

CLIPSTON PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 1st March 2017. CLIPSTON VILLAGE HALL, 7.30pm

Minutes taken by Felicity Ryan, Clerk/RFO.

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Present: Councillors. R Burnham (Chairman), M Ward, A Fellowes, H Weston, A Price, P Hooper, P Booker

Attendees: Four members of the public were present.

16/134 Apologies: - It was **RESOLVED** to accept apologies from C Kemsley-Pein

16/135. Declarations of Interests – None declared. Cllr Hooper completed the Code of Conduct declaration and the DI form. **ACTION: Clerk to send to DDC.**

16/136. Comments from the Public – A member of the public commented that the Farndon Road pavement was covered in leaves and was causing a hazard to walkers. **ACTION: Clerk to report to DDC**

Another member of the public spoke regarding the open village meeting held regarding superfast Broadband as follows: -

- Approximately 50 people attended the meeting held in February.
- 84 questionnaires have been returned.
- 94 % of those people that completed the questionnaire stated they would be in favour of Open reach.
- Phase 3 of NCC's superfast rollout will not confirm delivery plans until April/May 2017.
- The deadline for entering into a Community Fibre Partnership is end of March 2017.
- The community-led body were requesting the Parish Council make a decision based on the evidence supplied as to whether to further investigate the possibility of a Community Fibre Partnership. **ACTION : Clerk to e mail the member of the public once a decision had been reached.**

16/137. Updates from County and District Councillor – No update received

16/138. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 1st February 2017 – It was **RESOLVED** to sign the minutes as a true copy of that meeting.

16/139 Matters arising from the Minutes: -

Dog Waste bin sites – **ACTION : To be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.**

Fence on Church Lane – **ACTION : Clerk to chase**

Neighbourhood Plan meeting update – The Parish Boundary Plan has been sent to DDC for designation. Cllr Price and the Clerk are investigating alternative Planning Consultants after one Consultant declined to assist the process. Cllr Price has looked into NACRE assistance but at present they do not offer expertise on Planning matters, and therefore a Consultant will have to be appointed.

Kelmarsh Wind Farm meeting update – Cllr Booker confirmed the Community Fund is now open for applications from community groups. The next meeting will be held on 6th March 2017 and the Constitution has now been finalised.

Superfast Broadband options – It was **RESOLVED** to support the possibility of the Community Fibre Partnership with Open reach, based on the results of the poll conducted in the village.

Paint means Poo forum – Cllr Weston reported that she had not attended, but had read through and noted the results of the scheme.

16/140 Finance – to include –

a) invoices to pay: -

Hitachi (Mower Lease) (SO) - £199.20

16/141 Planning Applications for :- DA/2017/0164 – Single storey side extension linked to adjacent utility building at The White Cottage 17, Gold Street Clipston LE16 9RR – It was **RESOLVED** to OBJECT as follows :-

1. The proposed extension is not aesthetically pleasing and jars with the existing street scene. The new wall fronting Gold Street is uncharacteristic and inconsistent with other properties in Gold Street and is visually awkward.
 2. The Clipston Village Design Statement adopted May 2013 contains Building Guidelines - page 11. Guideline NBG8 states that "New property boundaries must be in keeping with the surrounding and neighbouring properties". The new wall fronting Gold Street does not follow this Guideline.
- DA/2017/0113 – First floor side extension over existing utility room/wc at 6 Bassett Way Clipston – It was **RESOLVED** to SUPPORT the application subject to the following :-
1. The working times of contractors should be restricted in order to minimise disruption to residents.

Decision Notices – DA/2016/1171 – Construction of workshop and summer house at 5 The Paddocks, Clipston – Granted with conditions

16/142 Village Maintenance:

Overgrown hedgerow leading out of the village towards Market Harborough – Highway Monitoring

Overgrown hedgerow near to 'The Hollies' – Highway Monitoring

Leaves to be swept at The Jitty – **ACTION : Clerk to chase**

Mower shed roof in need of repair – **Quotes awaited**

Give Way sign on A508 – **To be completed**

Drain outside Prince Rupert Cottage, High Street, Clipston – **Work completed**

Pot hole on Station Road – **ACTION : Clerk to report**

Paths at Naseby Road between Chestnut Grove and Gold Street and Farndon Road covered with leaves – **ACTION : Clerk to report**

Mower Service – **ACTION : Cllr Price to arrange**

Increase in dog fouling on Gold Street – **ACTION : Clerk to report**
Verge being damaged outside the two bungalows on High Street – **ACTION : Clerk to contact school regarding parent parking.**

Recycling waste concerns about being sent to landfill – **ACTION : Clerk to raise with DDC.**

16/143. Consultations: - Consultation on Northamptonshire County Council's Prioritisation Framework and Process – Noted
30 hours' free childcare - Parental demand survey – Noted

16/144. Correspondence –

Use of Village Halls by local businesses – Noted
Daventry Tourism Stakeholder Meeting 13th March, 10.30am-12 – Noted
Police report summaries – Noted
Northamptonshire Highways Annual Parish survey – Noted

16/145. Any Other Business (for discussion only, no items can become decisions)

Cllr Burnham reminded Councillors decisions can only be made at Parish Council meetings, and no Councillor should make unilateral decisions on behalf of the Council.

ACTION : Annual Parish meeting to be held next month.

Meeting Closed 8.47pm