

## CLIFFSEND PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Present: Councillors Blaydes (Chairman), Francis-Cable, Hellyer, Mrs. Hovenden, Mrs. Lyon and Ms. Searle

Also Present: Roy Wade (Interim Clerk) and 3 residents

#### 121. WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None were received.

The Chairman opened the meeting and explained the safety procedures.

#### 122. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were disclosed.

#### 123. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018 , as amended, be approved and signed by the Chairman.

**Matters arising:** The post of Parish Clerk has been advertised and placed in the Society of Local Clerks publication: Members will be kept advised.

#### 124. REPORTS

(i) **F&GP** The Minutes of the meeting were discussed and approved as a way forward.

(ii) **County Councillors** none were in attendance to report.

Written report from KCC Cllr Messenger

Parkway station update – decision delayed until after the start of the new rail franchise

DCO for Manston airport submitted to Sec of State

£1,000 grant available for the village towards traffic calming measures.

(iii) **District Councillors** – Cllr. Mrs. Rogers reported that the legal agreement for the developer's community contributions for the 3 main planning applications in the village – 2 off Cottington Road + 1 off Canterbury Road West was being drawn up.

(iv) **Community Warden/PCSO** – Tony Gander reported on (a) he had a salt bin for siting at Canterbury Road West, (b) the travellers camping alongside the Manston Airport had been moved on, (c) the problem of motor cyclists believed to be from Minster was being investigated; and (d) the TDC had approved new protocols to deal with the problem of fly tipping dumping.

(v) **Councillors Reports**

Cllr Lyon had reported to TDC the dog waste problem & missing sign in the children's playground area. Also the broken dog waste bag dispenser in that area. This is being investigated.

Cllr Blaydes had attended the TAG on 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar. the discussions included

an update from Vattenfall including a revised environmental report (Cllr Blaydes has copies)

the imminent General Data Protection legislation was discussed

Thanet wide Highway issues

Cliffsend council loss of clerk – this resulted in Roy Wade offering to cover as interim clerk.

**125 PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

(i) The problems caused by drivers using Foads Lane/Foads Hill as a “rat run” to avoid the traffic signals on Canterbury Road West and the research Kent Highways was undertaking to resolve this matter. The Chairman reported that the Parish Council would commit funds to investigate the solutions to the problem.

(ii) Mrs. Fiander reported that keys had been handed in to the Village Shop and Cllr. Francis-Cable would photograph the keys and refer to on the Village web site.

Resident enquired about various damaged road signs, replacement street lights & potholes. He was asked to refer to KCC. He also asked about hardware on the village green - bench refurbishment colour & bollard visibility; the bench has been recently treated, the stone “bollard” is historical.

**126. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**RESOLVED: That the following payments be approved for payment:**

Chq.802	Came & Co	Insurance	648.47		648.47
803	A Blaydes	External hard drive	33.33	6.67	40.00
804	J Hellyer	Purchase of grit bins	736.70	147.70	884.04

**127. CURRENT TOPICS**

(i) **MEADOW – Lease Update** Council was advised of the requirement of the owner of the land and it was agreed that the interim clerk would seek further legal advice from TDC.

(ii) **GDPR** – It was agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting as the Interim Clerk was to attend a seminar on this subject.

(iii) **Roads Traffic Monitor in Foads Lane / Foads Hill etc** – **RESOLVED: That the Parish Council agree to fund the necessary traffic survey to a sum of £600 to establish the number of vehicles, the speed of vehicle and the hours of usage of these roads and its impact on the residents and the Village of Cliffsend.** This information is required before KCC will consider any possible remedial actions and funding. This survey will be additional to the agreed limited automatic traffic speed survey which is currently delayed due to software problems.

(iv) **DEFIBRILLATORS** – It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quotation of in the sum of £283.00 to provide a power supply from the Village Hall for the operation of the defibrillator. Cllr Hovenden questioned the cost of the work. Cllr Hellyer explained that the electrical supply will have to be from a socket near the stage then routed along the outside of the building inside conduit to the defibrillator position on the front of the Hall. This is necessary as the electrician had checked the sockets near the main door and the fuse box. He was concerned about overloading the sockets & unhappy with the wiring in the fuse box.

(v) **Salt Bins** – The Chairman reported that 2 bins had been received and that a further 6bins had been ordered. Provisional sitings for the bins had been agreed and it was agreed that they would be placed into the provisionally agreed positions for 2 weeks to ascertain whether any objections would be received from residents. The Community Warden will also check the positions with KCC. Once the positions are finally settled the Grounds Maintenance Officer will be bolt down & fill the bins.

(vi) **Neighbourhood Plan Working Party** Cllr. Francis-Cable asked that consideration be given to this matter at the next meeting.

(vii) **Beacon – November 2018** Consideration deferred to enable more information to be received.

(viii) **Village in Bloom** Councillor Francis-Cable will discuss with the Council's grounds maintenance officer, Chris Barton, and report to the next meeting.

(ix) **Summer Event** Councillor Francis-Cable to discuss further suggestions made by 2 residents of the Village.

**128. INTERIM CLERK'S REPORT**

No report was submitted.

**129. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

No late correspondence was received.

**130. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Cllr. Hellyer reported upon (i) a tent had been erected in the Meadow. Members indicated that it had been there for several days; (ii) enquired why it took 2 days to cut the grass. Cllr. Ms. Searle responded that it was because two separate sets of equipment are needed for the cutting; and (iii) the defibrillator needs to be monitored on a weekly basis to check that the heater is working; Cllr Francis-Cable agreed to do this.

**131. DATE OF PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

It was agreed to investigate holding the both the Parish Assembly Meeting & Agm on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and possibly to cancel the meeting scheduled for 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Hall availability will be checked with Kay Snow.

Time concluded: 9.10pm