



CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7th SEPTEMBER 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 J Martin, Cllr B Davies, Cllr P French.

Clerk: M Sheehan

RFO: Dorothy McBride

Public: 3

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the September meeting and proceeded to the first item and asked if anyone wished to speak.

0.09.0 Democratic 15 minute Public Time

No one wished to speak.

0.09.1 Apologies for absence

None

**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.

0.09.3 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 3rd AUGUST 2015

It was noted that Cllrs Brown and Davies were listed as being at the meeting and were not and Cllr Martin had been missed from the list.

RESOLVED to approve the minutes, with the agreed alterations, which were duly signed by the Chairman.

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0.09.4 Matters arising from the minutes

Clerks Report up to date distributed at meeting

Clerks Report for September meeting 2015

➤ **General items**

Giving assistance and advice to residents on planning regarding Cox's development.

Attended SSHG panel meeting at Craven Arms, secured grant for Smartwater.

Met with family over concerns of family grave affected by neighbouring un kempt grave, contacted family and rectified issue with help from Mr Davies. Both sides are happy.

Tuffins to start work in October with new crossing to be sited as part of development, continue to chase.

Met with Lesley Lloyd to finalise Historic Core project issues 6th August and requested tools for drain.

Attended meeting with Cllr French and Turnock ref Christmas lights. Agenda item.

Still no phone in office with Dorothy McBride constantly on at BT. Using mobile when necessary and Market Hall office phone.

No longer have John Davies as volunteer. Another person may be available, to confirm but trying to get John back for a further 26 weeks if possible.

Met with Matt Hayes Lacon to discuss removal of footpath and raised items not thought of.

Lady reported hitting her head on Talbot car park sign, reported issue and it has now been moved.

Army recruitment team had a good couple of hours outside the Market Hall. Plan to come again.

Refitted pulled out post in Play Area and attended to damaged equipment.

Reported damaged access panel to Gas tank on playing field, now rectified.

➤ **Highways/ Streetlights Issues**

Sent email to Robinsons of Worcester to complain about pink lorries speed through Cleobury Mortimer.

Sent email to Midland Quarries to ask for assistance with lorries visiting Clee Hill and speeding.

Cracked streetlight column now replaced in the Hurst by Western Power and Prysmian. Met both on site to ensure smooth operation. Residents very happy.



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Met with Glyn Shaw and Cllrs Kirkby and Martin regarding Highway issues. Agenda item.
Abandoned car reported in new car park so sent photos to Shropshire Council and now resolved.
Reported concerns to Street Scene about Bin location at Whitcombs orchard causing a blind spot, replied not an issue.
Have put through a request to Highways for the Zebra crossing to be upgraded to a Puffin crossing.
Chasing work to be done on dangerous corner past Blount after further accidents.

➤ Police/ Crime / Parking Enforcement

Sent out Press release for Cleobury becoming a We Don't Buy Crime town.
Had meeting at Bridgnorth Police station taking 2 residents regarding We Don't Buy Crime, positive meeting.
Next Crime group meeting Thursday 24th September 7pm. Meeting on 3rd September went well. Ordered 1,000 packs of Smartwater for first phase. Smartwater changed price but with Police help we got the price back down. Now actively looking for volunteers.
Targeting Play area and the Skate Park due to vandalism with fires. Daily checks. Also fire at residents in Langland road, visited and discussed issue. Names passed on to police.
Requested information from Shropshire Council about taking over the existing CCTV in conjunction with new ones.
More complaints about parking Vaughan Road and dropped kerbs. Agenda item.
New toilets vandalised again with Gents and camera damaged.

Correspondence / Dates to note

- **Thursday 24th September Crime Reduction Group meeting, 7pm Market Hall.**
- **Pensions Awareness training 15th September 2015 5.30pm – 7.30pm Shrewsbury.**
- **Cleobury Youth partnership next meeting 14th September.**
- **Public speaking training Friday 18th September at Telford.**
- **Severn Trent organised a drop in at Market Hall 9th September 4pm to 7pm re works.**
- **Training 25th September Clerks Training Day Managing Events.**

0.09.5 Councillor's reports and items for future agendas

Cllr Kirkby reported that the rolling play equipment in the play area was continually and deliberately being broken and proposed it be taken away.

RESOLVED to remove the rolling drum.

The issue of speeding cars past the pioneer centre was a danger to joggers and walkers.

As it was in Neen Savage agreed to notify their Clerk of concerns.

Cllr Hainsworth raised the issue of the problem the Market Hall have with BT and the office phone and perhaps sending a solicitors letter.

Cllr Reiner confirmed the Hurst had been re surfaced and was thankful but reported pot holes and dips in New Road. Clerk to report.

Cllr Davies raised concerns over children's safety walking to school.

Cllr Kirkby also had concerns and suggested talking to the school.

Agreed Cllrs Kirkby and Davies to meet with school and discuss with Glyn Shaw SC Highways. Clerk to arrange.

0.09.6 Unitary Report (Cllr G Butler / Cllr M Shineton)

Cllr Butler informed the council that there is an online consultation led by Cleobury Country about the library on line until 14th October, looking at a reduction of 1 hour a week.

Secondly Berkshire and Surrey council won against the Government with help from Shropshire and can enforce affordable payment for houses. The government will appeal but good news for now.

Cllr Shineton confirmed that the primary school had already done some work concerning the parking. Housing and funding going to conference on Wednesday. Still lobbying for fairer funding for rural communities and any special points to email her.

0.09.7 Planning applications:

a) Planning Reference:



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Reference: 15/03320/TCA (validated: 17/08/2015)

Address: Hill House, 2 Castle Hill, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8DA

Proposal: To fell 2 x Cheam Lawsoniana trees and 2 x fir trees within Cleobury Mortimer Conservation Area

Applicant: Mr Tim Elcock

RESOLVED no objection.

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

Reference: 15/02626/MAW (validated: 16/06/2015)

Address: Land At Withypool Farm , Hollywaste, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 0DB

Proposal: Installation of a 800kW Agricultural Anaerobic Digester Plant

Decision: **Grant Permission**

0.09.8 Finance: – RFO D McBride

a)Account to be paid:

Shropshire Council - Wages

Cheques for payment –

Market Hall £132 – Phone connection

Phillips & Curry £1037.45 – Historic Core final payment

M Sheehan £83.06 – Website and mileage

Shropshire Council £9.60 – Office Rates

R Price £704 – Grass cutting & Play Area repairs

Mazzars £480 – External Audit

Lesley Lloyd £75 – Architects fee Historic Core

Viking Direct £127.79 Toilets and office supplies

Morris Bufton & Co Ltd £405 – Cemetery mower.

b)Payments Received:

£ 950 – Cemetery fees

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

c)Grant Applications S137

St Marys Youth Project £2,000

As no accounts received to be deferred to October meeting

d) Capital Receipt

Clee Hill Homing Society - £1,800

RESOLVED to agree funding.

Parish Council - £4,000 – Cemetery computer system

RESOLVED to agree funding.

Parish Council - £7,500 – Towns Christmas Lights

Deferred until later in meeting agenda item.

Pump House - £700

19.35pm RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders.

Ingrid Purslow explained that the Parish Council had kindly given a grant for the new kitchen and did not use all the funds. Part of the problem with the kitchen was the drain and pipe allowing water to settle outside and affect the plaster and walls causing the damage to the kitchen. It was needed now to rectify the drainage outside and already obtained 2 quotes.

19.38pm RESOLVED to re instate Standing Orders.

After some discussion it was **RESOLVED** not to agree funding from Capital receipt but to return the money not used and re submit as a Section 137 funding as it was for repairs and maintenance. October Agenda under s137 grants.

Goal Posts - £750

Cllr Martin was still waiting for information. Next agenda.

0.09.09 Parking Issues Vaughan Road, Lea View – Cllr Kirkby



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Cllr Kirkby informed the council that a meeting had taken place with Glyn Shaw Shropshire Council, Cllrs Martin, French and the Clerk and had submitted proposals for double yellow lines in Vaughan road and Lea view.

RESOLVED to accept the proposals of parking restrictions on Vaughan Road and Lea View.

0.09.10 Newsletter – Cllr Martin

Cllr Martin showed the councillors the draft Newsletter for approval.

RESOLVED to send for print. The Chairman thanked Cllr Martin for his efforts.

0.09.11 High Street speeding concerns – Cllr Thorogood

Cllr Hayward viewed concerns that the crossing may not cure speeding and to make representation to Safety partnership for a camera.

19.50pm RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders

Cllr Shingleton explained that with the other crossing at Tuffins planned and the traffic lights at Catherton, perhaps someone needs to look at all of these together.

Cllr Kirkby explained that this needed to be discussed with Glyn Shaw from Highways and there is a need to stagger flow in the High Street and with other crossing there will be a backlog and less speed.

19.53pm RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders.

After a short discussion it was agreed to discuss both crossings with Glyn Shaw and contact Safety Camera partnership for more information.

0.09.12 Quality Council – Cllr Martin

Cllr Martin had looked into this and had two proposals.

1/ Register interest with NALC (National Association of Local Councils) for the 2nd tier silver status at a cost of £50.

RESOLVED and agreed to register the interest.

Secondly to Publish on website by Cllr Brown and Cllr Martin.

RESOLVED.

0.09.13 Christmas Lights update – Cllr French

Christmas trees locations.

Cllr French explained that there had been a meeting of the working group of Cllrs, Thorogood, Brown, Clerk, RFO and himself to identify what needs to be done.

As a result he had been able to obtain two quotes so far and trying to get a third.

It was identified to have two trees, one outside Carrot Tops as usual and another one outside the Church, more lights helping to identify the Market Hall more with lights outside and something inside the entrance.

Third element is the High street and the lime trees, but now in September and running late.

A bid has been prepared with object aims to encourage the community, schools, scouts, guides decorating the Christmas trees. The first quote is £7,500.

The second quote come in at £3,137 but there is no contingency with this.

Cllr French proposed a maximum of up to £7,500 for all the Christmas lights but may not reach that amount, which would open up the Christmas lights to everyone in the community and all who would visit. It would be a good beneficial way forward.

Cllr Davies raised concerns over the costs.

RESOLVED to agree to the capital grant of up to £7,500.

It was then asked to agree the location of the tree outside the church.

The Clerk had discussed this with Rev Ashley Buck and the best place for security and display was inside the memorial gardens by the flag pole.

RESOLVED to locate inside the memorial gardens.

0.09.14 Annual Crime Commissioner Survey - Cllr Martin

RESOLVED that councillors Martin, Brown and Hainsworth to complete the survey and return.

0.09.15 Playing Field Security gate – Cllr Martin, Clerk

Cllr Martin explained that the gate onto the playing field was broken, rusting and dangerous. He and the Clerk both agreed it needed replacing and had obtained two quotes. One for a wooden replacement at a cost of £420 and one for a metal replacement at a cost of £255 plus vat.

RESOLVED to replace under emergency powers and that it is the metal gate.

0.09.16 Confirm date of the next Parish Council meeting

Next P.C. meeting 5th OCTOBER 2015



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

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.

0.09.17 Parish Hall Update – Clerk

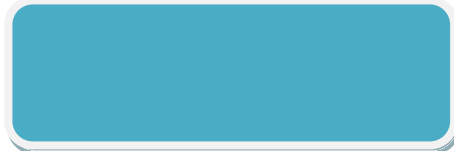
0.09.18 Employees – Cllr Thorogood, Clerk

Meeting Closed to the public and press at 8.30pm

Cheques written:

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Signed: Chairman



Date 5 / 10 / 2015