

CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the MEETING of the CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL held at the Market Hall on Monday 6th September 2010 at 7.00pm.

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

Clerk: Mr M Sheehan

Public: 2 Parishioners.

Guest Speaker: Kate Adams, Street Scene Manager (New Toilets) (10 mins)

Cllr K Reynolds first of all asked if there was any of the Public who wanted to speak to the Council.

Rachel Neaves said that she wanted to raise 2 points.

First of all Rachel wanted the Parish council to consider putting extra bins in the Play Area as per her request via e-mail.

Secondly as she lives in Lower Street she explained about the road re surfacing two years previously and the road markings we not done properly and they caused a mess. She also asked what was happening about Mullers and the Clerk explained that some items are discussed behind closed doors 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. This was to stop speculation and rumours. But as soon as the Parish council knew which direction to take it will be disclosed.

Cllr K Reynolds thanked her and said that the points were noted for a response.

Cllr Ken Reynolds then welcomed Kate Adams and asked her to speak to the Parish Council.

Kate said that she was very frustrated that nothing was happening as property services had a new design which the designer was not prepared to change the design so we had to start again from scratch. The designs should be ready the first week of October and out to public tender which should then be started after December and completed April 2011. The electric is already there and there will be three cubicles, 1 gents, 1 ladies, 1 disabled and baby changing. It will not be automated but will be up to spec.

Cllr G Butler said that it will have to be discussed as an Agenda item as we may have to maintain it. Also he has been talking to Steve Brown and have got the feeling that when the toilets are built we may be asked to take ownership.

In the long term the thinking is to hand over ownership to Market Towns and if Shropshire Council says that we have to take over the toilets then we have spent £180,000 for something we don't want.

Kate said that the toilets at Eagle lane will be sold off after.

Cllr B Davies said that Shropshire Council does not have to supply toilets.

Cllr K Reynolds said that if we did take them over we could be asked to take over more.

Kate said that they could be coin operated.

Cllr G Butler said we need to put on October Agenda to look at overall as the money is ring fenced for Cleobury Mortimer.

Kate asked that the Parish Council get back to her if there are any questions.

She concluded by saying that Cleobury Mortimer has been entered for the Cleanest Town in Britain awards along with Church Stretton.

There will be a random inspection in October or November.

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Cllr K Reynolds thanked Kate for talking taking the time to come and update us.

09.0 Apologies for absence

None.

09.1 Declaration of Interests

Cllr K Reynolds item 09.6 planning 10/03499/FUL

Cllr B Davies item 09.7.18 Financial Matters.

09.2 To adopt the minutes of the Meetings held on the 12th July, 2nd August 2010 2 mistakes were pointed out.

1/ AGM were written down and it should have been ORDINARY.

2/ Cllr S Thorogood was put down as being at the 2nd August Extraordinary Meeting and was not there.

Both of these items were corrected by the clerk and initialled.

Cllr M Reiner proposed that the minutes are now correct and was seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth. VOTED All in Favour **RESOLVED.**

09.3 Matters Arising From the Minutes

Cllr G Hainsworth said that the car park at the Three Horseshoes was turning into a tip even though a lot has been taken away is still requires a good sweep up.

Clerk will follow up.

09.4 Parish Matters

Cllr B Davies said that the Talbot Car Park is always full and that we need to sort out the Skips.

Cllr G Butler said that the car parks will be looked at in the spring and perhaps need first hour free in Talbot and then pay.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that they both offer long stay and perhaps the Talbot car park should be short stay.

Cllr M Reiner has been asked about the sign of Paul Jordan's that is still on the railings around the Memorial cross.

The Clerk said that he had phoned him three times and each time he was told it would be done.

Cllr K Reynolds said that he would have a word.

Cllr M Reiner said that he was also about the new sign by the Talbot that is bent.

The Clerk said that he would chase it up.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that it needed bollards or moving to the other side of the pavement.

Cllr K Reynolds said that the Hurst is full of brush and sawdust since e-On cut the trees and it will block the drains. Also the corners drain smells.

He went on to say that some of the residents in Mortimer gardens and the locks on the bungalows need to be changed but South Shropshire Housing say they have no money.

Cllr G Butler said that he would raise the issue with the Police. He went on to say that there are empty properties around Cleobury, top of the Furlongs, a barn conversion and also the Manor House which he has mentioned to Maurice Homes, which we must all agree is starting to look derelict now.

With this in mind we should look at the new policy of compulsory purchase. There is also the old Redfern Hotel. He said he will be seeing Tom McCabe next week to discuss the issues.

Cllr K Reynolds said that the Market Hall had their meeting and discussed the money owed to the Parish Council and Roger Skellern is taking Legal Advice, so perhaps we should also.

Cllr G Butler said that the amount was agreed at meetings and passed.

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Cllr D Brown said that we should have Independent legal advice.

Cllr G Butler said that we should not employ anyone until we have heard from the Market Hall Trustees.

7.40pm Cllr J Griffiths joined the meeting.

Cllr D Brown said it was difficult as councillors and Trustees.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that he could see both sides.

Cllr K Reynolds said that he was worried about the £25,000 still owed to the Parish Council.

It was agreed to wait until the Market Hall got back.

Cllr G Hainsworth said that the Clerk and he had looked at the crack in the wall at the entrance of Orchard End and was not an immediate risk but would keep an eye on it.

09.5 Correspondence & Reports

Cllr G Butler said that he had representation from the High Street to Eagle lane to look at a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, from the Fountain to Tuffins and proposed we support it. This was seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth. Voted all in favour. **RESOLVED.**

Cllr D Brown reported that the Planning Training was very informative and worthwhile.

Cllr G Butler said that there is a training night organised on October 7th for all Councillors on standards. All councillors said they would be attending.

He went on to explain about the Flooding forum.

09.6 Planning Applications

PLANNING REFERENCE: 10/03499/FUL

DEVELOPMENT Erection of two storey extension to side elevation.

PROPOSED

LOCATION: 9 Ronhill Crescent, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8AT

OS REFERENCE: 367448 – 276214

This was discussed and proposed No Objection by Cllr B Davies and seconded by Cllr G Butler. Voted all in favour. **RESOLVED.**

PLANNING REFERENCE: 10/03552/FUL

DEVELOPMENT Application under Section 73a of the Town and Country

PROPOSED Planning Act 1990 for change of use of land from woodland to air rifle range (retrospective).

LOCATION: Furnace Mill Fishery, Cleobury Mortimer DY14 8NR

OS REFERENCE: 371722 – 276466

After discussing this, the councillors agreed that a site visit was required before any decision could be made.

PLANNING REFERENCE: 10/03593/LBC

DEVELOPMENT Alterations in association with subdivision of existing.

PROPOSED dwelling to form two residential units affecting a Grade II Listed Building.

LOCATION: 46-47 Hight St, Cleobury Mortimer DY14 8DQ

OS REFERENCE: 367187 – 275739

This was discussed and Cllr G Butler proposed No Objection and seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth. Voted all in favour. **RESOLVED.**

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09.7	<u>Financial Matters and Accounts for Payment.</u>	£
09.7.0	Clerks Salary	653.94
09.7.1	Cemetery Admin, Salary	93.27
09.7.2	HMRC PAYE Tax and NI	115.34
09.7.3	ALC (Training for Councillors & Clerk, Planning)	75.00
09.7.4	R M Price (Grass Cutting, 23 rd July, 6 th August)	530.00
09.7.5	R M Price (Grass Cutting, 20 th Aug, 3 rd Sept)	530.00
09.7.6	R M Price (Supply and fit park bench Talbot)	172.00
09.7.7	R M Price (Replace Log swing post, Play Area)	45.00
09.7.8	Eric Mark	40.00
09.7.9	Flower by Fiona	25.00
09.7.10	Mumfords Ironmongers	78.00
09.7.11	Farlow Estates	587.50
09.7.12	D.Short (Church Gardens)	84.00
09.7.13	St Mary's Church Bell ringers (Donation agreed)	390.00
09.7.14	SLCC (Cilca Training Agreed)	150.00
09.7.15	C M Chamber of Trade (Fringe Donation Agreed)	5,000.00
09.7.16	H.M. Land Registry (Re Muller Land)	50.00
09.7.17	Prysmian (Streetlight Tenbury Rd)	1,621.12
09.7.18	Cllr B Davies (Fuel Expenses)	25.20

Cllr M Reiner proposed that payments are paid and seconded by Cllr D Brown. Voted all in favour. **RESOLVED.**

09.8 Old Library (Cllr G Butler)

Cllr G Butler said that the old Library was for sale.

The Clerk asked if it was worth having it for our own offices.

Cllr B Davies said that they were asking a lot for it.

Cllr G Butler said did we really want to buy it.

Cllr M Reiner said there would be heating and other bills.

Cllr S Thorogood said that he and Cllr G Hainsworth would go and have a look and report back.

09.9 Parish Plan (Cllr G Butler)

Cllr G Butler said that Tom Brettell wants to meet with some councillors to get everything going for a Public meeting.

Cllr D Brown, Cllr G Hainsworth and Cllr S Thorogood was named.

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09.10 LJC Report (Cllr D Brown)

Cllr D Brown said that there was not much to report. BT went to the last meeting to talk about Broadband which they are not planning to upgrade. The Vehicle Activation Signs were discussed.

Cllr S Thorogood said that he and the Clerk had a meeting and the place that was determined the best location was between the Cemetery and the Farm at the top of Cleobury and we would have a report.

09.11 Public Toilets (Cllr G Butler)

This item was covered earlier by Kate Adams.

09.12 Parish Website (Clerk)

The Clerk said he had a meeting with Steve Shotton from Mortimer Solutions about the website and found out that Ricky who initially had taken on the job of doing the site had closed his business and moved on that is why he was difficult to get hold of.

After a meeting with Steve we had two options. One was to keep it as it is and we would be able to change things but would have to spend £120 a year to have minutes and Agenda uploaded by Steve and to alter things I would have to have Dreamweaver an expensive piece of software to alter pages. This would mean a lot of work.

The other option was to upgrade the site for a one off payment of £135 and myself and a couple of councillors could access the site and edit it with ease, and no yearly costs to upload minutes and Agendas. We would have the only access.

Cllr B Davies proposed the site be upgraded and was seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth. Voted all in favour. **RESOLVED.**

09.13 Market Hall Repayment update (Clerk)

The Clerk said that it was now down to the Market Hall Trustees as he had gone through all the old minutes with the previous Clerk, back to 1998 and found the relevant minutes relating to the monies owed, and passes them to the Market Hall.

The minutes confirmed that the £25,000 was owed to the Parish which was agreed to be paid back at £2,500 per year.

He had been told that it was discussed and that Roger Skellorn had asked for legal advice and so now we are just waiting for them to get back to us, and would keep the councillors updated.

09.14 Ins Policy Update (Cllr G Butler)

Cllr G Butler said that he had looked at the Ins Policy with the Clerk and it needed updating as we are only covered for £30,000 indemnity and we need a lot more.

The Clerk explained that the previous Clerk had looked at this before and the cost of the Insurance escalates as it goes up.

After some discussion it was agreed that we need to look at £70,000 in the short term which was proposed by Cllr G Butler and seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth. Voted all in favour. **RESOLVED.**

09.15 Fringe Update (Cllr G Hainsworth)

Cllr G Hainsworth said that has a Fringe bank account started with the £5,000 donated for events. Broadband is now in the Market Hall and the opening event, the Beer Festival

was a great success with the Brass Bands and a brilliant turnout, with at least 300 people at one stage. They also ran out of beer at 10.30pm.

The Craft fair was also a success and had a request to repeat it at Christmas.

09.16 Bus Shelters (Cllr G Butler)

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Cllr G Butler said that he has had requests for Bus Shelters in the town.

Cllr K Reynolds agreed that they were needed.

After a brief discussion it was agreed that Cllrs G Butler, S Thorogood and D Brown look at and report back.

09.17 Sports & Social Club (Cllr G Butler)

Cllr G Butler said that the Sports & Social club have £12,000 of their own money and have been awarded £2,500 of the shortfall of £7,000 from the Local Joint Committee, and are asking the Parish Council to help.

Cllr B Davies said that a lot of pubs in Cleobury are struggling.

Cllr G Butler said that it wasn't for the Bar it was to improve the Changing Facilities, creating more sports facilities.

Cllr B Davies was glad it was clarified and supported it.

Cllr M Reiner said he also had no objections.

Cllr J Griffiths said that we should give more help.

After some discussion it was proposed by Cllr M Reiner to donate £1,000 which was seconded by Cllr G Butler. Voted All in Favour. **RESOLVED.**

It was also agreed that if more was needed to address the Parish Council again.

09.18 Trees Opposite Parish Hall Update (Clerk)

The Clerk said that he had arranged a meeting with Philip Burford from the Diocese and they are getting quotes to cut the trees. He had also seen the residents in the cottage on the corner and they would also look at their section.

It was agreed that Cllr K Reynolds and Cllr M Reiner attend the onsite meeting with Philip Burford.

09.19 The Wells (Cllr K Reynolds)

Cllr K Reynolds said that the Wells had stopped again and there was water running continually through a drain by the Wells and asked could it be diverted into the Wells. The Clerk would make enquiries.

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Also could the Youth be contacted again to look at cleaning the Wells out?

Cllr G Butler then proposed that the Public be excluded for the next item, which was seconded by Cllr K Reynolds. Voted all in favour. RESOLVED.

09.20 Mullers Report (Cllr G Butler)

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.

MEETING CLOSED AT 09.30 pm

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN) DATE