

## CLIPSTON PARISH COUNCIL

### DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> January 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, C Kemsley-Pein, District and County Councillor Cecile Irving-Swift

**Attendees:** Two members of the public were present.

16/110. Apologies: A Price, P Booker. It was **RESOLVED** to accept both apologies.

16/111. Declarations of Interests: Cllr Fellowes declared in relation to the planning item: -

DA/2016/1143 - Demolition of existing conservatory. Construction of single storey front and side extensions at The Covers 7, Harborough Road, Clipston, Northamptonshire, LE16 9RT

16/112. Comments from the Public - Two members of the public confirmed they were attending in relation to the current vacancy for a Councillor.

16/113. Updates from County and District Councillor: Cllr Irving-Swift updated the Council as follows: -

#### County Council

- The Budget is currently being compiled. The main areas of expenditure are Adult Social Care and Looked-after children. **Cecile to forward a copy of the Budget once finalised.**
- The Council Tax bill for individuals will need to be raised this year to try and reduce the deficit.
- The decision regarding the next phase of the broadband rollout is to be made at the end of January. Cecile advised all members of the community to register their interest in Broadband. **Cecile to inform the Clerk once a decision has been made.**
- No work has begun in relation to the Anaerobic Digester Plant at Wormslade Farm since planning permission was granted.

#### District Council

- The Community Infrastructure Levy is now in place. A proportion (capped at £7000) is payable to the Parish Council in relation to residential development.
- Neighbourhood Plan assistance is available from DDC and ACRE.
- A guidance sheet 'How Planning Works' has been created and is available to download from DDC website to assist members of the public and communities as to the process.
- Parish Councils need to be clear with regards to objections to Planning Applications. Advised to attend in person if a decision reaches committee.

16/114. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016 –It was **RESOLVED** to sign these as a true copy of that meeting.

16/115 Matters arising from the Minutes: -

Co-option of New Councillor – A ballot was held and after the Clerk counted the votes, it was **RESOLVED** to co-opt Paul Hooper to Clipston Parish Council. Thanks was given to the other candidate for their interest and advised to keep in touch for future vacancies and help. **ACTION:** Cllr Hooper to complete DI forms and Code of Conduct forms and pass to Clerk in readiness to join the next meeting.

Dog Waste bin sites - **ACTION: To place on the Agenda for the next meeting.**

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

Speed watch Clipston – The Clerk advised the minimum number of volunteers had not been reached and therefore Clipston was not able to take part.

Neighbourhood Plan meeting update – It was **RESOLVED** to formally appoint the Neighbourhood Development Planning Group to complete the Neighbourhood Plan for Clipston. The next meeting is to be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017 where the boundaries of the Parish will be designated.

Kelmarsh Wind Farm meeting update – Cllr Ward reported that the next meeting is to be held shortly. The terms of reference and set-up are being undertaken. It is necessary to have people involved with skills to draft these and ensure the setup is correct. The Lease agreement is still awaited from Kelmarsh Estate and the Wind Farm developer.

Superfast Broadband – Confirmation of decision date awaited.

16/116 Finance – to include –

a) invoices to pay: -

E-ON (Maintenance O/N/D)	- £142.20
Hitachi (Mower Lease) (SO)	- £199.20
Clipston Village Hall hire (includes 2 NDP meetings)	- £108.00

Bank Balance as at 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017 = £17,478.48.

**ACTION:** Clerk to transfer the sum of £250.20 from the High interest account.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve these payments. **ACTION: Clerk to keep NDP meetings separate from other finances.**

The Precept Form was signed by the Clerk and the Chairman and will be sent to DDC in the sum of £17,000 for 2017/18.

16/117 Planning Applications for: - DA/2016/1168 – Reserved matters application for construction of replacement dwelling at Clipston Grange Farm, Kelmarsh Road, Clipston, Northamptonshire, LE16 9RY – It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment regarding this application.

DA/2016/1171- Construction of workshop and summer house, 5 The Paddocks, Clipston, Northamptonshire, LE16 9US – It was **RESOLVED** to make no comment regarding this application

DA/2016/1143 - Demolition of existing conservatory. Construction of single storey front and side extensions at The Covers 7, Harborough Road, Clipston, Northamptonshire, LE16 9RT-

Cllr Fellowes left the room.

It was **RESOLVED** to offer no objection to the application.

Cllr Fellowes returned to the meeting.

DA/2016/1078 - Change of use of land for siting of temporary accommodation including construction of lake, formation of new vehicular access and associated works, Land opposite The Acacias, Oxendon Road, Clipston, Northamptonshire, LE16 9RP – It was **RESOLVED** to OBJECT to the above application for the following reasons: -

1. It is development in open countryside.
2. It is inconsistent within the context of the village.
3. There is a large road proposed with this development and there are concerns over highway management and the parking of vehicles if the development seeks to attract visitors.
4. The application states it is of benefit to the village, but there is no evidence to support this.
5. The development is at the entrance to the village; concerns over highway issues and the visibility of this within the context of the village.

16/118 Village Maintenance - Overgrown hedgerow leading out of the village towards Market Harborough – **ACTION:** Clerk to chase

Overgrown hedgerow near to 'The Hollies' – **ACTION:** Clerk to chase

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

Street light outside school replacement bulb – Completed

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

A number of potholes on the Naseby Road near The Green – Reported to Street doctor who are monitoring.

Give Way sign on A508 – To be completed by Street doctor.

Accident on A508 junction – **ACTION:** Clerk to check if that area could be gritted.

16/119. Consultations:- Consultation on the Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service Draft Community Protection Plan 2017 -2020 - Noted

Consultation on School Admissions Arrangements for 09/2018 - Oversubscription Criteria and Published Admissions Numbers (PANs) – Clerk reported no change to be made to Clipston Primary School policy.

16/120. Correspondence – Paint means Poo forum – Cllr Weston to attend.

16/121. Any Other Business (for discussion only, no items can become decisions)

- Prince's Countryside Fund now open for rural business grants
- Bungalow still to let in Marecroft: priority given to applicants with a connection to the village.

Meeting Closed 8.23pm

