

Claybrooke Magna Parish Council

MINUTES of a MEETING

held on THURSDAY, 10th November 2016
at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Nicholas Reseigh, Chairman
Cllr Robin Deacon, Vice Chairman
Cllr Jo-Ann Allcoat

Mr Peter Jones, Clerk to the Parish Council

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were given by Cllr Michael Lenihan , Cllr Jan Butcher and Cllr Rosita Page, District & County Councillor.

Disclosure of personal interests. There were no disclosures.

Minutes of the last meeting, held on 13th October 2016 , were approved as a correct record with one amendment (substitute "Miss" for "Mrs" before Jo-Ann Allcoat) and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising from the last meeting

Dog fouling posters & Dog/Litter Bins

One of the posters has been put up and the remainder will be put up shortly.

The Clerk is awaiting details of costings of new bin(s) by HDC but previous information has been that the cost of a new bin is approx. £200 including installation but not including emptying, which is currently £350 p.a. for litter and dog bins.

The Chairman had learnt from his attendance at the recent Parish Council Liaison Meeting that HDC had introduced a new bylaw which gives an authorised officer of the Council the power to issue fines for persons not carrying a dog waste bag. Notices will be put up shortly by HDC.

The Chairman observed that Broughton Astley was issuing free bags and wondered if this was something Claybrooke might be able to emulate.

Village name signs

Cllr Deacon has put in an application to the Magna Park Community Fund for help towards funding this project.

New Website

The Clerk would contact 2Commune for training on the new website. In the meantime consideration should be given towards exhibiting agendas/Minutes on the Parish Noticeboard but as this would be too small to accommodate these documents, and is in a poor state of repair, consideration will be given at the next meeting towards purchasing a new board.

Speed Cameras

The Chairman is currently looking at the options. Deferred to next meeting.

Fire Ambassador

Cllr Butcher has put her name forward but has not yet heard anything.

Grasscutting 2017

Mr Matt Osborne, who has been cutting the grass this season has indicated he does not wish to continue in 2017. Members will see if there is anyone else in the Village willing to take up the work next year.

Telephone box

It was agreed to adopt the old telephone box, at a cost of £1, even though it is not a traditional red model, with a view to making use of it for community purposes. Clerk to notify HDC.

Matters raised by District/County Councillor

No matters raised.

Matters raised by Residents, at Chairman's discretion

Cllr Deacon had received a complaint by a resident regarding speeding traffic through the village along the Main Road. A discussion ensued as to what form of traffic calming measures would be suitable and the consensus was that chicanes and speed limit markings on the road would be appropriate. Clerk to invite a member of LCC Highways to discuss at a PC meeting.

Finance

Accounts for Payment:

It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr Deacon and agreed that the following accounts be approved:

Mr Matt Osborn – Fee for grasscutting 2016: £500

HMRC – Clerk's Income Tax payment: £55.00

CPA Horticulture Ltd – Bark for Playground : £189.00

Citizens' Advice Bureau – donation £25.00

Bank Account

The Clerk would obtain forms from the bank to add signatories to the account now that the Parish Council has its full complement of members.

Monthly Budget Report:

The Parish Council had spent approximately 90% of its Precept in the current financial year. This was noted.

Planning

New/Unresolved Planning Applications

16/01725/FUL – Kinver Cottage, the Vineyard – erection of two storey extension.

The Parish Council supported this application.

16/01747/FUL (revised application 15/00826/FUL) 3 Woodland Avenue – demolition of outbuildings and erection of single storey extension.

The Parish Council supported this application.

Other/Ongoing Planning Matters

Claybrooke SRV Status/Local Plan

Matters on hold awaiting the publication of the Local Plan.

Neighbourhood Plans

These had been discussed at the Parish Council Liaison Meeting which the Chairman had attended. The PC felt there was little point in embarking upon a NP until the Local Plan is published. There would be much work and expense including a local referendum and public parish meetings. Matter to be kept as an Agenda Item for discussion at future meetings.

Emergency Plan - review

The Chairman and Cllr Butcher would look at this with a view to updating it with new information.

Correspondence The Clerk produced items of correspondence, some of which were distributed amongst members.

Parish Events

Cllr Allcoat said that there would be a railway film on the 11th November, and future events such as Party Animals, magical Christmas Trees and the School Bazaar.

Village Hall

The Clerk had asked Claybrooke Parva PC whether they would be prepared to contribute to the costs of the Village Hall, and was awaiting a reply.

Playground

Cllr Deacon reported that the new bark had been laid and the gates would be repaired shortly.

Any Other Business

The Chairman produced a handout relating to HDC Community Safety Partnership, which is looking to refreshing their Community Safety Plan for 2017/8, and inviting comments. Matter to be discussed at next meeting,

Date of next meeting: 8th December 2016

The meeting concluded at 9.00 pm.