



CLEOBURY MORTIMER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4th JULY 2016 at 7pm in the Market Hall, Cleobury Mortimer.

Present:

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

Unitary Cllr Madge Shingleton

Clerk: Mr M Sheehan

RFO: Mrs D McBride

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The Chairman welcomed everyone to the July meeting

07.0.16 Democratic 15-minute Public Time

This provides an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions about and comment on items on the agenda. Time for this session is limited to 15 minutes (3 minutes per person).

Val Simpson discussed the application from Cleobury Patients voice. There is a buffer between the Medical Centre and the Patients voice to communicate back. All voluntary and holding funding events, raising £600 this year and is independent of the Medical Centre. There is a need for own website with cost of £234 regular hosting fee, so need help to fund, but still holding events like tea parties to raise funds.

07.1.16 Apologies for absence

Cllr J Martin Reason - Working

Cllr P French Reason – Will arrive late due to another appointment.

Resolved to accept the apologies.

07.2.16 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.

07.3.16 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 4th JULY 2016

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

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07.4.16 Matters arising from the minutes

Clerk's Report distributed at meeting and went through.

Clerk's Report for July 2016 meeting

➤ General items

Goal area in hand to have turfed, arranged by the football club at a cost of £200.

Working with South Shropshire Housing Association regarding the Primary School parking issue, Agenda item.

Working on Draft Employee Handbook as agreed at last meeting.

In touch with Mark Blount about other play areas and we have re confirmed the Parish Councils decision as Freehold only.

Cemetery bays tidied up and soil removed. Replaced broken posts.

Arranged meeting with Gravedigger to sort out excess soil from graves, Sue Evans has agreed to take soil.



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Received complaints of Churchyard grass edges. Confirmed Spraying of edges by our contractor was done who is addressing the issue.

Booked regular meetings with Matt Hayes from Lacon to enhance partnership working.

Received request to link a Skate park video to our website. August Agenda item.

Star Councils awards nominations for this year need to be in by 31st July.

Lime Tree pleaching contribution from Shropshire Council will decrease to £500 from next year.

Pensions Regulator letter received for Council to action.

Scaffolding erected in Cemetery, draft letter to residents to be agreed by council before sending.

Letter Received Mr Ben Jones regarding Parking concerns Vaughan Road area.

➤ Highways/ Streetlights Issues

Meeting held with Phil James and he has sent a strongly worded email regarding the cleaning of the drains. Also he has a list of other items of concern, i.e. dropped Kerb opposite the Library.

Spoken to Richard Clemson at Shropshire Council for update on replacement street light project. Road permits required and work should be completed July.

All information passed and contacts passed to Cllr Hainsworth.

➤ Police/ Crime / Parking Enforcement

A girl was going around pretending to be deaf and dumb knocking on doors asking for sponsorship.

Reported to police with a CCTV photo.

Anti-social behaviour at Childe Road and Lacon Childe bus park in evenings reported, passed to Police and in hand.

Following complaints of boy racers in certain areas of the town have asked Police to be more visible at certain times in those areas.

CCTV going ahead within four weeks, Street lighting, St Marys and the fire service will be working with the Crime Reduction group.

Met with Vicky from Shropshire Council for catch up and next Crime Reduction meeting is now arranged.

Had meeting with Rural Cyber Crime Officers from Telford who are keen to have a day in August to set up the new van also marking and registering bicycles for people. Agenda item.

New Crime Commissioner agreed to come to November meeting but will be working on a much nearer meeting date.

➤ Dates to note

Crime Reduction Meeting – Monday 11th July at the Market Hall at 11am.

Cemetery Management with Ron Dunn Friday 15th JULY 10:00 to 4:30 Ketley Community Centre

07.5.16 Councillors' reports and items for future agendas

Cllr Hayward, progress of Double yellow lines. Clerk continually chasing. Explained Ringway issues.

Agreed to arrange a meeting with Glyn Shaw regarding footpath Curdale. Clerk to arrange.

Cllr Brown requested Christmas lights be put on next agenda.

Cllr Kirkby raised concerns about Parking in the town. To review.

Cllr Davies raised concerns over to closing of small businesses, like the Pound shop.

07.6.16 Unitary Council Reports (Cllr G Butler / Cllr M Shineton)

Cllr Shined raised the following.

Hand Rail Bull alley. Clerk confirmed recently chased with Highways who confirmed they would do it.

Survey to go out to people about services around Shropshire and locally.

7.28pm RESOLVED to Suspended Standing Orders

The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council would not be involved at this point.

Other points raised were;



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A meeting had taken place in Ludlow which changed views. Lots of Councils got together and decided to stand firm. Parish and Town councils will be blamed. Shropshire Council made the financial mess. It affects different Parishes in different ways. Double taxation again.

7.34pm RESOLVED to Re-Instated Standing Orders

Cllr Shineton continued.

Future Fit programme for December agreed in principle

7.37 Cllr French joined the meeting.

Shropshire Councils contract with Ringway was discussed which runs out in 2018.

Cllr Shineton indicated that Shropshire council has said they will not renew Ringways contract and we are all suffering. Will put Cleoburys white lining with Bridgnorths.

Cllr Hainsworth questioned whether Shropshire Council was doing anything with Ringway about breaching their contract

Cllr Shineton will ask the question.

A lot of training going on at Cleobury Country.

07.7.16 Planning Matters:

a) Planning References: 16/02588/TCA (validated: 10/06/2016)

Address: Ronville, Childe Road, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire, DY14 8EG

Proposal: To fell 2No Leylandii Trees and reduce Leylandii Hedge by 2m within Cleobury Mortimer Conservation Area

Applicant: Mr. Tom Stroughton

RESOLVED No Objection.

Planning Decisions (for information only)

b) Reference: 16/01703/FUL (validated: 22/04/2016)

Address: Parish Hall, Lower Street, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 8BN

Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension to the existing Parish Hall to provide new Disabled and Female W.C. Facilities and a new Boiler Room

Decision: Grant Permission

07.8.16 Financial Matters

a) Accounts to be paid:

Shropshire Council - Wages

Cheques for payment: -

West Mercia Energy – toilets electricity - £120.08

Mole Control – cemetery mole control - £60.00

Petty Cash - £200

D McBride Reimbursement's / Travel - £29.96

b) Income Received:

Horticultural Society – donation towards lime tree pollarding - £430.00

Cemetery Receipts - £850.00

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

d) Donation Requests

Cleobury Patients Voice £150 to host website -S137

This was explained earlier.

RESOLVED to approve grant application.

e) Capital Receipt

Crime Reduction Group, CCTV - £2,500



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The Clerk explained that as requested by the Council at the previous meeting, the Crime Group had explored 37 funding streams and had paperwork and answers, but could not gain the funding required. The CCTV was ready to start and because of the extra costs for streetlight alterations, the amount required to add to the £10,500 was £3,025.

RESOLVED to approve grant application.

07.9.16 Approve memorandum of cooperation – Cllr Thorogood and Cllr Brown

Agree a future approach to Shropshire Council regarding Budgetary issues

The Chairman explained that he and the Vice Chair had attended a meeting in Ludlow where majority of councils agreed to let Shropshire Council sort out their own failings.

Cllr Davies welcomed the stronger together approach.

RESOLVED to sign up to a memorandum of cooperation. To notify Ludlow Town Clerk.

07.10.16 Handrail Church Steps – Cllr Thorogood

Approve Contractor from Quotes received.

Two Quotes were Read out, one of a wooden Handrail and one with a metal handrail.

Points raised; - Wooden rail in keeping with Church, Metal rail will last longer.

RESOLVED That the Council approved the Quote with the metal Handrail.

07.11.16 Bus Shelter Mawley – Cllr Brown

Cllr Brown explained that we have the Insurance money which would provide a Bus shelter of one of the basic kind that we received quotes for to a maximum of £3,000.

RESOLVED that the Clerk looks into quotes and if can get a shelter fitted for the money received, to get done. Check with Insurers.

07.12.16 Business Cards – Cllr Thorogood

Approve order for Business cards to previous design.

RFO explained that we can get more business cards at £14.39 for 250 cards.

RESOLVED to go ahead.

07.13.16 To Decide location of New Notice Board – Cllr French

After a site proposal meeting, it was **RESOLVED** to site the Double sided notice board in the grassed area in the grassed area by the end of the railings at the entrance to the Market Hall, bottom of ramp, subject to Market Hall agreement.

07.14.16 Organise a meeting of Housing and business – Cllr Kirkby

To address issues of growing issues, i.e. anti-social behaviour.

Cllr Kirkby explained that the Staff at the Sports and Social club were getting harassed, with threats made.

Also we have a drug problem that seems to be getting worse. The speed at which the town is changing is causing alarm, with the police coming in from well outside. In one area a wi Fi hotspot was removed and it stopped the antisocial behaviour as they could not use phones.

Agreed to look at arranging a meeting with Housing groups, supported by Cllr Shingleton.

07.15.16 Community day proposal - Clerk

Involving Police, Fire Service, Princes Trust, Armed Forces etc.

The Clerk explained that after talking with the Rural Crime team, they promoted a Community day, with the Police, Fire Service Air force and other groups and it went really well. Thought it would be a good idea for the Parish Council to take on for the Community, as already have the Police.

8.16pm RESOLVED to Suspended Standing Orders

Cllr Shingleton suggested to link with the Hobsons day on August 20th.

The Chairman referred to a similar event that raised £20,000 a year profit.

8.19pm RESOLVED to Re-Instated Standing Orders

The Chairman confirmed it was a superb idea for the Community and Cllrs Thorogood, Brown and French volunteered to help on the day. Clerk to arrange.

07.16.16 To confirm date of the next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 1st August 2016.



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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.

- 07.17.16 Parish Hall Update - Clerk**
- 07.18.16 Employees Contract of Employment– Cllr Thorogood**
- 07.19.16 Consider transfer of Open spaces - Cllr Kirkby**

The meeting closed at 8.58pm.

Meeting Closed to the public and press at 8.35pm

Cheques written:

- Shropshire Council - Wages
- Cheques for payment –
- West Mercia Energy – toilets electricity - £120.08
- Mole Control – cemetery mole control - £60.00
- Petty Cash - £200
- D McBride Reimbursement's / Travel - £29.96

Signed: Chairman



Date: 1st August 2016