photo's he had taken.

Cllr R Lloyd said what about the upkeep of the benches.

Ryland said that finances for the Church was not very good as still fundraising to pay debts and it is also in need of re wiring plus maintaining the Churchyard.

Cllr Ken Reynolds said that it is sacred ground and there are graves there, also people have come from Canada to find a gravestone.

A Yew tree was cut down and as superstition says we have had bad luck.

Cllr Rachael Lloyd said that without sounding patronising, has anyone from a younger age group talked to them, someone nearer their age group.

Ryland said that they have been conversations with them at the Youth Club and the Church doesn't have a problem with them, they are young people and they are just acting like it.

Cllr Gwilliam Butler said where can people like visitors sit and enjoy the gardens and have a picnic. If that is seen it will encourage more people to stop. Why can't we have 2 benches and a picnic table?

Cllr G Carter asked who would have to maintain it.

Cllr Mike Reiner said that we would a Bin and Picnic table.

Cllr G Butler said yes it would need to be 2 benches and a picnic table.

Cllr Betty Davies said that we did walk round and said we would have to do something.

Cllr G Butler said we would need 2 benches and picnic table at front and a bench at the back of the church. Can I make a proposal that the Parish Council put in £1,000 to get the job done.

Cllr M Reiner seconded the proposal, **VOTED ALL IN FAVOUR RESOLVED.**

Ryland Robertshaw said thank you for the time and the money.

7.6 Planning Applications

09/0131/TCA to fell Silver Birch in Simon Evans close. All in Favour **RESOLVED**

09/00509/CON Demolition work at Harry Tuffins. Deffered until outcome of previous planning application for same property. 6 in Favour 2 Abstained. Voted. **RESOLVED.**

09/00913/TCA To fell 3 different types of trees at the Old Vicarage. Coucillors wanted to view Trees before making decisions.

7.7 Financial Matters

All agreed to pay items listed but Cllr G Butler said we must write to Cleobury Country as they have funds for the Memorial Cross.

JULY MEETING CONTINUED

7.9 Risk Assessment update (Cllr G Hainsworth)

Cllr G Hainsworth said that he started from scratch but hoped the layout was ok.

Cllr R Lloyd said it was a good layout and easy to read.

Cllr G Hainsworth that he put down what he had found but there must be formal accountability. How do we progress?

Cllr Ken Reynolds said that they have to be genuine things and Cllr Madge Shingleton has experience in this area and to get in touch with her for advice.

Cllr Betty Davies said that the pavement was done in the street Enhancement to stop cars mounting the kerb.

Cllr Geoff Hainsworth said that 90% of blow outs of car tyres were due to side wall damage.

Cllr R Lloyd said that parking restrictions should be looked at, perhaps an Agenda item for next meeting.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that we have a problem with parking on pavements, broken lines and also a problem with dog fouling.

Cllr R Lloyd said there is also a problem with people parking on the Zig Zags.

Cllr G Butler said that there was concern about the wall in Childe road being unsafe.

7.10 Memorial Gardens Update

Cllr Ken Reynolds said that he had received 3 Quotes to do the work on the Memorial Gardens

Cllr M Reiner said does the work include the flag pole.

Cllr G Butler said we would have to check the plans.

Cllr G Carter said who is paying for the Cross to be done. We should see what the British Legion is doing. This seems to be a grey area.

Cllr G Butler said we need to get in touch with the British Legion it will be quite a cost for a mason to take away the cross and put the names on, and then put it back.

We must keep the local British Legion informed.

These were looked at by all the Councillors and discussed.

The best quote was by P J Contractors and was proposed by Cllr B Davies to accept subject to checking their Public Liability Ins. **VOTED 7 FOR AND 1 ABSTAINED**

RESOLVED.

7.11 Date for August meeting.

After a discussion it was agreed that unless it was urgent, there would be no meeting until September.

7.12 Cemetery Cllr K Reynolds.

Cllr Ken Reynolds said that a meeting was required with Teresa Barnes to sort out some issues. Matt needs to write a letter to ask her to get in touch with Cllr Ken Reynolds and arrange a meeting.

7.13 MULLER GROUND

This was discussed and Matt was to get in touch with Justin Parker the solicitor working on behalf of the Parish Council .

Cllr G Butler proposed and Cllr R Lloyd seconded ALL IN FAVOUR RESOLVED.

Cllr D Brown gave an update of the Unitary Committee meeting.

She said that the next meeting was in Cleobury Mortimer on 20th July, that there will be 4 main meetings a year in Cleobury as it is central.

They are looking at grants and how to split the £36,000 in pot to help all areas.

JULY MEETING CONTINUED

Cllr G Butler asked how the smaller parishes go on about it.
Cllr D Brown said that there is some concern but they are looking at funding for things like Policing and Parking.
Cllr G Butler said that we could do with more Youth workers.
Cllr D Brown said that if anyone has any suggestions for next meeting to get in touch.

MEETING CLOSED AT 10.05PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN) DATE

EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING AT 7.30 3RD AUGUST 2009 FOR MR JUSTIN PARKER TO UPDATE THE PARISH COUNCILLORS.

PRESENT: Cllr K. Reynolds (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs B. Davies, Mrs D. Brown. G. Hainsworth. G. Butler, G. Carter

ABSENT: Cllr J Griffiths, Cllr R Lloyd, And Cllr M Reiner.

Mr Justin Parker from MFG Solicitors discussed many points that affected MULLER ground as listed in the reply from MULLERS Solicitors.
Right of way and access, public liability for road, services through site, parking rights, and the Range that is under the ground were the main concerns.
After a good discussion on all of the points mentioned It was agreed that the Councillors have a visit and inspection.
Cllr Ken Reynolds thanked Mr Justin Parker for taking the time to come and update us all.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.10PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN) DATE