Cleobury Mortimer Parish Council

Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7th January 2012 at 7pm in the Market Hall, Cleobury Mortimer.

Present:

Cllr S Thorogood (Chairman), M Reiner (Vice Chairman), B Davies, D Brown, G Hainsworth,

Clerk: Mr M Sheehan

Public: 9

The Chairman welcomed Councillors and members of the public to the meeting wishing all A Happy New Year and asked if anyone wished to speak in the public time.

0.1.0 Democratic 15 minute Public Time

Sue Arrowsmith gave an update from the Medical Centre.

Good news with the funding agreed for the new medical centre, also the other projects including Ludlow Hospital. Matrix will be putting in the planning application in the next three months and hope to have diggers on the site August 2013 and completed August 2014. A thank you to the Parish Council for its support and Matrix will have plans on show at the

next LJC meeting in February.

It will show more space to take on more nurses and other services, also looking at

commissioning GP plans for surgeries.

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Sue said she would be happy to come back for an update in three months time.

Rich Morley (South Shropshire Youth Forum)

Thanked Parish Council for support with youth in and around Cleobury Mortimer. Young people are primed for consultation and walking around on Friday nights also launching Youth Forum Unzipped project and left leaflets with an action plan for facilities like the Skate Park and would like to come and talk to the Parish Council about the future.

The Chairman welcomed Mr Bill Longmore (Police Commissioner), Nick and Mike from Western Power and local CSO Nick for attending the meeting.

0.1.1 Apologies for absence

Cllr K Woodfield none received.

Cllr K Reynolds phoned Cllr Davies just before meeting, he and Cllr Griffiths are detained somewhere.

Cllr J Griffiths as above.

Cllr G Butler Reason unwell.

0.1.2 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 members interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

Name	Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
Cllr M Reiner	0.1.7 a) Planning

0.1.3 To approve the minutes of the meetings dated 3rd December 2012

Proposed by Cllr G Hainsworth, seconded by Cllr D Brown that the minutes be agreed and approved. Four in favour, One abstained. **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes and duly signed by the Chairman.

0.1.4 Matters arising from the minutes

Clerks Report up to date, Distributed at meeting and read out by Clerk.

Clerks Progress Report for December 2012

- Convey Council decisions on Planning Applications and payment of all accounts for settlement.
- 2) Items received requiring attention.

Letter sent Dental Practice- Parish Council Support as agreed

E-Mail Cemetery Admin – Memorial request - Agenda Item - BELOW LINE.

Letter Received - Parish Hall Committee - Caretaker Funding for Parish Hall. - **Agenda Item** Send out Parish Council Xmas cards 10/12

Letter sent to Chief Constable and Police Commissioner - Instructed by council.

E-mail received Ben Harris CSO- next meeting date, send reply.

Invoice received Shropshire Council - Parish Plan £894

Western Power receipt for payment - £726

Inform Medical Centre group of Parish Council rep Cllr M Reiner

Send E-mail reply Angela Allen – Sale of Eagle Lane toilets

Send Electricity signed mandate – 13/12

E-mail received from person in Holland re Cleobury connection- forward and reply.

E-mail received J Reynolds Clarion – Thank you Xmas card 17/12

Invoice received MH toilets 17/12

Invoice received SC for Vehicle Activation Sign

E-mail and phone call Mrs Cooke- padlocked gates Lacon Childe School – Investigating.

The Clerk confirmed that he had spoken to the school and was told that it was their property and not a right of way and was locked due to dog fouling issues. The clerk requested an explanation in writing.

Letter SC regarding Precept - copy for all councillors and deliver or e-mail.

E-mail confirmation Cllr Shineton- Furlongs Road development agreed.

E-mail confirmation New Medical Centre funding agreed – Forward to all.

E-mail regarding training for all clerks for elections in May 2013.

- 3) Meeting Western Power Cable disruption High St 7/12. Agreed to attend PC meeting.
- 4) Meeting with Prysmian engineers 14th Dec 2012 to show where Tenbury Road light to be situated.
- 5) All pot holes problems reported were completed quickly. Reported Kerb stone problem Sports & Social club car Park.
- 6) Problem with fencing around new toilets over Christmas.
- 7) Set up and facilitate meeting 17th Dec 2012 with all involved with Playing Fields fence proposal at Social Club. Attended by Bavita Williams, Primary School, Mr Dave Morris Sports & Social Club, Cllrs D Brown, B Davies, G Hainsworth. **Agenda Item**
- 8) Update meeting with all involved with new toilets 4th Jan 2013- **Agenda Item**
- 9) Letter received SC Rates for office confirmed with Shropshire Council that we need to pay.
- 10) Visit from local resident regarding overgrown trees Looking into.
- 11) Visit Heidi Steel Street Scene Update on all issues and walk around Cleobury.
- 12) Deep clean of Steeple Close, Childe Road and Church walk done.
- 13) Phone Shropshire Council to get Catherton Road on Winter Gritting route.
- 14) Phone SSHA Report pathways problem Mortimer Gardens pavements 12/12
- 15) Phoned Shropshire Council car parks Issues with Talbot Car park, pot holes, Lighting, barriers at entrance.

Cllr B Davies said it was still an issue with the surface and entrance.

- 16) Work with Cllr Shineton on issue with Jacobs Ladder tree issue.
- 17) Visits in office for update and help by Cllrs, B Davies, D Brown, M Reiner, S Thorogood, G Butler.
- 18) Folder in office of all Ongoing projects for Councillors to view.
- 19) Chairman updated daily and copied into all e-mail correspondence.

Clerk confirmed that the following dates are provisional and subject to change Meeting Dates for 2013.

Monday 4th February 2013

Monday 4th March 2013

Monday 8th April 2013

Wednesday 17th April (Annual Parish meeting)

Monday 2nd September 2013

Monday 7th October 2013

Monday 4th November 2013

Monday 2nd December 2013

Thursday 2nd May ELECTION DAY

Monday 13th May (Annual Parish Council meeting)

Monday 3rd June 2013 Monday 1st July 2013

Any other matters arising

0.1.5 Councillor's reports and items for future agendas

Cllr M Reiner – Pot holes in Langland road, The Hurst, Ronhill Lane and New road. (Clerk to follow up)

Cllr B Davies – Seen a lot of people come to meeting to voice concerns about police and non attendance. Good to see Nick (CSO) here but he cannot do all. Need some help and have Police attendance at our meetings.

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

Cllr Shineton raised the following.

January 24th 6pm – 9pm Flooding Forum at Shire Hall, Drop in session with lots of departments available, including Insurers.

Document out on long term health concerns, worth reading.

Healthwatch confirmed £42,000 for Shropshire for patients and carers.

Ambulance response time not good for this area. Requested an update.

Apologise for Shropshire Council regarding road repairs, have new contractor and bad weather causing problems, also a lot of work on small bridges due to flooding.

February 21st LJC meeting and as Mr Longmore (Police Commissioner) here, we are now joined with Highley for Police but Cleobury Mortimer is a main A route and feel strongly, as Parish Council, with the loss of our PC Tony Sewell, who was good with the young. CSO Nick does his best.

Cllr M Reiner raised the following point.

No Ambulance station in Bridgnorth and it takes 40minutes from Telford to Bridgnorth. There was a short discussion on the Ambulance service, response and location and the need for a grid reference.

0.1.7 Planning applications: a) Planning Reference: 12/05163/FUL

Development: Change of use from public conveniences to domestic outbuildings **Proposed Location:** Sunny Bank, Eagle Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, Nr Kidderminster,

Shropshire, DY14 8RA

Applicant: Mr D Gregory

After a short discussion Cllr D Brown proposed no objection, seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth, voted 4 in favour, 1 abstained, **RESOLVED.**

b) Planning Reference: 12/05142/FUL

Development: Installation of new entrance door and ambulant disabled steps **Proposed Location:** Parish Hall, Lower Street, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, DY14 8BN

Applicant: Cleobury Mortimer Parish Council

(The Market Hall, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire)

It was agreed to not comment on this application due to the applicant being the Parish Council.

c) Planning permissions/refusals - weekly planning list from SC

The Clerk informed the Parish council that the following had been granted.

SHW Containers Ltd, New Road, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire DY14 8AN. Application number: 12/04312/FUL

Applicant; Roberts Way Development.

This was confirmed in an e-mail from Cllr M Shineton which the Chairman read out followed with the reply as below.

Hi All The planning application for the 21 dwellings on the Cleobury Box Factory Site was passed yesterday.

All the Planning Committee have had severe reservations about the New Rd junction and were disappointed there hadn't been a bit more imagination with the Mortimer Terrace option.

I was a bit naughty and forcefully suggested that there should be double yellow lines up both side of New Rd to the Furlongs Rd Junction, that the 'jutting out bit' as the Rd turns Right into Ronhill Crescent should be removed back to the original pavement the tree planted there is long gone and cars park on it all the time which is not helpful if you are turning in or coming out of that entrance. I think the Ronhill Crescent junction with Ronhill Lane and the Langlands Rd junction need an expert eye on them as I fully expect traffic from the new site to use this way to get to the Schools and Sports facilities not to mention Construction traffic when building takes place.

No doubt there needs to be consultation with Parish Council and the home owners/ public. I think it would be helpful if we start that process now. It could be linked with the review of the results of the Parish Questionnaire which the RCC are evaluating for the Parish Council as we speak which included a section on Traffic Management and Parking.

Reply Received.

Dear All

It is my understanding that there were no provisions made within the planning process for this development to contribute to any local highway or traffic management improvements.

This development replaces a factory unit, where there was congestion and parking issues associated with the daily HGV and employee movements of the business. This site was significantly underutilised and should the use of the site be increased within the existing planning permission, this authority would have had no powers to control any subsequent traffic movements associated with it. Therefore, potentially exacerbating the existing traffic issues.

It was considered that removing this "bad neighbour" and replacing it with a relatively modest housing development provided an appropriate improvement to the traffic situation by its self, as the resultant residential traffic would be less onerous and better suited within the context of the local conditions than the commercial traffic it replaces.

We will also endeavour to continue to work with the developer to ensure that they produce a "Construction Traffic Management Plan" to appropriately manage construction traffic movements within the residential streets affected.

Regards

Andy Savage

Highways Development Control Manager

Cllr D Brown said we should back up Cllr Shinetons e-mail.

The Chairman proposed to suspend standing orders to allow Cllr Shineton to speak, seconded by Cllr D Brown, voted all in favour RESOLVED.

Cllr Shineton raised the following points

Lack of response from Highways

76-100 cars per day use Furlongs Road.

Asked at planning meeting for double yellow lines in New Road

New access aligns with Furlongs Road

Tree should go back by junction to Ronhill crescent.

To look at planned maintenance for Highways, will pursue.

While standing orders suspended the Chairman asked if Mr Bill Longmore, the new Police Commissioner for the West Midlands, would like to speak.

Mr Longmore said he likes the Shropshire market towns and wanted to apologise regarding the letter received but wanted to give confidence of what is happening.

Only been in the position for 28 days and starting to get known.

From the word go people did not know what the Commissioners job was and will say always have a vision of the job of someone to represent the people. Have a good record of working with people. We have had the Olympics which inspired people and carried the Olympic torch and seen the thousands of people lift themselves. Will see a plan for the community working together to make a better society, not one group can do it, need to work together.

31 million savings on Police, some was waste and some changes, and as Commissioner I have the power to make sure that the Chief Constable does a good job.

At present he is reorganising areas, making changes to CSO's positions, moral of regular PC's low, need to stop decline. Old fashion values need to come back.

Need Continuity not keep changing CSO's and PC's.

Need specials with allegiance to small towns.

Looking to get Industry involved to sponsor the police and do the best for ourselves.

Hopefully in the next few weeks will see changes and will see the Chief Constable being mindful of Cleobury Mortimer, Bewdley, Stourport with increases at weekends.

Also managed to bring in players with help and advice on funding Community games, also to get communities working together with financial help and advice.

There is a wide range of duties, abolition of offences, which a lot of money goes on this. In West Mercia we have a good Chief Constable who listens, need to give confidence back in the communities. Hopefully we can get more specials in the area.

Cllr B Davies raised the concern that we do not know our local police and the police need to know who they are dealing with.

Cllr G Hainsworth said it has made a change over the area now being serviced by PC Anne O'Leary.

Cllr D Brown said the PC Tony Sewell was proactive and did a lot with the local youth. The school are disappointed this has gone.

Richard Morley (South Shropshire Youth Forum) said they are active with police and links with the schools but have not met PC Anne O'Leary. Not all doom and gloom, some are working together. Friday night walk about still go on with councillors welcome.

Mr Longmore said it is a challenge, have no illusions but need to get job right.

The Chairman thanked Mr Longmore and proposed reinstating standing orders, seconded by Cllr D Brown, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

d) Any others received after issue of the agenda

The Clerk had received e-mail notification on the following.

12/05255/FUL 3 West end Terrace

Agreed to Defer to next meeting, Clerk to notify planning.

12/03689/FUL Former J A G Glazing Ltd Vaughan Road.

Agreed to Defer to next meeting, Clerk to notify planning.

0.1.8 Finance:

Account to be paid:
Shropshire Council - Wages
Cheques for payment –

The Market Hall - Toilets £100 (December)

Friendship Club - £50 (Agreed, donation December) (Paid)

Shropshire Council - £387 Rates Market Hall Office

Shropshire RCP - £894 Parish Plan already agreed (Paid)

Any others received after issue of the agenda

Clerk informed the councillors of the following:-

Shropshire Council - £720 (Vehicle Activation Signs)

Payments Received:

Donation Requests

Cllr D Brown proposed suspending Standing Orders to gain information on Parish Plan funding, seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

Cllr Shineton raised the following points.

Does not know about on line questionnaires report as not been completed.

Waiting for report then fix at next meeting.

Cllr D Brown confirmed that payments now up to £1400 of the £1500, then will go into precept money.

Cllr D Brown proposed reinstating standing orders, seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

Proposed by Cllr D Brown, seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth, that the accounts be accepted and payments be made. Voted all in favour RESOLVED.

0.1.9 Correspondence:

All agreed Cheques for payment sent 04/12

Convey Council decisions on Planning Applications

Letter sent Dental Practice- Parish Council Support as agreed

E-Mail Cemetery Admin – Memorial request

E-mail Streetlight problems – Catherton Road, Barnfields 4/12

Planning Received – 11 Steeple Close

Phone Prysmian – Streetlight Tenbury Rd instillation, Problem Lea View.

Send out Parish Council Xmas cards 10/12

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Send E-mail reply Angela Allen – Sale of Eagle Lane toilets

Letter received SC Rates for office -pass to Dot McBride to sort 11/12

E-mail Chris Fisher SC – Gritting Catherton Road 11/12

Phone SSHA – Report pathways problem Mortimer Gardens 12/12

Send Electricity signed mandate - 13/12

E-mail from Holland re Cleobury connection- forward and reply.

E-mail Tom Brettell – Historic Core Project 14/12

E-mail Steve Brown - New Toilets

E-mail J Reynolds Clarion – Thank you Xmas card 17/12

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Any others received after issue of the agenda:

The Clerk informed the Parish Council of an e-mail received from Flo Hadley regarding the tree pleaching of the lime trees in the high street explaining the cost as follows.

- Overall cost inc VAT: £3300
- Agreed contribution from Shropshire Council inc VAT £2200
- Contribution required from Cleobury Mortimer Parish Council of £1100 inc VAT (including £400 contribution from Cleobury residents as last year)

After a short discussion that we supported every year, Cllr G Hainsworth proposed supporting again, seconded by Cllr M Reiner, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

0.1.10 Historic Core Project update – Cllr Butler

As Cllr Butler was not present, the Clerk explained that tenders for the work has been sent out by the Architect, including to two local companies.

0.1.11 Budget & Precept – Cllr S Thorogood

There was a short discussion as to the inclusion this year of the Council tax Benefit, which now has to be taken into account and its implications for future Precepts.

Cllr G Hainsworth proposed that Cllr D Brown and the Clerk should look at this and subject to allowing for adjustments to keep the Precept the same as last year with no increase, it would be left to them, seconded by Cllr M Reiner voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

0.1.12 Medical Centre Update - Cllr S Thorogood

The Chairman said that this was covered earlier.

0.1.13 Playing Fields – Cllr S Thorogood

(Ratify verbal agreement with Shropshire Council concerning Play Area, Dog fouling signs)

The Chairman said that the verbal agreement that we look after the maintenance of the Play Area and Shropshire Council cut the grass on the sports field we own, has worked well before and we don't want to lose the Play Area, so propose that we formalise the verbal agreement with Shropshire Council, seconded by Cllr D Brown, voted all in favour **RESOLVED.**

The Clerk explained that after various complaints and meetings about dog fouling on the playing field, it was concluded that signs be obtained by the Parish Council with the help of Street Scene and placed around the field.

Cllr G Hainsworth proposed that Dog Mess warning signs are obtained and placed in the playing field, seconded by Cllr D Brown, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

0.1.14 Parish Hall Update - Cllr G Hainsworth

(Caretaker funding)

Cllr Hainsworth raised the following point that retrospective planning be looked at properly with Shropshire Council regarding the disabled access.

Cllr B Davies suggested that the Clerk and Cllr M Shineton work together to find out more.

Cllr D Brown proposed that Standing Orders are suspended to ask Cllr Shineton if this was ok with her, seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth, **RESOLVED.**

Cllr Shineton agreed to look at the issues of the Parish Hall at Shropshire Council.

The Chairman proposed reinstating Standing Orders, seconded by Cllr D Brown **RESOLVED.**

The Clerk explained that a letter has been received regarding funding for the caretaker, which the Parish Council agreed before and they were now requesting the second half of the £3,000 agreed of £1500, having made the first payment last 12 months instead of six. Cllr D Brown proposed that the payment of £1500 be made but a long term of using joint staff be looked at as discussed before. Seconded by Cllr G Hainsworth **RESOLVED.**

0.1.15 Toilets Update - Cllr S Thorogood

Under floor Heating, Alarm system.

The Chairman explained that the new toilets build was going well but due to a shortfall he had received an e-mail asking if the Parish Council wanted to fund under floor heating for long term cost saving and read out the following e-mail.

Further to this mornings' meeting I can confirm that the extra over cost for the under floor heating is £1208.00, we would also recommend using aluminium rainwater gutters and downpipes in lieu of the PVC currently priced which would be an extra over of £360.00. Our Engineers have outlined the savings which could contribute to the above:

Electrical (including use of plastic conduit in lieu of steel in plant room, specification of 'bronze' series light sensors in lieu of 'silver) = £562

Mechanical (omit PIR sensor taps for standard, omit automatic wc flush for push button operation) =

We would be grateful if you could confirm how you wish to proceed with the above items in order that we can instruct the Contractor.

After a short discussion Cllr G Hainsworth proposed that subject to confirmation of the figures by the clerk, that we have the under floor heating, seconded by Cllr M Reiner, voted all in favour **RESOLVED**.

It was agreed to look at the possibility of a camera for security at a later date.

0.1.16 Place Plan Update - Cllr G Butler

As Cllr Butler was absent no update was given.

0.1.17 Royal wedding mugs - Cllr S Thorogood

(Update request from December meeting)

The Chairman suggested that any public monies held by Mrs Griffiths be donated to a local Charity with the Parish Council informed which one and that the Parish Council minutes cannot be changed once agreed, as it is a legal document.

Cllr M Reiner proposed that Standing Order be suspended to allow Mrs Griffiths to speak, seconded by the Chairman, voted all in favour RESOLVED.

Mrs Griffiths raised the following points.

Situation remained unchanged regarding money held and minutes.

Public should see Draft minutes as at Neen Savage.

The Chairman raised the following.

It is up to each Parish Council regarding Draft minutes and do not legally have to.

Cllr Shineton raised the point that Neen Savage does provide a couple of copies so the public can follow proceedings.

There was a heated discussion with the following points raised.

Mrs Griffiths requested the Parish Council instigate Legal action against her to get the money held.

Also that minutes from 2011 be changed.

Cllr B Davies requested that Draft minutes be placed on the next Agenda.

The Chairman again confirmed that agreed minutes are a legal document and cannot be changed.

Also it was up to the Parish Council to decide whether to put out their Draft minutes.

0.1.18 Confirm dates of 2013 Parish Council meetings - Clerk

Next meeting 4th February 2013

Clerk confirmed that the following dates are provisional and subject to change Meeting Dates for 2013.

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Wednesday 17th April (Annual Parish meeting)

Thursday 2nd May ELECTION DAY

Monday 13th May (Annual Parish Council meeting) Monday 3rd June 2013

Monday 1st July 2013

Monday 2nd September 2013 Monday 7th October 2013 Monday 4th November 2013 Monday 2nd December 2013

The Chairman read out the following and proposed the Press and Public be excluded for the next item, seconded by CIIr D Brown, 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.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.10pm to allow the following items to be discussed See 'CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES'.

Signed: Chairman Date 7/1/13