

CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING of the CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL held at the Market Hall on Monday 7th DECEMBER 2009 at 7.30pm.

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

Also present: Cllr M Shingleton, Mr Ian Pipe.

12.0 Apologies for Absence G. Hainsworth, Cllr G Butler

12.1 Declaration of Interests

NONE.

12.2 To adopt the minutes of the meeting held 2nd November 2009

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

12.3 Matters arising from the minutes

Cllr R Lloyd brought up the Youth Forum, that she had talked to her son and his friends and they found that the Parish Hall worked well and they didn't like the Talbot yard.

They would like to have something once a month and they had lots of ideas.

Cllr D Brown said that it would be worth looking at Bewdley as they are very successful.

Cllr R Lloyd said that it should cater for all age groups.

Cllr D Brown said that there should be a youth rep on any planning.

Cllr K Reynolds said that we did say about using the Market Hall.

Cllr D Brown said that we must look at the Market Hall as a safe and viable option.

Cllr Madge Shingleton said that there was £5,000 for the Youth.

Cllr K Reynolds explained to Cllr M Shingleton that this was a Parish Council meeting and as she was not a Parish Councillor she could not speak unless asked to do so.

Cllr M Shingleton apologised.

Cllr D Brown said that £5,000 had been ring fenced for the youth forum from the Local Joint Committee. It will be discussed at the next L.J.C meeting.

Cllr B Davies thanked Cllr K Reynolds for his work arranging the Memorial Cross opening, that it went very well and everyone was very pleased.

12.4 Parish Matters

Cllr B Davies said that the Pot hole in the Furlongs was getting bigger.

Matt Sheehan said that it had been reported and would chase it up.

Cllr R Lloyd said that she would like to congratulate the Chamber of Trade on the Christmas lights. She also wanted to mention the Pot holes in the road leading to Ditton Mill.

Matt Sheehan said that it had been reported and was down to be done, but he would chase it up again.

Also Cllr R Lloyd thanked Cllr G Hainsworth for attending and speaking at the Planning meetings for Tuffins, on behalf of the Parish Council.

Cllr B Davies said that we need to write a letter to Gilbert Carter to thank him for all his work.

Cllr J Griffiths said that as you approach the Zebra crossing at night, it is not very well lit, and was it possible to get more lighting?

Cllr D Brown said that the crossing has proved very successful but could it be upgraded to a pelican crossing.

Matt Sheehan explained that once a new project was done it is left for 12 months before the Highways look at it again, but he would chase it up.

Cllr R Lloyd said that perhaps we could get elevated lights as well as normal lights.

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Cllr D Brown said that we get a lot of through traffic.

Cllr K Reynolds said that Matt could look into it.

Cllr M Reiner said that there were getting too many A Boards again in the main street.

Matt Sheehan said that this had been addressed before by personally talking to the shop owners and would keep an eye on it.

Cllr M Reiner said that there was a streetlight out in Pinkham.

Matt Sheehan said he would report it.

Cllr K Reynolds said that the hedge opposite the Parish hall was leaning over into the road and the trees were getting bigger, also he had showed Phil James from the Highways this when he came to Cleobury.

It may cause a problem to close off the road. Can Matt look into it.

Matt Sheehan explained what he had done so far regarding The Wells. He said that he had contacted all local Newspapers, Highways, Environment Agency, and Conservation Agency but needed help as it takes a lot of time.

Cllr R Lloyd said that perhaps we should get in touch with Central television.

Cllr B Davies said that once it is gone we cannot get it back.

Cllr K Reynolds said that something needs to be done quickly.

Cllr R Lloyd said that she would be happy to take it on to chase up.

Cllr D Brown said that the Church could also be compromised as it ran under their ground through Clay which would now dry up.

Cllr K Reynolds asked if everyone was in favour of Rachel taking it on.

Cllr J Griffiths asked if we could ask Cllr Madge Shineton.

Cllr K Reynolds asked that we suspend the meeting so Madge could speak.

Cllr J Griffiths asked if this had ever happened before.

Cllr M Shineton said that in 2007/2008 there was an underground stream that ran under the New Inn and when we had a lot of water it does flood above ground. There is a natural Cavern to Tuck hill and the outlet had collapsed

The problem with builders is proof, you need evidence but I agree you need to press on as it is a concern of where it will come up.

Cllr K Reynolds resumed the meeting.

Matt Sheehan said he would pass on all information and contacts to Cllr R Lloyd.

He then went on to explain about the speed signs in the Tenbury road and needed to confirm moving the 30mph sign further up and also the 40mph buffer sign.

He talked about the costs for the new pedestrian sign that was required outside the Talbot to point to the Polices Station, Dentist, Pub and shops.

We could have Blue and white or Black and Gold sign at a cost of £350 or a cast Iron one with a cost of over £2,000.

Cllr R Lloyd said that a Blue and White would not look good. And proposed that we went for the Black and Gold. This was seconded by Cllr D Brown **Voted All in FAVOUR.**

RESOLVED

Cllr K Reynolds said that as Mr Ian Pipe was here from the Glen Caravan Park we should hear what concerns he has under Parish matters.

Mr Pipe said that his boss had sent a letter to the Parish Council voicing his concerns.

The Caravan park have put a lot of business into Cleobury over the years and have caravan owners that have paid 30-50k for a caravan to come and use. Because of the Skate park on a Friday and Saturday night we have bottles and all kinds of litter thrown onto the Caravans and the noise with music until the early hours of the morning.

We would like the Councils help to get something done.

I have personally talked to the Headmaster of the School all I was told was no money or resources, and offered no help.

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Sarah's decision to call a meeting saying that something needed doing but she was not there.

Ian continued that they needed a more active Police presence. He had phoned to report the loud music at 11pm until 2am but the Police said that it was a low priority as he was the only caller and they needed 5-10 callers. So now he has given all the Caravan owners the Police number to call.

The Glen Caravan Park caters for mainly the over 55 age group of which 95% of owners are. He has spent another £89 today to replace damaged plants and we need help. He continued that the CCTV camera was useless, and there is no Police presence after 10pm so they have a free reign.

Cllr J Griffiths said that perhaps they could put up a fence.

Mr Ian Pipe said that they would need 15ft high trees.

Cllr R Lloyd said that might affect the light.

Cllr B Davies said that we still hadn't heard from Sarah after her meeting that she didn't turn up to.

Cllr K Reynolds said that it was a Police matter.

Ian Pipe asked who was responsible for the Skate park.

Both Cllr K Reynolds and Cllr D Brown said that it was the responsibility of the Lacon Childe school.

Ian Pipe said that there was also maintenance required on the gates.

Cllr R Lloyd said that if the Police are not willing then we should remove the Skate park altogether.

Cllr D Brown said that perhaps we could have fixed opening times.

Ian Pipe said it would still require policing and he would help.

Cllr R Lloyd said that we should take the matter higher with the Police.

Cllr K Reynolds said that it was the School who wanted it moved.

Cllr R Lloyd said perhaps we should get it moved back.

Cllr D Brown said that the Police don't seem to be doing anything about the drinking.

Cllr K Reynolds said that we should write a letter to Board of Governors at the School and the Police higher up and also to the County Council.

Cllr D Brown said that we should support the Caravan Park.

Cllr B Davies said that it was a concern of the Sports Hall too.

Cllr D Brown said that it was raised at the L.J.C meeting but it needs pushing.

Ian Pipe said that there is also a concern with the wording on the sign at the end of the path leading to the skate park.

Cllr K Reynolds thanked Mr Ian Pipe and said we would follow it up.

Mr Ian Pipe thanked the Councillors for their time and left.

12.5 Correspondence and Reports

Cllr M Reiner gave a brief report of the SALC meeting in Shrewsbury. He said that the Chief Superintendent was there and they intend to patrol the streets better. Also the crime rate was down from 13% to 5% in South Shropshire.

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12.6 Planning Applications

Cllr B Davies declared a personal interest in Dunhill.

PLANNING REFERENCE : 09/0354/TCA

DEVELOPMENT : To carry out various works to trees within Cleobury Mortimer Conservation Area

LOCATION : Inverbeg, Pinkham, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8QE

Voted all in favour. **RESOLVED.**

PLANNING REFERENCE : 09/03463/FUL

DEVELOPMENT : Erection of a dwelling with associated double garage.

LOCATION : Land off Eagle lane, Cleobury Mortimer DY14 8RA

This application was discussed and it was concluded that there needed to be a site visit and also there were concerns that it was in conflict with a previous application that the ground covers where the parking spaces were located on a previous planning application. It was concluded that Matt should question with planning before making any decisions.

12.7 Financial Matters and Accounts for Payment

Cllr B Davies proposed seconded by Cllr R Lloyd. VOTED All in favour **RESOLVED.**

12.8 Cemetery concerns (Matt Sheehan)

This item is moved to last.

12.9 Local Joint Committee Update (Cllr D Brown)

Cllr D Brown said that she needed to know if there was anything the councillors wanted brought up at the next meeting.

Cllr B Davies said that the Skate park should be one.

Cllr D Brown said that we need to take the correct action.

12.10 Date for Precept meeting (Cllr D Brown)

Cllr D Brown said that we needed a separate meeting so we could concentrate.

Cllr M Reiner and Cllr R Lloyd agreed.

Cllr K Reynolds said that a Monday night would be best and how about the Monday after the next Parish meeting 11th January 2010.

VOTED All in favour **RESOLVED.**

12.11 Report re Tuffins meeting (Cllr G Hainsworth)

As Cllr G Hainsworth was absent, Matt Sheehan read out his report which everyone had a copy as below.

Events started with a site visit which I nearly missed as the District Councillors did not go to Tuffins but drove to Vaughan Rd and peered over the fence where the Tuffins agent had pieces of wood laid out to illustrate the slightly reduced impact of the revised plans. My appearance seemed to catch them unawares but they did not show any inclination to

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share any of their views with me. There were no other attendees to the site meeting, probably due to short, or lack of notice.

At the Planning Committee meeting in Bridgnorth after a brief resume of the Tuffins plans and the modifications since the last review I was asked to speak on the behalf of Cleobury Mortimer Parish Council and I extended our objections as put forward at the meeting in Ludlow.

Car parking: I emphasised the point that although the retail area was being quadrupled the amount of parking remained the same. I made the point that there was hardly sufficient parking for their own employees (At Ludlow this was countered by the statement that since most of the employees were local they would be able to walk there) and that local or not they still tended to drive there.

Environmental impact: Noise, I clarified that the new plans meant that deliveries were moved back across the site so that they were right next to neighbouring residential property.

Proximity to neighbouring property, although I welcomed the movement 1 metre back from the boundary and the reduction in height from 6 metres to 5.4 metres, I said that it was a matter of opinion how significant this change was.

I was not questioned on any of the points that I made and the Tuffins representative was asked if he wanted to speak but declined. Again I was the only independent representative from Cleobury Mortimer.

The plans were then opened for Committee discussion and District Councillor Madge Shineton thanked the developers for reducing the environmental impact of the application and proposed acceptance. This was seconded by District Councillor Robert Tindall and passed unanimously.

Cllr M Shineton asked the Chairman if she could speak

Cllr K Reynolds gave permission.

Cllr M Shineton said that the 2nd site visit was to talk about the conditions imposed and we must understand that lawfully it could not be refused.

Cllr K Reynolds said that to be fair they did not listen to our objections and did propose it went through and as you attend our meetings knew our objections.

Cllr M Shineton said that she must refute your objection that you know perfectly well that there are planning laws that we have to follow, Government and Strategically conditions

Cllr D Brown said can you just give a brief summary of points.

Cllr M Shineton said that there was contamination of land 2 which go down to that , Human health sewer lines and services. They have to have a full appraisal, if contamination is found then it is monitored more stringent than that of a house.

Development is carried out with revised plans. Basement, 1st floor Boundary etc.

Cllr B Davies said that the car park was a real issue.

Cllr M Shineton said that the new car park could be used and they could walk to the centre. External lighting, noise report, waste management will be looked at. Developer to provide a pedestrian crossing.

Cllr B Davies said that it will be difficult to place a crossing because of the junction and over driveways.

Cllr M Shineton there will still be some discussions involving the Parish Council like parking, deliveries, loading and unloading.7am to 7pm week days and 6am to 6pm Sat and Sundays.

Details of the Car Wash must also be approved.

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Cllr K Reynolds said that we had discussed it enough and must move on.

12.12 CCTV Representative required (Matt Sheehan)

Matt Sheehan explained that he had received an e-mail that they all have a copy of, from Lisa Bedford, requesting that we provide a representative for the upcoming meeting to sort out the close circuit TV for Cleobury Mortimer, to be fitted.

Cllr M Reiner and Cllr K Reynolds said they would attend.

12.13 Streetlights (Matt Sheehan)

Matt Sheehan said that because of his concerns about the wasting of funds looking after the remaining 12 streetlights that were still on timers, he had quotes for converting them. This would stop the engineer being called out every time we have a power cut which changes the times when the lights are on.

He said that after talking to Cllr G Butler he thought we should hear what is happening with grants to change streetlights to solar operated.

As Cllr Butler was not present we could not continue.

NEXT ITEMS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

12.8 Cemetery concerns (Matt Sheehan)

12.8 Muller Update (Cllr K Reynolds)

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.40pm

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN) DATE