



# CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

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**Parish Council meeting held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2015 at 7pm in the Market Hall, Cleobury Mortimer.**

**Present:**

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

Clerk: M Sheehan

RFO: Dorothy McBride

Public: 3

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting and proceeded to the first item.

**0.06.0 Democratic 15 minute Public Time**

Mr Paul Hinwood wanted to inform the Parish Council of a planning application for an Anaerobic Digester he was submitting and to explaining the reasons.

As a beef farmer he wanted to use the manure from the cattle to generate electricity and the government are keen for farmers to do this.

He produced plans of the site for councillors to look at of the 2 acre site proposed on the farm and welcomed the councillors to a site visit if required. He also explained that if running well could produce enough electricity to run half of Cleobury and would also provide extra employment.

The only downside would be if agriculture took off again and it would take 4-5 years to pay back the outlay.

The Chairman thanked Mr Hinwood for taking the time to come and explain.

**0.06.1 Apologies for absence**

None

**0.06.2 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 J Martin 0.06.8 Finance: c)Grant Applications, enquiries**

SSYF - £2,500 (Youth activities)

**0.06.3 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> MAY 2015**

**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting with an amendment to item 5.12 Councillors on Committees needed changing from 2014 to 2015 version, as page printed wrong but correct version was sent out.

Duly signed by the Chairman.

**RESOLVED** to approve the confidential minutes which was duly signed by the Chairman.

**0.06.4 Matters arising from the minutes**

Clerk read out his Report as follows.

**General items**

Targeting Play area and the Skate Park for litter picking weekly by volunteers, also still emptying bin by Derek as and when required. Good feedback received.

Received request for help from resident of Tenbury road regarding overgrown trees and flooding concerns. To visit.

Questioned Shropshire Housing regarding issues of new allocations at Mortimer Gardens and received confirmation of it not just for the elderly.

Manor House is on track with good comments from community. Still weekly discussions with owner.

Notified of intention to remove Recycling bins at Lacon Childe car park. Agenda item.

Reply received from Lacon Childe regarding a meeting to discuss the proposal of public footpath removal. Agenda item.

Have met with Volunteers agency and they are very happy with what we are doing for them.

Received 3 planning applications after Agenda posted and have requested an extension but may have to have extraordinary meeting if not successful.

**Highways/ Streetlights Issues**

Heard from Insurers regarding Mawley Bus shelter, now require to know preferred contractor. Agenda item.

Following complaints about Ronhill and the lack of grass cutting and street sweeping among other things, had a



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meeting and walk around with Phil James from Highways. The following were addressed and are being attended to.

Ronhill grass cutting and loose litter bin, Main street markings and resurfacing, Loose kerbs Childe road, signs to old police station removal, pot holes Langland road.  
Hedge issue in New Road cut back after my visit.

➤ **Cemetery/ Church gardens**

Volunteers still doing a lot in the Cemetery with work keeping it tidy.  
Replaced artificial grass and worked with volunteers to make graves look at best. Had meeting with one owner weekend to help with flowers and tidy up for her family's visit for her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.  
Catching moles will be ongoing as new mounds appeared.  
Dorothy McBride Helen and Ben Smith still tending to Church Gardens weekly.

➤ **Police/ Crime / Parking Enforcement**

Regular visits from both organisations as usual  
Visit to look at Highley CCTV system cancelled, new visit to be arranged.  
Meeting arranged at Telford police station on Thursday with Mike Simpson, project manager of we don't buy crime to discuss extra funding and working together for Cleobury to become a Smartwater and We Don't Buy Crime town.  
Have worked to develop a poster to promote Smartwater with Gary Higgins and Vicky from Shropshire Council and pushing to get signs up in the town.  
Next Parking meeting to be arranged as with Crime group.

**Correspondence / Dates to note**

- **Next WW1 meeting 10am Monday 29<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2015**
- **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June Chairmanship Training**
- **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June Annual Town & Parish Emergency Planning Briefing 2015**

**Planning Decisions received after Agenda.**

Reference: 15/00998/FUL (validated: 05/03/2015)

Address: Muller England Ltd , High Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 8DT

Proposal: Installation of 720 roof mounted PV Solar Panels (180kw output)

Decision: Grant Permission

**0.06.5 Councillor's reports and items for future agendas**

Cllr Kirkby notified the council of a manhole cover where the Hurst meets Ronhill looks like it is collapsing. Clerk to notify Highways.

Cllr French notified the council of a manhole cover by the New Bridge may not be down correctly on pavement just past Yieldside. Clerk to notify Highways.

Cllr Hayward said parking in Vaughan road was still a concern. To be dealt with by the Parking group.

Cllr Reiner commented that he was pleased the grass cutting has been done correctly down Ronhill.

Cllr Thorogood raised the issue of the dip in the road before the Mawley turning. Clerk informed the council that Highways had issued the job to be done.

Cllr French informed the council that he was still looking at sourcing the Christmas lights. Clerk to arrange a meeting in July.

**0.06.6 Unitary Report (Cllr G Butler / Cllr M Shingleton)**

**Cllr Butler** raised the following points.

Sam Dev report received with modifications with no changes affecting Cleobury Mortimer but do have some concerns to look at.

Waiting for outcome of the summer budget plans, maybe not all will be negative.

More devolution of power e.g. roads.

George Osborne making West Midlands a power house but not in rural areas so constantly lobbying.

Will work with parish Council on recycling area concerns at School.

Cllr Shingleton raised the following.

The Parish Council will need to look at the Parish plan.

Changes being made of Portfolio holders.



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Care in the Community controlled by Cllr Lee Chapman and Simon Jones on Highways.

## **0.06.7 Planning applications:**

### **a) Planning Reference:**

Reference: 15/01877/FUL (validated: 14/05/2015)

Address: Barnsland Cottage, Tenbury Road, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8RE

Proposal: Installation of ground mounted mechanical solar tracking device

Applicant: Mr Nick Davies

**RESOLVED No Objection**

### **b) Planning permissions/refusals/ Appeals – weekly planning list from SC**

Reference: 15/00757/FUL (validated: 19/02/2015)

Address: Weir Adjacent Footbridge, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire

Proposal: Formation of fish pass in redundant leat channel

Decision: Grant Permission

Reference: 15/00864/FUL (validated: 13/03/2015)

Address: Land Adjacent To Meadowside, Weston Farm Barns, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, DY14 8PP

Proposal: Erection of a timber stable block

Decision: Grant Permission

## **0.06.8 Finance: – RFO D McBride**

### **a)Account to be paid:**

Shropshire Council - Wages

Cheques for payment –

Viking £86.40 - Toilet and Office Supplies

Rampmental £2,958 -Skate Park Repairs

M Sheehan £ 18.40 (Mileage)

R M Price £1,476 Grass Cutting & Repairs April and May

**The RFO made the Council aware of the following additions.**

D Malley £115 – Internal Auditor

R Price £342 – Grass cutting

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

### **b)Payments Received:**

**None**

### **c)Grant Applications, enquiries**

**19.37pm** Cllr Martin left the room for the next item.

SSYF - £2,500 (Youth activities)

The council looked at in detail with breakdown of costs.

**RESOLVED** a maximum payment of up to £1,549 which may be in stage payments.

**19.45pm** Cllr Martin re joined the meeting.

Cleobury Archers - £2,970 total (Replacement of equipment)

The RFO explained that this was an initial enquiry but required more information that has been requested. For a future agenda and may a capital receipt request.

### **d) Annual Audit**

a) Consider Internal Auditor's Report.

The Chairman read out the Internal Auditors report and thanked the RFO and Clerk for another excellent report with no issues.

b) Approve accounts and complete Annual Return

The Chairman read out all the statements in section 2 of the Annual governance statement for 2014/ 2015 for the External Audit.

**RESOLVED** to submit answers as indicated and duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

## **0.06.09 Proposed removal of Recycling Banks – Cllr Thorogood**

**7.55pm RESOLVED** to suspend Standing orders to let Cllr Shingleton speak.



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Cllr Shingleton said that the Parish Council was part of discussions when Lacon Childe was getting academy status and discussions on who was paying for the car park. Also her personal view is that maintenance should not come out of the education budget.

The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council was not part of any meetings only to do with taking over the Skate park area, but had received an email request for money towards the maintenance of the car park.

Other points raised were.

Weak argument that car park is damaged.

Have doorstep service for bottles and plastics.

Still require for elderly and people in flats.

Need to look at ownership issue.

**8.10pm** Cllr Hayward requested a short break and left the room.

Cllr Butler was asked about the previous plans for a recycling centre up the Tenbury road that was discussed.

Cllr Butler confirmed that the Robinsons were open to talks if went down that route at a peppercorn rent and could fund through the neighbourhood fund.

**8.14pm** Cllr Hayward re joined the meeting.

It was agreed that a meeting be set up on site with all parties involved as soon as possible. Clerk to arrange.

**8.15pm RESOLVED** to reinstate Standing Orders.

A working group of Cllrs Reiner, Hainsworth, French, Davies, Brown, Kirkby and Cllr Martin to report back.

**0.06.10 Proposed removal of footpath Lacon / Playing Field – Cllr Thorogood**

**RESOLVED** same working group as item 0.06.9 previously to cover both items at the meeting.

**0.06.11 Consider amendment to Councillors on organisations – Cllr Martin**

Cllr Martin was concerned that as a newly paid member of the Youth forum, he could no longer be a representative of the Parish Council on the group.

**RESOLVED** to take his name off to just leave Cllr Kirkby and change to CM Youth Partnership.

**0.06.12 Bus Shelter Mawley update – Clerk**

Decide preferred contractor for Insurers.

From the two quotes received the Insurers requested that the Parish Council name their preferred contractor.

**RESOLVED** that A.J.Bates be named as preferred contractor.

**0.06.13 Confirm date of the next Parish Council meeting**

*Next P.C. meeting 6<sup>th</sup> JULY 2015*

**The Chairman read out the following requesting the public and press be excluded for the next item.**

**RESOLVED.**

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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.

**0.06.14 Parish Hall Update –Clerk**

**Meeting Closed to the public and press at 8.25pm**

**Cheques written:**

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**Signed: Chairman**



**Date 6 / 7 / 2015**