Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on MONDAY 3rd MARCH 2014, at 7pm in the Market Hall, Cleobury Mortimer.

Present:

Cllr S Thorogood (Chairman) Cllr D Brown (Vice-Chairman), Cllr B Davies, Cllr M Reiner, Cllr G Hainsworth, Cllr J Martin, Cllr R Hayward, Cllr D Harley Clerk: Mr M Sheehan RFO; Mrs D McBride Public:8

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Parish Council and asked if anyone would like to speak in the public session.

0.3.0 Democratic 15 minute Public Time

Mr Bill Duley raised points to support the request on the agenda for Walter Pullen. Devoted to paintings of Cleobury Mortimer in the 1940's with over 100 pictures.

Ten years ago had an exhibition which was well received.

Following his death paintings bequeathed to Steve Knott 4 years ago.

Keen to work in partnership with Parish Council to exhibit.

John Wilks raised points to support the request on the agenda for the Radar flying club. We are looking for a small area to locate a small shed close to the Social Club to house pigeon racing baskets and to meet once weekly throughout the summer months to mark the pigeons ready for racing. We have explored other options without success unfortunately. We are a long standing organisation within the community and look to work and support other local businesses and organisations where we can. Pigeon racing has been carried out in the local community for the past 40 years and more. We have the backing of the social club who have also drafted a supporting letter for us and would be the headquarters.

We would fully intend to maintain and insure the shed concerned outright and be solely responsible for it.

It would be for 2-3 hours every Thursday and Friday nights and it would be a 10 x 8 shed. Mrs Ann-Marie Bard from Cleobury Dental practice wanted to ask that the Parish Council support the Dental practice application for change of use of the old police station to a dental practice as they have now taken it over to expand the practice.

The Chairman welcomed and introduced the new Responsible Financial Officer Mrs Dorothy McBride to the Parish council meeting.

0.3.1 Apologies for absence

Cllr B Davies Reason: Not Well **RESOLVED to accept the apology**

0.3.2 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.

Name	Disclosable Pecuniary Interests	
Cllr S Thorogood	0.3.8	Finance: Personal
Cllr D Brown	0.3.7 b)	Planning: Personal

0.3.3 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 3rd February 2014

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting which was duly signed by the Chairman.

0.3.4 Matters arising from the minutes

Clerks Report up to date distributed at meeting <u>CLERKS REPORT February 2014 Condensed report.</u>

Dangerous corner past Blount A4117.

On going. Still no confirmation of owner of small parcel of land needed for work proposals to continue, working with local residents in area.

Historic Core

All grant money received into PC account, project now started and should be completed by end of March 2014.

New Toilets

Backup systems now fitted inside, had initial problems but now can isolate all doors. Vandalism in Men's toilets with Baby Changer torn from the wall, cubicle door handle damaged beyond repair and door stop missing. Had to use cubicle door lock and handle from ladies until new locks arrive.

➢ <u>Training</u>

CIL training 6TH March 2014 (Cllrs Hainsworth, Reiner attending). Annual Town and Parish Emergency Planning event 13th March 2014 Cllrs Davies, Thorogood and Clerk attending). Audit Training 20th March.

Highways/ Streetlights Issues

All pot holes reported and streetlights dealt with. Problems with Heath Close drains in hand.

New streetlight now fitted on a Bromford house on Childe Road.

Lime Tree Pleaching in High Street commencing 17th March 2014.

Again pressed Shropshire Council building control to do something about 12 Church street with dangerous guttering and tiles. Taking another look.

> <u>CCTV</u>

New signs received to attach to posts in town. Pushing request for 2 more cameras for town.

Damaged Bus Shelter Mawley

Sent reply letter to Insurance Company, reply received with slightly higher offer from £500 to £750, Parish

- Council to advise.
- Bus Stops

Bus shelters in town now cleaned, broken sign to be fitted with new signs 292 decisions moved to April due to responses received.

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Cemetery

Moving ahead with Cllr Martin, have proposals regarding recycling bays for grass and soil. After a meeting with the WW1 commemoration partnership (Parish Council, British Legion and St Marys Church) looking at a Lych-gate over the new access gate to the Cemetery.

Manor House

After Parish Plan meeting it was requested the Shropshire Council have their architects survey the property.

Problems reported and Some items still Chasing

RATS Vaughan Road – Sara Lloyd BOVIS Disturbance – Tina Brooks Crime - Mr D Gregory Documents regarding Play Area agreement, Railings for Bull Alley steps, Disabled Bays Talbot Yard Overgrowth of tree and ivy on pavement at Vaughan Road corner, Streetlight over the Lamp restaurant.

M Sheehan

Parish Clerk

Cllr D Harley reported Church Walk Light not working. Clerk noted for repair. 0.3.5 Councillor's reports and items for future agendas

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Cllr Martin reported that Rachel Neaves is running Playing Fields Group alone and need more volunteers for help on committee.

Agreed to advertise at the Schools.

Clir Harley reported Pot Holes Bridgnorth road. Noted by clerk.

Cllr Reiner reported blocked drains in main street, pot holes Hurst. Noted by clerk.

0.3.6 Unitary Report (CIIr G Butler / CIIr M Shineton)

LJC Update

No Unitary Councillor present to report.

Cllr Brown attended the recent LJC meeting and reported that Fibre optic broadband was scheduled for the next year in our area. Information on Cleobury Mortimer parish council website.

0.3.7 Planning applications:

a) Planning Reference: 14/00712/TCA

Address: Brookside, Eagle Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Shropshire.

Proposal: Various works on trees within Cleobury Mortimer Conservation Area.

Applicant: Mr D Gravatte

RESOLVED No Objection

b) Planning Reference: 14/00498/FUL (validated: 18/02/2014)

Address: Weston Farm , Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, DY14 8PP

Proposal: Erection of a carport/shed with loft accommodation above

Applicant: Mr & Mrs G. Potter

RESOLVED No Objection

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

d) Any others received after issue of the agenda

d) Planning Reference: 14/00744/COU

Address: 5 Talbot Square, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, DY14 8BQ

Proposal: Change of use from Police office (B1) to Dental surgery (D1)

Applicant: Cleobury Mortimer Dental Practice

RESOLVED No Objection Finance:

0.3.8

a)Account to be paid:

Shropshire Council - Wages Cheques for payment -Cleobury Mortimer Scouts - £100 (Gambia trip) Mr R Robertshaw - £45 (Xmas lights Reimbursements) S Thorogood - £25.60 (Training Mileage) The RFO made the council aware of the following: SALC - £30 (Training) b)Payments Received: Shropshire Council - £16.000 (Historic Core) Shropshire Council Market Towns-£6,500 (Historic Core)

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

c)Donation Requests

Bridgnorth & South Shropshire Crucial Crew - £231 Points raised were, teach children personal safety, we support annually, RESOLVED to pay when section 137 forms are completed and returned. d) Bank Account review – RFO, Clerk Approve Changes to Bank mandate. (Signatories and correspondence) **RESOLVED** to make changes. Consider merging of Treasurers and Business account. To look at in the near future.

0.3.9 Correspondence:

Email from Cllr David Sandbach Westbury Parish Council (Shropshire Hospital Svcs) The chairman discussed some of the points received in the email that requested that the public and councillors get involved by going online to <u>http://www.shropshireccg.nhs.uk/governing-board-papers</u> With the next step will be to take the debate out to towns, villages and communities right across the area.

Urgent matters received after Agenda needing attention.

The Clerk made the council aware of a request from Diane Malley to remain as Internal Auditor RESOLVED Dianne Malley remain Internal Auditor.

0.3.10 Parish Hall Update – Cllr Hainsworth

Cllr Hainsworth informed the council that the compensation payment from Shropshire Council was going through regarding the disabled entrance and a thank you to Cllr Gwilym Butler.

0.3.11 Newsletter – Cllr Martin

Cllr Martin explained the importance of getting this newsletter right with important information. **Resolved that the publicity group agree and sent out.**

0.3.12 Partnership Working request Mr Duley (Re Walter Pullen, Artist)

Discussed the paintings could be displayed in the Market Hall, school or new medical centre. **RESOLVED** to write to Mr Duley to arrange a meeting and agree in principal to support the partnership of displaying the paintings.

0.3.13 Application to locate shed by Sports and Social Club

(Email received from Radar Flying Club for support)

After hearing the proposals earlier it was **RESOLVED** to support to siting of the shed with the Clerks involvement for location.

0.3.14 Cleobury Database Mail shot – Cllr Thorogood

Clir Thorogood explained that a database of residents would be useful to distribute information and a letter could be sent out to offer residents the opportunity to be on the database, with the security for privacy.

RESOLVED that we would promote and encourage a Mail Shot Database through The Clarion, Posters, Website, Newsletter and face book. If this does not work, we would re visit the mail shot route.

0.3.15 Revenue from Parish Council Land Update – Cllr S Thorogood

Not much to report, more applications due in.

0.3.16 Crime Prevention Update– Cllr S Thorogood, Cllr Martin

Report of Crime prevention meeting

Points discussed

Choice of Highley and Cleobury Mortimer to keep open and Highley kept open.

- Police are out in cars more having no real base.
- Specials are in Cleobury weekly tackling speeding.
- Look at back roads more including Ronhill Lane.
- Youth are being spoken to by Youth leaders and Police.
- Black boxes are in most youth cars to monitor driving which helps with Insurance.
- Need details of problem cars reported with number plate details.
- Need more parking Enforcement at least once a week.
- Larger Notice Board for Police and youth as well as Parish Council.
- Crutial Crew needed to visit Schools
- Parish Plan reports to be sent to Crime Commissioner.
- Alcohol abuse is more of a problem with the youth which can be covered by Crutial Crew visits to Schools.
- Young Peoples Directory required, possibly from Capital money.
- Skate Park to be resolved.

Cllr Martin commented that it was a good response.

Cllr Brown confirmed Specials are conducting speed checks.

Cllr Thorogood acknowledged an email received from Mr Gregory concerning local crime.

RESOLVED to invite Mr Gregory to join our crime working group.

0.3.17 Market Hall – Cllr S Thorogood

Cllr Thorogood informed the council of a letter received from Compassionate Communities explaining their difficulties with funding and explained the decisions of the Market Hall committee to respond and assist them to continue at present in a limited capacity.

RESOLVED to agree with Market Hall committees proposals.

0.3.18 Damaged Bus Shelter Mawley Update – Clerk

Reply received with updated offer of £750

RESOLVED to instruct MFG Solicitors, through Justin Parker, to reply to their last letter and resolve.

0.3.19 WW1 Commemoration Update – Cllr Thorogood, Cllr Brown

Cllr Brown notified the council that the following points were discussed at the working group meeting.

1. Main Points from Meeting

- It is a COMMEMORATION of WW1
- Church Service near to August 4th 2014 as possible
- 48 page booklet being produced also listing reference to regiments local people served. Look at providing another 800 copies for school children.
- Poppy seeds required for schools to spread around.
- Look at what the schools are doing to commemorate WW1
- Grants available range from £3,000 to £10,000.
- Proposed a Lytch-Gate for the cemetery if grants available. To be completed by 2018.
- Look at becoming a Town Council as have a charter.
- Plant a tree or plaque on the Market Hall was suggested
- Agreed that if there is a parade it was marching to the sound of a drum only.
- Also suggestion of dressing in Period costumes for the Farmers Market.
 Date of next meeting

Friday 21st March 11.30am Market Hall

0.3.20 Parking Review Update – Cllr Thorogood

Letter received from Hopton Wafers PC (Disabled parking request)

The updated review from Shropshire Highways, following a previous meeting was discussed.

RESOLVED to agree to the proposals.

Cllr Thorogood read out a letter from Hopton Wafers Parish Council, requesting that the Parish Council look at providing a disabled bay outside the Bank.

After a short discussion it was **RESOLVED** that disabled bays need to be outside the bank, post office and one to remain outside the Chemist.

Clerk to arrange a site meeting with Glyn Shaw from Highways.

0.3.21 Historic Core Update – Clerk

Clerk confirmed work is starting this week.

0.3.22 Cemetery – Cllr J Martin

Recycling Bays for grass and soil.

Cllr Martin informed the council that a site meeting had taken place with Cllr Harley and the clerk and a site in the cemetery identified, measured and drawings put together.

RESOLVED to obtain three quotes.

0.3.23 Councillors Surgeries – Cllr J Martin

Cllr Martin produced the following list of proposals.

It was noted and agreed that Cllr Brown and Cllr Thorogood had already made arrangements to attend the first session on Saturday 15th April. Councillors could swap if required.

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Surgery Rota 2014

All surgeries held in the Council Office at the Market Hall, 10:00am – 12:00noon

15th March

Sean Thorogood – Debbie Brown

19th April – Exhibition Day **All Councillors** 17th May **Bob Hayward – Dave Harley** 21st June **Betty Davies – Jack Martin** 19th July Michael Reiner – Geoff Hainsworth **NOTHING IN AUGUST** 20th September Geoff Hainsworth – Jack Martin 18th October Sean Thorogood – Dave Harley 15th November Debbie Brown – Michael Reiner 20th December **Betty Davies – Bob Hayward**

0.3.24 Code of Conduct Review – Cllr Brown, Clerk

It was agreed that all councillors available can look at reviewing the Code of Conduct. The clerk also reminded the councillors that conduct with the public was important after meetings, that information given to councillors may sometimes be confidential but needed to make informed and impartial decision and as such should be treated in that way.

0.3.25 Councillor Vacancy – Cllr Thorogood

The chairman informed the council of a resignation letter was received from Councillor Andrew Davies.

RESOLVED that the clerk advertise the vacancy in the proper way.

0.3.26 Agree Speaker for Annual Parish meeting – Clerk

Clerk requested suggestions for a speaker for the Annual Parish meeting, which is the parishes own meeting, chaired by the council.

RESOLVED that three be asked for a 15 minute slot each.

A member of the youth of Cleobury, Cllr Martin to look into.

Mr Mark Baldwin and Mr Nick Davies of Hobsons Brewery.

0.3.27 Confirm date of the next Parish Council meeting Next P.C. meeting 7th APRIL 2014

Agreed date of next meeting No other business.

Meeting Closed at 8.40pm

Cheques written:

Cheques for payment – Cleobury Mortimer Scouts - £100 (Gambia trip) Mr R Robertshaw – £45 (Xmas lights Reimbursements) S Thorogood - £25.60 (Training Mileage) SALC - £30 (Training)

Signed: Chairman

Date 7/04/2014