



CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on MONDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2014, at 7pm in the Market Hall, Cleobury Mortimer.

Present:

Cllr S Thorogood (Chairman), Cllr D Brown (Vice-Chairman), Cllr B Davies, Cllr M Reiner, Cllr G Hainsworth, Cllr J Martin, Cllr B Hayward.

Clerk: Mr M Sheehan

RFO; Mrs D McBride

Public: 7

AGENDA:

0.09.0 Democratic 15 minute Public Time

The Chairman invited any of the public to speak.

No one requested to speak.

0.09.1 Apologies for absence

Cllr P French Reason; Holiday

RESOLVED to accept the apologies.

**0.09.2 Declaration of interests:
Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate, whether or not the interest is entered in the register of member's interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

Cllr Davies Planning a) **Reference:** 14/03314/FUL

Cllr Hainsworth Planning a) **Reference:** 14/03314/FUL

0.09.3 To approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting 7th JULY 2014

RESOLVED to accept the minutes and duly signed by the Chairman.

0.09.4 Matters arising from the minutes

Cllr Davies raised the point of the arranged employees meeting being cancelled and not informed.

The Chairman apologised and re scheduled it for Friday 12th September at 7pm in the Market Hall.

Cllr Hayward asked if the Clerk received any names for the Honours list.

Clerk had not.

The Clerk read out the following report.

➤ **Capital Receipt money**

Application forms and agreements drafted, with help from Councillors RFO, Vicky Turner and Joe Bubb Shropshire Council. To go out this week and to be completed by 26th September. Final agreement at October meeting.

➤ **Highways/ Streetlights Issues**

All pot holes reported and streetlights dealt with. Damaged streetlight Catherton Road is being dealt with and new streetlight Church Walk.

Mortimer Gardens entrance and drainage completed. Dropped kerb in hand by Medical Centre. Talbot car park Disabled bays to be re painted and barrier repaired.

➤ **Cemetery/ Church gardens**

New Bays completed. All headstones checked for safety by Stonemasons and Cllrs, Hainsworth, French.

Problem trees dealt with over footpath. Volunteer Clean Up day to organise with Cllr Martin.

Church Gardens tidied up and looked very good. Needs to keep up now.

➤ **Police/ Crime / Parking Enforcement**

Regular visits from both organisations.

Vicky Turner Shropshire Council organised Logo designed by school children with winner receiving a Gift



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voucher. Application for a grant from Crime Commissioners fund had been put in for two CCTV cameras and also for Smart water with signs for town.

➤ **Correspondence to note**

- Letter from Insurers regarding Bus Shelter now offering £750. Have 2 quotes to send.

➤ **Skate Park and surrounding area.**

Request sent for update and should have for October meeting.

➤ **Play Area**

Damaged Play equipment repaired due to Health and Safety concerns. Other work required.

➤ **Other Items**

Meeting with Vicky from Shropshire Council set for 8th September to go over Crime Logo update and other issues.

Meeting to arrange September with residents of Langland Road, with Police, Parking Enforcement officer and Highways in attendance.

Medical Centre opening went well as did Lights out evening at the Market Hall.

Letter of thanks sent to Mr Harley for his service to the Community.

To look at future Crime meeting to keep momentum.

Derek still emptying Skate Park bins when required.

0.09.5 Councillor's reports and items for future agendas

Cllr Davies raised the point of Hosing for local people an issue and need answers. Clerk to look into.

Cllr Hayward had received complaints about the Disabled bay outside the bank being awkward with the tree in the way when opening the door. Clerk already addressing with request for another dropped kerb.

Cllr Reiner raised the accident by the New Bridge and it needs barriers.

Cllr Thorogood informed the council that Mr Mike Longmore on the corner was filming the highway on the corner and captured the accident and was working with Shropshire Highways to address this issue.

Cllr Hainsworth raised the issue of solar farms. October agenda item

Cllr Martin informed the council that he and Cllr Hainsworth had met with Gavin Owen the Business Development manager from Shropshire Council to gain information at taking on an apprentice. They would be 30 hours a week working with the clerk, to gain level 2 Business admin being tailored to suit needs. Good meeting with formal process to go through.

Cllr Davies asked if the apprentice would get a certificate at the end.

Cllr Hainsworth reported that the County training would deal with that.

Other points were. Work alongside Clerk and RFO, grant £1500 for first six months but could take six months to get. They Already have someone in mind for placement.

RESOLVED to agree in principal to Option 1 of the proposal, subject to further investigations. To be put on October Agenda for final decision.

Cllr Hayward abstained from voting.

Cllr Davies asked for the clerks views. The clerk informed the council it was part of his suggestions in his proposals at the July meeting as one of a list of options, and it was not against the idea.

0.09.6 Unitary Report (Cllr G Butler / Cllr M Shineton

Cllr Shineton raised the following;

Future of Health meeting in Ludlow 23rd September with provision of care in the community, lots of little funds put together, Google better care fund for information.

Lacon Childe applied for Academy status with the primary school probably following same route. Also surrounding schools.

Youth partnership AGM September 8th 10am at Lacon, all welcome.



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Problem at Cleobury Meadows with underground tanks, going on for 8 months.
Looking at New bridge junction with Highways to possible changes March 31st next year.
Looking at double yellow lines by the junction at Vaughan road.
Training for councillors at Kinlet 2nd September.
Will be having an LJC meeting in the near future.
Hopefully we will keep the Library to be run similar to Severn Centre in Highley.
Have joined the task and finish group for Broadband to keep it going.

0.09.7 Planning Matters:

Planning:

a) **Reference:** 14/03314/FUL (validated: 24/07/2014)

Address: 10 Church Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, DY14 8BS

Proposal: Erection of a three storey rear extension

Applicant: Mr John Sant

RESOLVED No Objection

b) **Reference:** 14/03205/FUL (validated: 31/07/2014)

Address: 19 Curdale Close, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8DZ

Proposal: Brick outer skin cladding to existing bungalow

Applicant: Mr Harold Deane (Flat 1, Hopton Bank Garage, Hopton Bank, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire)

RESOLVED No Objection

c) **Reference:** 14/03472/FUL (validated: 13/08/2014)

Address: Proposed Development Land Off, Steeple Close, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire

Proposal: Erection of 2 No one bedroom flats

Applicant: Mr P Stokes (R Stokes And Sons Ltd, Acorns, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 0HZ)

The Parish Council **RESOLVED** to **OBJECT** to this application. This was because of Parking in an already congested cul-de-sac causing even more traffic and highway safety issues. There is also no vehicular access to the property. It would cause overlooking issues to neighbours in an already congested housing area, not consistent with the development plan of the surrounding area. Also being next to a public footpath, with right of way for the schools.

d) **Reference:** 14/03611/FUL (validated: 12/08/2014)

Address: Little Beck House, Lion Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, DY14 8BT

Proposal: Erection of a new single storey sun room (replacing an existing side utility)

Applicant: Mr Gwilym Butler

RESOLVED to refer back to Shropshire Council.

Planning Decisions Received: Information only.

Reference: 14/00956/FUL (validated: 26/03/2014)

Address: The Stable Tavern, 1 Talbot Square, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8BQ

Proposal: Sub-division of public house to create separate business unit for A3 use (restaurants/cafes) and separate living accommodation to include insertion of internal walls

Decision: **Withdrawn**

Reference: 14/03017/TCA (validated: 04/07/2014)

Address: 58 - 59 High Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8DN

Proposal: To fell 2 No Birch, 2 No Maple and 1 No Cypress Trees within Cleobury Mortimer Conservation Area

Decision: **No Objection**



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0.09.8 Finance: Mrs D McBride RFO

a) Accounts to be paid:

Cheques for payment
Cleobury Country Tourism - £400 (Leaflets)
AJ Bates - £2,100 (Cemetery bays, tree surgery)
R Price -£1393 (Grass cutting July, August)
Mazars - £480 (External Auditor)
Shropshire Council - £100 (Elections 2013)
Ludlow Skip Hire - £366
Lesley Lloyd - £1852.70 (Historic Core)
Phillips & Curry - £1501.18 (Historic Core)

The Clerk made the council aware of the following additions.

R Price - £50 (Urgent Play area repairs)
D & G Stone Svcs - £360 (Cemetery headstone repairs)

RESOLVED that the accounts are accepted and all payments are made.

b) Payments Received:

VAT - £307.70
Cemetery Total - £1,260

c) Invested Capital Receipt Funds

4th Aug £103,644.37 invested at 0.46% due out 6th Oct £103,697.93 (2 months)

0.09.9 Cemetery – Cllr French, Cllr Hainsworth, Cllr Martin

Cllr Hainsworth reported that the day spent with Cllr French and D&G stonemasons in the Cemetery went very well and they did a very good job.

I. Trees (Free from Shropshire Council)

RESOLVED to accept the trees and plant in the Cemetery.

II. Laurel Trees, Footpath obstruction foliage (Removal)

RESOLVED to remove and tidy up.

III. Artificial Grass on graves – Clerk

Discussed again at length and agreed to get in touch with grave owners who have already done this without permission and also look at what is done nationally. Report for October meeting.

IV. Bench Request for Cemetery – Clerk

RESOLVED to allow bench to be sited in Cemetery.

V. Volunteer Clean up day – Clerk, Cllr Martin

RESOLVED to have on Sunday 21st September starting at 10.30am to 1.30pm. Cllr Martin and clerk to arrange with posters. Clerk to make Insurers aware.

Cllr Hainsworth confirmed that the Cleobury Mortimer Footpaths Association would get involved.

VI. Provision for future burial – Cllr Brown

Cllr Brown informed the council that there were less than 300 grave spaces left in the Cemetery and some discussions need to take place soon.

Cllr Hainsworth commented on plan in the Cemetery was inadequate. Cllr Brown confirmed this was in hand, looking at computerising it all.

0.9.10 Play Area Committee, Car Boot Sale – Cllr Martin

Cllr Martin informed the council that a meeting had taken place with Rachel Symes to discuss the play area and a way forward due to the resignation of the committee and she still would like to help as a volunteer.

Cllr Brown suggested a Sub Committee needed forming. Also a Car boot was suggested for end of September to raise finance.

RESOLVED Cllrs Martin and Davies to organise.

0.9.11 Investors in the Environment – Cllr Martin

Cllr Martin raised this as something that the council could look at gaining as a nationally recognised accreditation. We could go for Bronze.



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Bronze from £150 +VAT: For a basic level of accreditation, all your business has to do is to undertake an environmental impact assessment, set targets for improved energy efficiency for resources such as energy, water and raw materials, take quarterly resource readings and report more detailed progress annually. It is also a requirement to have an environmental policy in place.

Cllr Brown suggested it could go towards Quality status.

RESOLVED to go ahead with Bronze, Cllr Martin to organise.

0.9.12 Skate Park – Cllr Martin

Waiting for further information. Put on October agenda.

0.9.13 Councillors Reimbursements – Cllr Thorogood

Waiting for further information. Put on October agenda.

0.9.14 Co Option – Clerk

Voting slips for the 2 candidates were given out.

RESOLVED that **Mr Toby Kirkby** is Co Opted as Cleobury Mortimer Parish Councillor.

0.9.15 Manor House Update – Cllr Thorogood

Cllr Thorogood informed the council that the owner Mr Iqbal had been in touch and requested a meeting with two councillors in the first instance, before addressing the Parish Council with options and intentions. Suggested himself as Chair and Vice Chair Cllr Brown. Agreed by councillors.

9.20pm RESOLVED to Suspend Standing Orders.

Cllr Shingleton requested that when meeting takes place can it be emphasised that it is a listed building and a pre application discussion with the conservation officer is needed.

9.22pm RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders.

The Chairman read out the following.

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.

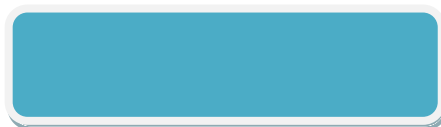
0.09.16 Parish Hall Update – Cllr Hainsworth

Cheques written:

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Meeting Closed at 9.33pm

Signed: Chairman



Date 6th October 2014