



# CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

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**Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> JULY 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 R Hayward, Cllr T Kirkby, Cllr B Davies.

**Clerk:** M Sheehan

**RFO:** Dorothy McBride

**Public:** 8

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting and proceeded to the first item asking if anyone wished to speak.

**0.07.0 Democratic 15 minute Public Time**

Mrs Jill Davies representing the Patients voice spoke on their grant enquiry.

Have recently have raised £500 for equipment but need to buy a machine to help with lung and emphysema issues and needs help to get the machine.

Cllr Hayward asked for the cost.

Mrs Davies confirmed a cost of £1,300 and the Patients voice are running more charity events in September. All ages go to the surgery who are struggling to cope with the 7,000 patients, and in an ideal world it would be ok but the NHS are struggling and anything the Patients Voice can do to help, it will.

The Chairman thanked them for explaining.

Mr Ivor Lloyd, resident of the Furlongs, raised his objection to the development off the Furlongs of the plan to build two storey buildings. He agreed the ground does need something doing with. The access proposed is quite tight and tried to get information at the site meeting, but was not a satisfactory answer. Have concerns about the access to the rear of the Lion that would be used. The access roads of Ronhill Crescent and New Road are also a concern. Would the Parish Council support the concerns of the residents?

The Chairman confirmed that the council listen to the public concerns and it is important to get as many comments put on line as possible.

**0.07.1 Apologies for absence**

**Cllr J Martin** Reason; Unwell

**Cllr P French** Reason; Holiday

**RESOLVED to accept the apologies.**

**0.07.2 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 T. Kirkby** **0.07.8 Pecuniary Interest Finance:** Reimbursements

**0.07.7 Planning applications: b)** Reference: 15/01919/FUL

**Cllr D Brown** **0.07.7 Planning applications: b)** Reference: 15/01919/FUL

**Cllr B Davies** **0.07.7 Planning applications: b)** Reference: 15/01919/FUL

**0.07.8 Pecuniary Interest Finance: c) Grant Applications, enquiries**

**Cllr G Hainsworth** **0.07.10 Proposed removal of footpath Lacon / Playing Field Update**

**0.07.12 Permission for Food and Ale Trail posters**

**0.07.3 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2015 and extraordinary meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2015.**

**RESOLVED** to approve the minutes, which were duly signed by the Chairman.

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

**RESOLVED** to approve the extraordinary minutes, which were duly signed by the Chairman.

**0.07.4 Matters arising from the minutes**

Clerks Report up to date distributed at meeting

**General items**

Targeting Play area and the Skate Park for litter picking weekly by volunteers, also Derek still emptying bin when required. Due to complaints Highways cut back foliage by Whitcombe Orchard and I also visited resident of Tenbury road



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regarding overgrown trees and flooding concerns.

Manor House is on track with roof almost complete. Still weekly discussions with owner.

Signed confirmation of instructions from MFG to continue with Skate park and Play area acquisition.

Attended Appeal hearing for Steeple close planning application, with Cllr Hainsworth as instructed by the Parish Council.

## ➤ Highways/ Streetlights Issues

Notified Insurers regarding Mawley Bus shelter and preferred contractor. Revised settlement offer received of £2,250. Quote to rebuild was £4,250. Last offer was £750.

Cracked streetlight column in Hurst to be replaced.

Zebra crossing to be repainted urgently. In hands of Highways.

## ➤ Cemetery/ Church gardens

Volunteers still doing a lot of hard work in the Cemetery keeping it tidy and have received no complaints this year only good comments received. This is largely down to volunteer Mr John Davies who works hard to keep tidy and cutting unkempt graves, which cost us a few hundred pounds last year.

New mower now bought and will be used to assist to keep tidy especially graves we agreed to look after.

Card of Thanks from Mrs Smith has been received for help with grave.

## ➤ Police/ Crime / Parking Enforcement

Visit to look at Highley CCTV system cancelled, new visit to be arranged.

Had a very productive meeting 4<sup>th</sup> June at Telford police station, with Mike Simpson, project manager of We Don't Buy Crime, Chief Inspector Tom Hardy and Gary from Smartwater to discuss extra funding and working together for Cleobury to become a Smartwater and We Don't Buy Crime Town.

Talked to SSHG Adam Burge and they are keen to offer support.

Have also now met with Vicky Turner, from Shropshire Council and we are working to get all funding in place so that all residents will be able to get a free Smartwater pack. Proposed roll out over two phases in August. Business can get at a reduced cost.

A big deal for Cleobury Mortimer with signs in every road and it will be a first. Shropshire Star and BBC Countryfile are interested in covering.

Crime group next meeting Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August, also CCTV will be discussed and spending of £11,000 grant.

Next Parking meeting to be arranged.

## Correspondence / Dates to note

➤ **Thursday 6th August Crime Reduction Group meeting.**

➤ **Letter received Mr B Smith regarding Dog signs on Playing field.**

➤ **Pensions training 3<sup>rd</sup> August. (Our next Council meeting night.)**

➤ **Southern Planning Committee meeting 14<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2pm Shirehall.** Regarding planning application 15/01976/FUL / LBC for rear of 4 Church Street, with a site visit 13<sup>th</sup> July 10.50am.

➤ **Cleobury Youth partnership next meeting 14<sup>th</sup> September. 13<sup>th</sup> July meeting cancelled.**

## Planning received after Agenda

Reference: 15/02714/TCA (validated: 22/06/2015)

Address: Vine House, 40 High Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8DQ

Proposal: To fell 1 Beech tree, 1 Silver Birch and 1 Norway Spruce within the Cleobury Mortimer Conservation Area

Applicant: Mr Richard Butler

### **0.07.5 Councillor's reports and items for future agendas**

Cllr Kirkby reported that the grass is not being cut again in Ronhill. Clerk to contact Highways.

Cllr Reiner reported Pot holes in New Road and the Hurst.

Cllr Brown notified the council that the next LJC meeting is at the Market Hall Cleobury Mortimer 28<sup>th</sup> July 7pm and as many councillors and residents should attend as Cox's Homes are invited to attend.

### **0.07.6 Unitary Report (Cllr G Butler / Cllr M Shineton)**

Cllr Shineton reported the following.

The Steeple Close planning appeal went forward and the applicant did not want to pay the Community Infrastructure Levy, which assists other social developments like Kinlet, therefore Shropshire Council needed to act.



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Still problems with the Bus service and the travel commissioner. Worcestershire Council put it out to tender again and Diamond have appeared to win it again. Have contacted MP Philip Dunne and councils on the route so a letter from the Parish Council to the Travel Commissioner would help.

£10,000 is paid by Worcestershire and £40,000 by Shropshire council making £50,000 subsidy for the service.

Attended meetings in London lobbying for Town and Parish councils.

SALC meeting in September with Shropshire councillors so if any points need raising to let her know.

Rural services network meeting in London to get better funding. We get two thirds of what Telford and Wrekin receive.

Worried about provision of mental health so doing work on that at the moment.

Have a report from 2011 on parking so will provide a copy.

Cllr Hainsworth raised the issue of Cllr Shinetons thought that Cleobury still has 80 homes from the SAMDev allocation until 2026.

Cllr Brown pointed out that if you keep allowing planning applications then where do you stop with no clear indication of ones built and some agreed still to build.

The Clerk explained that the report in 2011 showed that of the 350 agreed from 2006 to 2026

A discussion followed and the Clerk will endeavour to get correct figures from Shropshire Council.

At this point the Chairman went back to item **0.07.5 Councillor's reports and items for future agendas** to report on the meeting with Tina Brooks concerning the Bovis development.

An email received from Tina said that following a meeting with Graham French from Shropshire Council, things mentioned at the meeting were left out in his reply and asked if anything else we could do to help.

Graham said at the meeting that what had happened would not happen today.

Our advice was that their properties would be devalued and should consider legal advice for compensation.

**8.05pm RESOLVED to Suspend Standing Orders.**

Julie Mayall was at the meeting with Tina and Graham and confirmed he did say it was a bad planning decision but did not put that in his letter. We may not be able to do anything but if we can help others now with what we have experienced and the overlooking.

We did object to the plans but if it had not gone ahead and went to appeal and overturned, then Shropshire Council would have been fined. They could not dig down due to contaminate.

The Chairman explained that the Parish Council are consulted for an opinion but cannot make any decision.

Julie said they are now talking about planting trees and unless we want to pursue legally, there is not a lot to do.

Cllr Hainsworth suggested something be put on record.

**8.10pm RESOLVED to Re Instate Standing Orders.**

**RESOLVED** to put a letter statement together to Tina Brooks to confirm support from the Parish Council.

## **0.07.7 Planning applications:**

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

Reference: 15/02319/COU (validated: 28/05/2015)

Address: The Old Wheelhouse , 22 Eagle Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 8DF

Proposal: Change of use from residential (C3) to office (A2)

Applicant: Mrs Jenny Underhill

**RESOLVED No Objection**

### **b) Planning Reference:**

Reference: 15/01919/FUL (validated: 02/06/2015)

Address: Land To The Rear Of 41 , Furlongs Road, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 8AR

Proposal: Erection of residential development 12No dwellings, garages and roads design

Applicant: Percy Cox Properties Ltd

Cllr Davies .There was a discussion with the following points raised.

No recreation area there as in other estates in Cleobury.

Children use furlongs road to walk to school and more traffic would make it dangerous. Not roads more lanes.

Cllr Kirkby. Major question looking at the parking issue in Cleobury and a computer model may work but if included cars parked on the pavements it would be a non starter.

Cllr Brown. It appears to be a Tandem development. No provision for affordable housing. New road is already dangerous and compounded if Box factory development goes ahead.



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Access is an issue, especially if cars park on pavement. Cannot say back entrance for pub will not be used. Cllr Davies commented on sewage capacity for Cleobury.

Cllr Thorogood read out objection letter from Mr & Mrs Wood.

**8.30pm Cllrs Kirkby, Davies and Brown left the room.**

After a brief discussion the Council **RESOLVED to OBJECT** to the planning application on the points stated by councillors and residents concerns. A response to be put together using policy by the Clerk and RFO, to be checked by councillors and submitted.

**8.35pm Cllrs Kirkby, Davies and Brown re joined the meeting.**

Councillors who left the room were updated with the decision and a question was asked about CIL if went ahead.

**8.40pm RESOLVED to let Cllr Shingleton speak.**

Cllr Shingleton confirmed that if the development went ahead then they would have to pay the affordable housing CIL.

**8.43pm RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders.**

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

1. Reference: 14/04145/LBC (validated: 02/10/2014)  
Address: Royal Fountain Inn, 13 Church Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 8BS  
Proposal: Works to facilitate the erection of first floor extension; formation of balcony and installation of fire escape  
Decision: **Grant Permission**
2. Reference: 14/04144/FUL (validated: 02/10/2014)  
Address: Royal Fountain Inn, 13 Church Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster , DY14 8BS  
Proposal: Erection of first floor extension; formation of balcony and installation of fire escape  
Decision: **Grant Permission**
3. Reference: 14/01008/FUL (validated: 06/03/2014)  
Address: Residential Development Land Adjacent Sunnyways, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire  
Proposal: Erection of 3 no. detached dwellings and associated garages  
Decision: **Grant Permission**
4. 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**

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

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

Shropshire Council - Wages

Cheques for payment –

West Mercia Energy £111.45 – Electricity supply for toilets

Cllr T Kirkby £25.60 – Training Meeting (Mileage)

M Sheehan £ 33.20 – (Mileage)

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

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

**None to report.**

**8.45pm Cllr Davies left the room for the next item.**

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

Cleobury Bus service enquiry

Cllr Brown raised the following points.

It helps a lot of people go to town to shop for clothes and other items not found in Cleobury, also with the bank open less frequent it can help with that.

**RESOLVED** to agree to the £500 requested.

Scouts/Pump House – funding request

Agreed to look at once outstanding Capital receipt funding is completed.



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Borders Classic Bike show enquiry

To purchase new signs for the bike show had quotes of £199 and £86.

It was noted that the show brings in a lot of people every year and getting very popular.

**RESOLVED** to agree to the application up to the highest quote of £199 subject to receiving accounts.

Capital Receipt

Patients Voice – equipment for Medical Centre

**RESOLVED** to look at for Capital Receipt funding.

Cleobury Town Juniors – football goal Posts for Playing Field

This was discussed with it noted that the present goal posts are in need of replacing to a really good set of removable ones. **RESOLVED** to submit an application for Capital funding.

Lacon Childe – fitness/dance suite

Waiting for more information.

Cleobury Crime Group – £5,000 Smartwater & we don't buy Crime town enquiry

The Clerk updated the Council of the meeting with Chief Inspector Tom Hardy in Telford and the Crime Reduction Group were applying for funding, to give every household in Cleobury a free Smartwater pack. So far have £1,600 from Crime Commissioner, applying for £5,000 to South Shropshire Housing Group and will be applying to Community fund of £5,000 from the Parish Council. The Police will either be providing all the signs for roads or money, to be confirmed. It was asked that the Council can consider to provisionally agreeing supporting the grant of £5,000.

It will be rolled out in August and September with Police cadets, the Police, Smartwater and volunteers from Cleobury to visit every household. A big deal for Cleobury to become a first at a Smartwater and We Don't Buy Crime town. Next Crime meeting set for 6<sup>th</sup> August and 19<sup>th</sup> August is next SSHG panel meeting for funding.

**RESOLVED** to provisionally support the application of £5,000 from community funding.

Updates

Youth Forum – revised figures for activities

Thanks from CYP for Skate Park repairs.

## **0.07.09 Recycling Banks at Lacon Childe Update– Cllr Brown, RFO**

Cllr Brown confirmed that she, Cllr French and Dorothy McBride attended a meeting at the school with Shropshire Council, Veolia, Cllr Butler and Andy Goold(Sports & Social club).

Discussions were positive with talks of removing some of the pods not needed, but keeping ones for cardboard and tetra packs. There is an issue of businesses using the bottle banks. The first emails sent around were inflammatory and confusing and could have been done better. Veolia confirmed that none can be moved to the other car parks. Waiting now for Lacon to come back with contribution costs for them to remain on the car park location.

## **0.07.10 Proposed removal of footpath Lacon / Playing Field Update – Cllr Brown, RFO**

Cllr Brown confirmed that this was the second part of the meeting with implications for all of us, but there are safeguarding issues regarding the pupils.

After looking at a map of the proposals it was **RESOLVED** to support the proposed changes to footpaths in principal due to safeguarding issues, with Lacon dealing with the application and consideration of the changes to the new proposed entrance of the area across the field into the Skate park area being made with a proper footpath to the existing footpath being constructed by the applicant, Lacon Childe.

## **0.07.11 Playing Field – car boot report, maintenance issues play park – Cllr Martin**

The Chairman confirmed that himself, Cllrs Hainsworth, Kirkby, Martin and the Clerk were there to facilitate and if the weather had been better it may have attracted more interest. It was suggested to have when the Farmers Market was on. Also to get proper banners for the main road.

**RESOLVED** to buy banners up to the value of £50.

## **0.07.12 Permission for Food and Ale Trail posters – Clerk**

**RESOLVED** to give permission subject to same conditions as Shropshire Councils policy. Also to communicate that it has been noticed that the Parish Council has not been put on posters as a contributor of a grant for event.

## **0.07.13 Place Plan Review Update – RFO**

Dorothy McBride confirmed that she had pointed out errors to Shropshire Council and offered more up to date comments.

Clerk confirmed a very good report was submitted by the RFO.



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

*Next P.C. meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug 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.

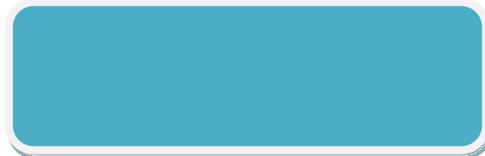
**0.07.15 Parish Hall Update –Clerk**

**Meeting Closed to the public and press at 9.10pm**

**Cheques written:**

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**Signed: Chairman**



**Date 3<sup>rd</sup> AUGUST 2015**