

**MINUTES OF THE OF CLIDDESSEN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE MILLENNIUM VILLAGE HALL
COMMENCING AT 19:30 ON TUESDAY 7 JULY 2015**

Present: Cllrs: Francis (following co-option) (AF) Neilson (AN), (Chairman), Newman (SN),
Williams (CW) Eggington (NE)

In Attendance. 1 member of the public & the Parish Clerk.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

The Clerk declared an interest in Item 11(b): Payments for Approval (salary & admin expenses).

3. MINUTES

07/16 It was
RESOLVED to receive and approve the minutes of the First Meeting of the new Council held on 19 May 2015.

4. CO-OPTION

08/16 It was
RESOLVED (4/0/0) to co-opt Mrs Andrea Francis to fill the councillor vacancy arising from the May Election Proposed by Cllr Neilson, Seconded by Cllr Williams.

STANDING ORDER 10 (vi)

09/16 It was
RESOLVED to alter the order of business, and bring forward discussion of PC Reid's Police Report at this point in order to permit him to go on to other duties. PC Reid's Report is at Appendix A to these Minutes.

A verbal report was also received on progress regarding the proposal for funding to provide a continued dedicated police officer presence in the rural area. The draft agreement has been agreed by the police legal team and the decision now rests with the Police & Crime Commissioner (HPCC). A meeting between HPPC, B. Cllr Ruffell and a representative of Parish Council Chairman is planned. It is hoped to have a decision by the end of July.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no requirement for an Open Forum.

6. REPORTS

- a. **School Governors:** SN reported that funds are being used to renovate parts of the school.
- b. **Planning Matters:** AN reported that the only planning activity since the last meeting was the approval of 15/01464/HSE: Erection of an outbuilding in the curtilage of a listed building to provide a games room, home office and utility room at The Well House Farleigh Road.
- c. **Village Hall:** NE reported that CVH continues to run profitably and efficiently. A programme of minor works is ongoing..
- d. **Paths & Ponds:** CW reported that the hedge along Footpath 1 by the church has been cut, but growth needs to be monitored. The Clerk confirmed that the surface area of

footpaths is the responsibility of HCC's Rights of Way Office. The Clerk is to contact ROWO to have these cut back.

e. **Communications:** It was agreed that (i) the views of residents would be sought via an article in the newsletter as to what they would like to see on the website. The Clerk & AF will work together on ideas for upgrading the website. (ii) The Clerk was also asked to review the policy document governing the publication of the newsletter with a view to amending the policy regarding advertising. The consensus was that advertising by village related persons/bodies should be allowed within a limit of a single page, with set rates and set sizes for a trial period of six months.

f. **Highways:** (i) AN confirmed that he had twice written to HCC about the drain covers near Rectory Row. A new work order has been raised for repair work. (ii) New pedestrian signage is in place; AN has pressed for roundels on various village roads. It is hoped this work will be included in the next programme of works.

g. **Clerk's Report:** The Clerk reported receiving a consultation on electoral boundaries in Hampshire. The number of County Councillors will remain the same, but the ratio of residents: Councillors is to be more evenly balanced.

7. ROAD SAFETY MEASURES

Confirmation had been received that Cliddesden's Speedwatch proposal had been agreed and a grant of £1,000 had been received from the Police & Crime Commissioner. A number of options were considered and

10/16 RESOLVED

It was to purchase the simple (sled mounted) SID offered by CA Traffic Ltd at a cost of £1882 excluding VAT, which is the system used by many of the other parishes operating Speedwatch.

The Clerk was also authorised to purchase ancillary equipment eg hi-viz jackets, clip boards, pens etc. The Clerk as the Co-ordinator will submit the data to the police via a newly introduced spreadsheet recording system. In turn the police will feed back information on action taken arising from the data supplied by CPC, which may be published in the newsletter.

8. PHONE BOX DEFIBRILLATOR

a. **Defibrillator:** Confirmation had been received within the last 48 hours that the defibrillator is now "live" ie connected to the ambulance service database. The necessary publicity action will be taken, the Clerk will check the equipment weekly and submit the necessary reports to CHT/Central Southern Ambulance Service.

b. **Village Emergency Telephone System (VETS):** The Clerk reported that VETS is designed principally to support the defibrillator, but that CHT had confirmed that it can be used in any way which the parish requires. The Clerk was asked to ascertain the full cost of introducing a VETS system in Cliddesden both with and without the individual dedicated telephones.

9. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a. A financial report and bank reconciliation showing balances at 3 July 2015 of £518.95 on the Treasurer's Account (up to & including CQ No 607) and £15,009.83 on the Deposit Account was noted.

b. Payments for approval.

11/16 It was
RESOLVED to approve the following payments:

CQ NO	Payee	Service	Amount
604	R. Darley	Junel Salary + Admin Expenses June/July	£292.34
605	HMRC	PAYE June	£53.40
606	R. Darley	Salary: July	£213.47
607	HMRC	PAYE July	£53.40
608	CA Traffic Ltd	Simple Speed Sign, complete with battery	£2258.40
		Total	£2871.01

(c) **2014/2015 Accounts & Audit:** The Clerk reported that the Annual Report had been submitted to BDO Ltd well before the due date. BDO Ltd had asked for more detail of the significant increase in Other Payments. A response had been sent.

10. **APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING**

An email enquiring whether CPC might consider making a grant towards the cost of installing water, toilets and a meeting area at St Leonards Church. In view of the commitment made to make annual contributions to finance a continued dedicated police presence in the rural area, and the costs of Speedwatch equipment and defibrillator, the Clerk tabled, for information, a revised budget for 2015/16. After discussion,

12/16 It was
RESOLVED to advise St Leonards that regrettably funding is unable to make a grant on this occasion.

11. **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS/CLERK**

AN reported having attended a meeting of Basingstoke & District Association of Town & Parish Councils (BDAPTC). He reported that s106 contributions are to be replaced largely by the Construction Industry Levy, the majority of which will be allocated only to parishes which have formulated a neighbourhood Plan. It was also confirmed that public transport in the area is largely satisfactory.

12. **DATES OF FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Future meetings will be held on 1 September & 3 November 2015 and 5 January 2016.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21.25.

Signed.....

Date.....

Report to the Chairman Cliddesden Parish Council

Meeting 07.07.15

- 03.03 Dwelling burglary reported at 1 Station Road, man found in kitchen of house
- 31.03 Poaching Trespass near School
- 09.04 Broken down vehicle on B3046 at 02:40 am
- 14.04 Civil dispute at The Jolly Farmer, Cliddesden
- 19.04 Concern for welfare house in Woods Lane
- 20.04 Report of a fire in Station Road - AIO controlled burn
- 29.04 Driving complaint in Woods Lane,
- 25.05 Drunk man called at house in village - suitable ejected
- 27.06 Chalk marks on footpath at Southlea
- 30.06 Car driven into wall in Woods Lane, man made off caught and arrested for drink driving

2015 - about the village there is June

I made up 7 Be Safe packs for the elderly issued after suspicious incident at elderly folks home in Axford

CRIME 2015

- 1 Burglary Dwelling
 - 3 Domestic disputes
 - 2 Possession of drugs
 - 1 Criminal Damage to car window parked by the school
 - 1 Public Order - neighbours
 - 1 *Shop other local lights from at Cliddesden 06/07/15*
- 2014

REPORTED CRIME 2013	5
REPORTED CRIME 2014	11

These crimes consisted of two burglaries of houses, we linked both and a Basingstoke man was arrested and convicted of one of them being sent to prison.

An assault in which a dog off the lead spooked two horses causing them to throw their riders off, one being injured and requiring hospital treatment. We also had two out buildings broken into, an offensive weapon incident reported, a historical assault, a domestic related assault, and arson to a stubble field. A Basingstoke man was found in possession of cannabis. A visitor to the area left their sat nav on display in their parked car, which was broken into, and the sat nav stolen.

Other incidents included 4 poaching incidents, an abandoned car by the pond, an electric cable brought down by high winds, an abandoned 999 call, 4 damage road traffic incidents (accidents), 1 of which involved a man who drove away, after enquiries I managed to locate him and he was reported for summons as he had no insurance and left the scene of the accident.

We also had 3 concerns for welfare calls for people in the Parish, a tree across a road, two suspicious vehicle and 5 suspicious incidents reported. We attended 3 domestic disputes a report of a dog in the road, 2 reports of vehicles causing an obstruction a water board alarm activated, a complaint of nuisance motorcycles on the A339, 2 false / fault burglar alarm activations, a report of an explosion which was found to be a man testing his 'paint balling' equipment, 2 reports of youths causing a nuisance and a report of a suspicious man looking at a house.