



CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th OCTOBER 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, Cllr P French.

Clerk: M Sheehan

RFO: Dorothy McBride

Public: 7

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the November meeting and proceeded to the first item and asked if anyone wished to speak for the democratic public time.

0.10.0 Democratic 15 minute Public Time

Mr Davis Fulford of Lower Street wished to speak on a letter of complaint about the Old Lion, which he sent to the Parish Council, concerning anti social behaviour, late drinking, noise, litter and gaining rear access late at night over resident's gardens.

The Clerk confirmed that the Police and Licensing officer had been made fully aware of the situation and a visit was planned by the Police.

It was agreed that a meeting should be set up with councillors, residents and the Landlord to address grievances. Clerk to keep Mr Fulford updated.

0.10.1 Apologies for absence

Cllr J Martin Reason; University.

Resolved accept the apology.

0.10.2 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 D Brown 0.10.7 Planning applications: b) Reference: 15/01919/FUL

Cllr B Davies 0.10.7 Planning applications: b) Reference: 15/01919/FUL

At this point the Chairman proposed moving item **0.10.10 Christmas Lights update – Cllr French** before item **0.10.3. RESOLVED.**

0.10.10 Christmas Lights update – Cllr French

Cllr French explained that an order for Christmas lights had been placed to Blanchere for Market Hall, Christmas trees and Main street trees. Also from meeting with the senior street light technician, had confirmed four streetlight connections and also established 2 locations for us to locate connections on buildings with our electrician to locate.

After many calls and recommendations Cllr French has had a few meetings involving the clerk and RFO he introduced Colin Kelleher Director of CMK Electrical services.

7.17 pm RESOLVED to Suspend Standing Orders.

Mr Kelleher explained that after checking our wiring it was considered dangerous and pointed out several examples, with explanations of how to rectify the issues. He also showed the difference between the old lighting on the displays and a new display as some of ours were failing. The following points were raised.

The LED lights would only use a third of the power and mentioned the Surveyors street Charter about using volunteers.

The Circuit boards we have need re wiring and LCD protectors fitted.

If he is used with volunteers to put up lights we will be covered by their Insurance.

24 hour cover except Christmas day for problems.

Old bulb lights are too expensive, need to move to LED lights.

Cllr French confirmed that he was making enquiries about string lights.

The Chairman thanked Colin for his time and the information.

7.32pm RESOLVED to Re Instate Standing Orders.

It was agreed that while CMK pack up and leave, item **0.10.3** could be done next then return to discuss item **0.10.10. RESOLVED.**



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0.10.3 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 7th September 2015

RESOLVED to approve the minutes, and duly signed by the Chairman.

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0.10.10 Christmas Lights update – Cllr French

Cllr French went through the Quotation of work received which was talked through and the Council

RESOLVED that the following five items could go ahead due to time and Health and Safety concerns.

Item 2 was to repair and PAT test the damaged lighting.

Item 3 to rebuild the electrical supply to the Christmas tree by Carrot Tops.

Item 4 to re build the minimum meter boards with RCD protection.

Item 5 RCD supply and connection to the Market Hall for new displays.

Item 6 to assist volunteers, 24 hour callout including CMK Insurance cover.

The following was agreed to look at further.

Item 1 to repair and re-rope displays was to be looked at by Cllr Thorogood and Cllr French due to concerns over costs and brought back to the Parish Council on the November agenda.

0.10.4 Matters arising from the minutes

Clerks Report up to date distributed at meeting

General items

Looked further on planning regarding Cox's development and recent changes. Agenda item
Attended Tribunal case in Birmingham with witnesses regarding Parish Hall. Agenda item.
Attended meeting with Cllr French and CMK electrical ref Xmas lights. Also Richard from Shropshire Council regarding connections in Street lights. Agenda item.

Still no phone in connection in the council office and continuing to use personal mobile.

Attended Pensions training with Cllr Brown 15th and Event training 25th. Events training proved very useful.

Nominated for Award at West Mercia Awards evening 22nd October. Cleobury and groups highlighted.

Obtained Grit Bin to be sited in Cemetery at no cost to council.

Parish Council awarded NALC council of the week and reported on the Clarion front page.

Highways/ Streetlights Issues

Met with Phil James regarding Highway issues and proposals for funding. Agenda item.

Chased request to Highways for the Zebra crossing to be upgraded to a Puffin crossing and crossing at Tuffins.

Reported streetlights for repair as they are reported to me or I notice.

Police/ Crime / Parking Enforcement

Received 1,000 packs of Smartwater for first phase and received a timetable for handing out. Now actively looking for more volunteers. Also put together Street and house list. Agenda item.

Held meeting with Crime Reduction Group with good turnout at both meetings with interest to join still growing.

Targeting Play area and the Skate Park due to vandalism. Drum has been removed and also other damaged items repaired.

Still waiting for information from Shropshire Council about taking over the existing CCTV in conjunction with new ones. Confirmed with Crime Commissioners office we have time to spend grant sensibly.

Informed Highways of Parish Councils support for parking restrictions in Vaughan Road and Lea View.

New toilets vandalised again with camera damaged so had it removed.

Bad car parking reported with photos which were sent to parking and police. Offender had a visit from police.

Parking enforcement have visited after contacting them, pushing for more regular visits.

Gate to playing field opened and damage to field by 4 x 4 vehicle. Secured gate with chain and lock supplied by Andy Goold from Social Club and chased replacement new gate to be fitted.

Correspondence / Dates to note

➤ **Monday 12th October Volunteers for Smartwater, distribution training 6pm Market Hall.**

➤ **Remembrance Day parade and service 10.15am 8th November Talbot car park.**

➤ **The formal launch for Smartwater will be on 22nd October, all to meet at 10am in Cleobury.**

➤ **CCTV visit to Bridgnorth week commencing 9th November, day and time to confirm.**

➤ **Need to arrange Finance meeting with RFO.**

➤ **Training Budgets and Precept Setting –12th October 2015, 5.30pm – 7.30pm at Shrewsbury**

0.10.5 Councillor's reports and items for future agendas



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Cllr Kirkby had a resident raise concerns over the width of the pavement by the Catholic Church and the speed of vehicles. Clerk noted.

Cllr Reined commented on the grass verge on Ronhill not cut properly again. Clerk noted.

Cllr Davies raised an issue of the disabled spaces needed marking. Clerk to chase with Highways again.

Cllr French reported that 2 of the newly planted trees in the cemetery had died. Will look at options for replacing.

0.10.6 Unitary Report (Cllr G Butler / Cllr M Shingleton)

Cllr Shingleton reported on

Future Fit meetings Thursdays 9.30am Severn Centre Highley.

Jacobs ladder subsidence issue not responsibility of Shropshire Council and is a civil matter. This caused a brief discussion as Cllr Davies confirmed the cliffs are eroding.

Councillor Butler reported on

Planning incoming being twice over target and its impact on the time planning applications are taking.

Shropshire Councils stance on putting together a cross party committee to deal with international refugees in Shropshire.

The up and coming government spending review due in the late autumn and its impact in further cuts and the consultation around cuts and council tax .

SC that's put together a cross party group to help look at constitutions of Town and Parish councils due to the increase in requested changes and their changing role .Cllr Butler will be sitting on that committee.

A reminder regarding winter preparation for the community.

0.10.7 Planning applications:

a) Planning Reference:

Reference: 15/03514/FUL (validated: 13/08/2015)

Address: 71 Betjeman Way, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 8BB

Proposal: Erection of a conservatory to the rear of the property

Applicant: Mr & Mrs K Blackburn

Already received decision so cannot discuss.

b) Planning Reference:

Reference: 15/01919/FUL (validated: 13/08/2015)

Address: Land to the rear of 41 Furlongs Road, Cleobury Mortimer DY14 8AR

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

Applicant: Percy Cox Properties Ltd

The Clerk explained that he had checked the changes and they were not fundamental changes The pedestrian linkage was only a suggestion. Refuse collection with kerb changes again was not a fundamental change and the Internal parking and traffic issue was still an issue. Points raised by Councillors were. Fire Access report was needed, Large houses cramped into a small space and New Road an issue with cars, let alone site traffic and large vehicles.

RESOLVED to Object again raising all the issues again as before and explaining that fundamental changes were not made.

c) Planning Reference:

Reference: 15/03835/FUL (validated: 22/09/2015)

Address: 6 Lion Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 8QD

Proposal: Erection of a two storey rear extension following demolition of existing single storey extension

Applicant: Mr Robert Cooper

RESOLVED no objection.

d) Planning Reference:

Reference: 15/03983/FUL (validated: 14/09/2015)

Address: 3 Furlongs Close, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8AS

Proposal: Erection of a single storey extension to front



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Applicant: Mr Ken Field

RESOLVED no objection

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

Reference: 15/01976/FUL (validated: 22/05/2015)

Address: Proposed Dwelling Rear Of 4, Church Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire

Proposal: Conversion of redundant Pharmacy Store once associated with a former Pharmacy from Use Class A1 to Use Class C3 Dwelling house

Decision: Grant Permission

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

Decision: No Objection

0.10.8 Finance: – RFO D McBride

a) Account to be paid:

Shropshire Council - Wages

Cheques for payment –

Smartwater £9,888 – Crime Reduction Group.

Blanchere £3,259.02 – Christmas lights

M Sheehan £72.80 – Mileage -Training, meetings.

Patients Voice £1,624.98 – Capital receipt

Miss BA Richards £68.19 – Refreshments

R Price £704 – Grass cutting & repairs Play Area

Lacon Childe PTA £80 – Bike Show signage

S.A.L.C £20 – Clerk Events Training.

Market Hall £40 – Crime Group and Christmas meetings.

Clee Hill Homing Society £900 – 50% of agreed sum.

The RFO made the Parish Council aware of additions, mistakes as follows.

R&B Bus Travel £200

Shropshire Council £84 – ROSPA Report

M Sheehan £60.80 not £72.80

Patients Voice £1,560 not £1,624.98

SALC should be SLCC

Blanchere £3,259.02 – Christmas lights (Not to pay yet, when received).

b) Payments Received:

£703.22 Pump House

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

C) Grant Applications S137

St Marys Youth Project £2,000

The RFO explained it was part of an overall total of £6,102 with funding from Crime Commissioner and others.

RESOLVED to agree the grant of £2,000.

d) Capital Receipt

Agreed finance meeting for Thursday 10th October 10am in the Market Hall

**e) Approve External Auditors report and note conclusion of Audit for Year End
31/03/2015**

RESOLVED to approve External auditors report.

0.10.09 Remembrance Parade Wreath – Cllr Thorogood

Agree donation for Wreath and appoint Councillor to lay wreath.

Chairman suggested Cllr Davies but declined due to ill health. **RESOLVED** that Cllr Thorogood lay the wreath and donation same as previous year £50.

0.10.10 Christmas Lights update – Cllr French

Already discussed earlier.



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0.10.11 Crime Group Update – Clerk

Cllr Brown asked that the Clerk, who is also Chairman of Crime Group explain where we are. The Crime group are now going to the next stage working with the police to distribute the Smartwater and have ordered the first 1,000 packs with 1400 homes to deliver to and explain how to use. There will be a meeting on Monday 12th October in the Market hall at 6pm for training to distribute the packs and all volunteers and police will be there so need as many councillors as possible. There will be a lot of hours to work 7 days a week including evenings with a Launch day of Thursday 22nd October 10am at the Market Hall to be attended by press and media. The Police have promised a big presence with officers and cadets flooding Cleobury Mortimer. Signs will also be put up all around Cleobury.

It is a very big deal for the Parish Council, Crime Reduction group and Cleobury Mortimer as a town. CCTV was next item to be looked at starting with a visit to see the system at Bridgnorth. Clerk to arrange.

0.10.12 Maintenance - Grounds person / Grass cutting – Cllr Brown, Clerk

The Clerk confirmed that if we were to take on a Maintenance-Grounds person then Shropshire Council would pay the hourly wages for our person to do jobs around Cleobury like Gritting the pavements, grass cutting. This would ensure that we get jobs done straight away while also getting back some of our council tax for the community. Would also talk with street scene about litter picking and invoicing them too. We could also look at subsidising their wages by taking on some of the work we put out to contractors. We will also be getting a maintenance grant when the Skate Park is taken on and we need to be ready especially with more cuts. It would also help by giving some cover if Derek is away, with maintenance of the new toilets.

RESOLVED to go on suppliers list.

Agreed to look at funding costs by Cllr Brown and RFO and report back to Council for final costing and a decision to take someone on up to 2-3 days a week working as required.

0.10.13 Confirm date of the next Parish Council meeting

Next P.C. meeting 2nd NOVEMBER 2015

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.

0.10.14 Parish Hall Update – Clerk

Meeting Closed to the public and press at 8.40pm

Cheques written:

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Signed: Chairman



Date: 2/ 11/ 2015