## **CLIFFE AND CLIFFE WOODS PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Meeting held at Cliffe Small Memorial Hall Thursday 06 August 2009

## PRESENT

Councillors K Kentell (Chair), C Fribbins (Vice Chair), L Bush, J Corrigan, M Emblin, R Hunt, J Keates, J Moss, M Smith, J Wenban, L Wicks

Mr G Meeser (Parish Clerk)

The meeting opened at 19:30 hours (7.30 pm).

NO	ITEM	ACTION BY
1.0	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllrs D Cunningham (child ill), J Darwell (other engagements) and G Moore (other engagements). Accepted	
2.0	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None	
3.0	APPROVAL OF MINUTES Minutes of meeting held on 11 July 2009 approved as presented	
4.0	<ul> <li>ADJOURNMENT         Mr Paul Fenney of Cliffe Royals FC attended meeting to discuss proposed Darren Knight Fun Day on Cliffe Recreation Ground on Sunday 30/08/09. (This is first of what is intended to be a bi-annual event). Originally intended as only a charity football match in honour of late Darren Knight, but full charity event now proposed.     </li> <li>Mr Fenney gave brief account of activities proposed at said Charity Event, and was asked to confirm details by email to Clerk.</li> <li>Parish Council supports event in principle, and Cllrs Keates and Smith offered practical help where required. However, view expressed by several Councillors that plans possibly a little too ambitious for %irst time round+ Mr Fenney may care to consider scaling them back to some extent.</li> </ul>	
	Check to be made whether Council's Public Liability Insurance would cover this event, and Mr Fenney to be advised accordingly.	Clerk
5.0	<b>CO-OPTION OF NEW PARISH COUNCILLOR</b> Mr Alan Taylor co-opted to fill vacancy in Cliffe Woods ward. Proposed by Cllr Fribbins, seconded by Cllr Keates. Mr Taylor signed Declaration of Acceptance of Office form, and his signature duly witnessed by Clerk in his capacity as Proper Officer of the Parish Council	
6.0	MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	
(	5.1The Late Lena Kennedy – Heritage Plaque (see July item 5.1.1)See item 9.5 below	
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6.2	The Late Lena Kennedy – Possible Naming of new road in Cliffe Woods "Lena Kennedy Gardens" (See July item 5.1.2) Medway Council has been positive towards idea and will be consulting with bodies such as the Royal Mail and the Fire Service and will also raise matter with Developer provided planning permission is forthcoming).	Clerk
	In meantime, Developer has been written to suggesting the name, but no acknowledgement or reply received to date. Nothing further from Medway Council either . to be pursued	
6.3	<b>CRB Check – Mr Dave Clark, Caretaker</b> (see July item 5.4) See item 8.2 below	
6.4	<b>Revision of Standing Orders</b> (see July item 5.5): See item 9.10 below	
6.5	Noticeboard outside St Helens CE Primary School (see July item 5.6.1) Clerk wrote to Headteacher suggesting affixing of a noticeboard to school fence. Received telephone call in response . school governors not too keen on idea, as notice affixed to fence could be used as climbing aid to scale fence. In any event, type of fence not really suitable for affixing notices.	
	Current noticeboard will now need to removed from school premises. School has offered to remove it on Friday 07/08/09 and deliver it locally. Cllr Keates expressed willingness to store it at Allotments site until decision made on its future location . school's contractors should contact Cllr Keates by telephone and arrange to meet her on site to take delivery of board. Clerk to advise school.	Clerk
	Various options discussed for re-siting, but no decision taken at this stage.	
6.6	Possible Relocation of "School" Noticeboard Outside Scout Hut (see July item 5.6.2) Mr Dave Clark on behalf of Scouts has indicated willingness to have board relocated outside Scout hut. However, he feels that location in the vicinity of Rookery Lodge would be more practical and would be read by more people. This option considered along with others (See item 6.5 above) but no decision taken at this stage.	
6.7	Litter problems on Green and Associated Footpaths in St Helens Estate and on Footpath RS65 (See July items 5.7.1 to 5.7.5 inclusive) Medway Council was duly thanked for their efforts to solve these problems	
6.8	Village Halls Revenue Support Funding: Cliffe Woods Community Association (See July item 5.8.1) Cheque for £2,500.00 (representing first half-yearly support grant) has been duly drawn	
6.9	Village Halls Revenue Support Funding: Cliffe Small Memorial Hall (See July item 5.8.2) No response has yet been received from the Memorial Hall Management Committee. It is thought that the relevant contact (Lorraine Medhurst) is currently on holiday. To be pursued	Cllr Keates
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6.10	<b>Possible new litter bin adjacent to Ball Park</b> (See July item 5.9) Enquiry has been followed up . response still awaited from a named officer in Medway Council <i>Greenspaces</i>	Clerk
6.11	Directional Road Signs to Celebral Palsy Learning Services from Town Road, Cliffe Woods (See July item 5.10) Enquiry has been followed up . acknowledgement received, but no definitive reply to date.	Clerk
6.12	Re-fencing of Children's Playground (where it abuts onto B2000 Church Street) (See July item 5.12) See item 7.3 below	
6.13	Allotments – Rental Demands (See July item 5.13) See item 9.3 below	
6.14	" <b>Playbuilder" Project for Cliffe</b> (see July item 5.17) See item 7.3 below	
6.15	<b>Upgrading of Footpaths RS84 and 84a</b> (see July item 5.19) Clerk has been in contact with PROW Officer re possible date for site meeting, but no communication received for some time. To be pursued	Clerk
6.16	<b>Change of Signatories on Bank Accounts</b> (see July item 5.21) Requisite Natwest form completed by Cllr Smith (additional signatory) and duly signed at this meeting by existing signatories. Process to be taken forward	Clerk
6.17	Ball Court – Raising of Nets (see July item 5.24) Cllr Keates is still investigating possibility	Cllr Keates
6.18	"Parkfield" Track (Up Edge of Recreation Ground) (see July item 5.25) Path has status of Restricted Byway, so installation of gates at either end would be unlawful	
6.19	<b>Playground Safety Inspection</b> (See July item 6.0) Cllr Wenban advised that nothing requires urgent attention at this time. Any items needing medium term attention will be looked at in conjunction with playground improvements (See item 7.3 below)	
6.20	Proposed Dog Control Order – Medway Council (See July item 7.1.3) Medway Council was duly advised that Parish Council has no objections or comments	
6.21	Antisocial Behaviour – Parkside Place (See July item 7.1.4) Relevant Police Inspector and Safer Communities Officer (Medway Council) were advised of problem, and all five shopkeepers on Parkside Parade were written to to ask for their help in tackling the litter problem	
6.22	<b>Cliffe in Bloom Hanging Baskets and Tubs</b> (See July items 8.3.1 and 8.3.2) See item 8.3 below	
6.23	<b>Financial Support to Cliffe Woods Football Club</b> (See July item 8.4) Football Club was duly advised, with regret, that Parish Council unable to assist	
6.24	Sit-on Lawnmower for Caretaker (See July item 8.5) Request made to Mr Jaspar Wright for PCC to consider hiring their % it 3	Clerk

		on+mower to Parish Council on regular basis. Mr Wright acknowledged letter and said request would be passed to PCC and outcome advised in due course. As an alternative, Cllr Keates suggested purchase of & lail mower+ Clerk to discuss with Caretaker	
	6.25	Provision of Changing Rooms "Disguised Container" on Cliffe Recreation Ground (See July item 8.6.3) Cllr Wicks advised that meeting has been arranged with Cliffe Royals FC for Thursday 20/08/09. Report to be given at September meeting	Cllr Wicks
	6.26	Allotments – Standpipes (See July item 9.2.2) Installation completed and cheque for £460 in favour of J Maxwell & Son, duly drawn	
	6.27	Farewell Card To Mr Crispin Davies, KALC (See July item 14.0) Card was duly sent to Mr Davies	
	6.28	Appearance of Buttway for Village Fayre (see July item 16.5) Cllr Keates confirmed that necessary measures were carried out to ensure area was clean and tidy	
	6.29	Parish Plans (see July item16.7) See item 7.2 below	
	6.30	Fence beween Cliffe Woods Recreation Ground and B2000 Town Road (See July item 16.9) Clerk read out email message from Medway Council denying that they have any statutory duty to repair fence. Cllr Wicks to take matter up with author of email (Mr Scott Groves of Greenspace Services)	Cllr Wicks
7.0		SPECIAL REPORTS	
	7.1	<b>Recruitment of New Clerk</b> Cllr Fribbins reported that five firm applications received to date, with quality of candidates seemingly good. Closing date for applications is 22 August 2009. further report to be given at September meeting	Cllr Fribbins
	7.2	Parish Plans No report given as Cllr Cunningham absent from this meeting . to be carried over to September	Cllr Cunnigham
	7.3	Playbuilder Award – Meeting with Medway Council 18/07/09 (Report given by Cllr Fribbins)	
		Medway Council has received <i>Playbuilder</i> grant (targeted at play facilities for 8-13 year old children) from government. Both Cliffe and Cliffe Woods play areas (former owned by Parish Council, later by Medway Council) to be included in this years improvements. (Cllr Wicks played leading role in obtaining Medway Council funding for Parish Council land).Original proposal was to allocate £50,000 to Cliffe and £40,000 to Cliffe Woods, but after discussion it was felt that split should be 50/50 at £45,000 each.	
1		Additional sources of money for Cliffe:	
		<ul> <li>Parish Council budgeted amount of £35,000 (2009/10) for general playground improvements</li> <li>Parish Council budgeted amount of £4,000 (2009/10) for improved fencing</li> <li>Cliffe Children's Committee . expected amount of £2,000 to be raised</li> </ul>	

		<ul> <li>Additional sources of money for Cliffe Woods: <ul> <li>COMMA bid for £5,000 has been successful</li> <li>Parish Council will continue to seek funding as a matter of urgency to support Cliffe Woods scheme with permission from Medway Council</li> </ul> </li> <li>Type of improvements will hopefully include facilities for toddlers as well as older children, at both sites.</li> </ul>	
		There is urgent need to identify other sources of funding for further improvements at later date	
8.0		REPORT: CLERK	
	8.1	Correspondence	
		8.1.1 No: 0908/03 From: Ian Stone, 11 Tennyson Avenue, Cliffe Woods Subject: Copy of letter to CWCA regarding cutting down of encroaching trees	
		8.1.2 No: 0908/04 From: Monster Play Systems Subject: Letter promoting their playground products	
		8.1.3 No: 0908/05 From:Toby Elliott (aged 15) of Cliffe Subject: Request for skate park in Cliffe Writer to be advised that Parish Council supports idea in principle . to be invited to contact ClIrs Keates and/or ClIr Smith so discuss matter in more detail. Proposed by ClIr Fribbins, seconded by ClIr Moss	Clerk
	8.2	<b>CRB Check: Mr Dave Clark, Caretaker</b> Mr Clark has produced CRB Enhanced Criminal Record Certificate (issued with regard to his work with the Scout Association) dated May 2004. Enquiries were made from CRB as to whether such certificates have expiry dates and whether they can be accepted after a five year lapse. CRB advised that there are no expiry dates, and acceptance (or otherwise) at any point is entirely at discretion of employer.	
		Decision: Mr Clark's current certificate to be accepted, and no further CRB checks will be necessary. Proposed by Cllr Fribbins, seconded by Cllr Keates.	
	8.3	<b>Donation to Cliffe in Bloom</b> Clerk advised that he had received no response to his financial request to <i>Cliffe in Bloom</i> (see July 2009 minutes, item 8.3.2).	Clerk
		As the £200 donation already agreed upon (see July 2009 minutes, item 8.3.1) was <u>not</u> dependent on supply of such information, amount of £400 is now due to <i>Cliffe in Bloom</i> (£200 from Parish Council plus £200 already donated by Hanson Aggregates). Proposed by Cllr Fribbins, seconded by Cllr Keates.	
		Cheque for £400 duly prepared and signed at meeting . Clerk to send	
9.0		REPORT: FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES (CIIr Smith)	
	9.1	<b>Monthly Update on Parish Council Financial Situation</b> 2009/10 figures as at 31/07/09 (bank statements reconciled up to 30/06/09):	
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	Opening balance £73,276, Precept £28,000, Income £468, Grants received £4,600, VAT refunds received £237, Revenue expenditure £11,838, Capital expenditure NIL, Grants paid £8,625, VAT paid £839, Balance on hand £85,279	
9.2	Cheque PaymentsThe following cheque payments were approved:#2152G Meeser Salary and expenses, July 2009#2153D Clark Wages and expenses, July 2009#2154HMR&C PAYE deductions, July 2009#2155£ 345.00NALC Conference (Cllr Fribbins)#2156£ 63.12Medway Computer Assistance Ltd Payment to Fasthosts Internet Ltd for hosting Parish Council website#2157£ 327.75Audit Commission . Audit fee 2009#2158£ 422.82Thames Self Storage . rental of storage container, Aug 09 . Jan 10#2160£ 100.00Richard Jones . Delivery of Clarion#2161£ 104.00CW Primary School . Hire of rooms, summer term#2162£3900.00Strood Youth Centre . monies received from ACRK for summer youth activities for Grain, Hoo and Cliffe & Cliffe Woods PCs	
	<ul> <li>#2163 £2500.00 CWCA . Financial support, first half of 2009/10</li> <li>#2164 £ 460.00 J Maxwell &amp; Son . fitting of allotment standpipes</li> <li>#2165 £ 400.00 Cliffe in Bloom . donation toward cost of hanging baskets and tubs (See item 8.3 above)</li> </ul>	
9.3	Allotment Rents Invoices sent out 15/07/09, payment due 15/08/09. 33.6% of amount due so far received	
9.4	<b>Clerk's Salary Adjustment</b> Clerk completed two years' service 30/07/09 and is enitled to annual salary adjutment. His hourly rate of pay to be increased by 1.39% from that date. Proposed by Cllr Moss, seconded by Cllr Bush	
9.5	Late Lena Kennedy – Heritage Plaque Firm in Cranbrook (recommended by Tunbridge Wells Borough Council) can produce 18+plaque cast in aluminium alloy with raised lettering and border for around £200-£250, plus £15 p & p. Expenditure approved from Revenue Reserve, but monies to be	Clerk
	claimed from Rural Liaison Fund if possible. Cllr Moore to be asked if she would be willing to take charge of project in view of her knowledge of, and interest in, heritage matters	Clerk
9.6	<b>Disposal of Lawnmower</b> Relief Caretaker (Mr Michael Johnson) had originally expressed interest in purchasing Parish Council's lawnmower. However, Clerk recently received unofficial notification via Caretaker (Mr Dave Clark) that Mr Johnson no longer interested	
9.7	Purchase of Rubbish Vacuum for Caretaker Purchase recommended by Cllr Keates. Mr Paul Schmoeger of 6 Medway Council to be asked for short loan of one of these items of equipment so that it can be trialled by Parish Council. Proposed by 6	Cllr Keates

	Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Wenban	
9.8	<b>Mileage Allowances for Members Attending Training Courses</b> Following recent enquiry from Cllr Bush, Clerk made enquiries of KALC and Medway Council. Principle of payment of mileage allowances for this purpose generally accepted, and sum of 40p per mile (i.e. maximum that can be claimed without being taxable) provisionally agreed. Any amount paid to be retrospective to last training day attended by Cllrs Bush, Hunt and Moss.	
	However, Head of Elections and Members' Services at Medway Council (Jane Ringham) will confirm amount paid to Medway members on her return from leave shortly, and this to be used as guide for Parish Council.	
	Recommended that in future members will be expected to share transport to such events wherever possible.	
	Clerk to email Jane Ringham to obtain required information, and matter to be formalised at September 2009 meeting.	Clerk
9.9	<b>Football Pitch Rental</b> In view of current lack of changing room facilities at Clifffe Recreation Ground, it is not felt appropriate at this time to increase amount of pitch rental paid by Cliffe Royals FC. Rental to be maintained at 2008/09 levels (£145 per pitch) for current year and bill sent to Club.	Clerk
	Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Wicks	
9.10	<b>Standing Orders - Revision</b> Revised Standing Orders (first draft) have now been completed and the following changes are to take place:	
	9.10.1. To comply with currently accepted usage and practice, all references to % Ghairman+and % ice Chairman+to be amended to read % Ghair+and Vice-Chair+	
	9.10.2 Current clause Qrders for payment of money shall be authorised by resolution of the Council and signed by two members+ to be amended to read Que payments shall be authorised by resolution of the Council and signed by any three of the authorised signatories (one of which should be the Clerk wherever possible). Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Fribbins	
	9.10.3 Current clause ‰bbs and services costing more than £100 require the approval of the full Council in advance. A committee may authorise expenditure up to the sum of £100 for such work as falls within the terms of reference of that committee+limit to be increased from £100 to £250 in each instance	
	Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Fribbins	
	9.10.4 Level at which three quotations required for jobs or services: Amount to be increased from £1,000 to £2,000.	
	Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Wenban	
	9.10.5 Level at which tender process is required: Amount to be increased from £2,000 to £5,000	
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Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Fribbins	
<ul> <li>9.10.6 Current clause ‰ the event of expenditure that needs to be authorised prior to a full council meeting arising as the result of an emergency, the Clerk may authorise expenditure up to £100 or the Clerk together with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman may authorise expenditure up to £500+Following changes to be made: <ul> <li>Emergency authorisation to be arranged between Clerk and Chair/Vice-Chair of FGPC, not Parish Chair/Vice Chair</li> <li>Limits of £100 (Clerk alone) and £500 (Clerk with Chair/Vice-Chair) to be increased to £150 and £750 respectively</li> <li>Additional clause to be inserted: ‰ Clerk is not available for authorisation of emergency expenditure, his/her place may be taken by a Parish Councillor (preferably the Parish Chair or Vice-Chair)+</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Wenban	
9.10.7 New item to be inserted: <u>Non-Budgeted Revenue Expenditure</u> : If expenditure is required for revenue expenditure for which there is no budget, the said expenditure may be funded from Revenue Reserves (up to a maximum of £500) by agreement between the Clerk and the Chair or Vice-Chair of the FGPC+.	
Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Moss	
<ul> <li>9.10.8 New item to be inserted:</li> <li>%<u>Finance and General Purposes Committee</u></li> <li>The FGPC shall meet on a monthly basis, generally on the Tuesday preceding the scheduled Thursday meeting of the Council</li> <li>The FGPC shall have no delegated powers (except as per item below*) and all provisonal decisions reached by the FGPC shall be subsequently ratified by the full Council+</li> </ul>	
Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Moss	
* See item 9.1.9 below	
<ul> <li>9.10.9 New item to be inserted:</li> <li><u>Sexceptional Delegated Powers to FGPC</u></li> <li>In any month in which no meeting of the full Council is scheduled (generally in April each year) the FGPC shall continue to meet as normal on the first Tuesday of that month</li> <li>In such cases the FGPC shall be granted full delegated powers (subject to provisions one and two below) until the next meeting of the FGPC takes place prior to the next scheduled meeting of the full Council (generally one month hence). This is subject to the following provisions:</li> </ul>	
Provision One: A quorum is to be present at the FGPC meeting at which delegated powers are assumed; and ProvisionTwo: The only items permitted to be dealt with by the FGPC under such delegated powers shall be those which in the prior opinion of the Parish Chair and/or Vice-Chair, are of sufficient urgency or importance so as to render impractical their deferment until the next full Council meeting <del>+</del> . 8	

		Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Keates	
	9.11	Standing Orders - General	
		9.11.1 Clerk to prepare second (and hopefully, final) draft of Standing Orders (incorporating changes in items 9.1.1. to 9.1.9 above) for ratification at September 2009 meeting	Clerk
		9.11.2 Chairman thanked Clerk for his efforts in revising Standing Orders	
	9.12	Next FGPC Meeting Tuesday 01 September 2009, Cliffe Woods Primary School (Staff Room) 8pm	FGPC (to note)
10.0		REPORT: ALLOTMENTS, BALL COURT, CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA, RECREATION GROUND/CARETAKER	
	10.1	Allotments	
		10.1.1. General Report No report	
		10.1.2 Waiver of rent in respect of Mr G Simmons Allotment rental charge for 2009/10 in respect of Mr George Simmons of Chancery Road, Cliffe to be waived in recognition of various voluntary work done by Mr Simmons in connection with allotments. Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Bush	
	10.2	Ball Court No report	
	10.3	Children's Play Area See item 7.3 above	
	10.4	<b>Recreation Ground/Caretaker</b> Fire Brigade has reported several small fires being started on Recreation Ground. Mr Michael Johnson (Relief Caretaker) and newly co-opted Councillor Alan Taylor have asked to be allowed to collect the dead wood for their own use	
11.0		REPORT: PLANNING	
	11.1	Planning Applications Proposed comments on following planning applications were approved:	
		11.1.1. MC2009/0924 The Old Rectory, Rectory Road, Cliffe Internal alterations to facilitate conversion of house into two dwelling houses. No objection	
		11.1.2. MC2009/0925 The Old Rectory, Rectory Road, Cliffe Listed Building consent for 11.1.1 above. No objection	
		11.1.3. MC2009/0940 4 Tennyson Avenue, Cliffe Woods Construction of pair of semi-detached dwelligs with associated parking (demolition of existing dwellings). No objection	
	11.2	Next Planning Committee Meeting Thursday 27 August 2009, 5 Englefield Crescent Cliffe Woods, 8pm	Planning Committee (to note)
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12.0		<b>REPORT: FOOTPATHS AND COMMONLAND</b> Clerk advised that footpath RS87 badly littered. To be reported to Medway Council	Clerk
13.0		REPORT: CAR PARKS	
	13.1	<b>Cliffe Woods Car Park 1:</b> Cllr Kentell reported that on meeting days of CLIFARA, car park is heavily occupied by CLIFARA members, to detriment of other users. To be taken up with Chair of CLIFARA	Cllr Kentell
	13.2	<b>Cliffe Woods Car Park 2:</b> A reader of <i>Clarion</i> wrote to Parish Council suggesting that additional disabled parking facilities be provided. To be given consideration when setting 2010/11 budget	Clerk (in due course)
14.0		<b>REPORT: RURAL LIAISON</b> Meeting on 28/07/09 was attended by Cllr Emblin. Notable points as follows:	
		<ul> <li>Rural Housing Needs Survey . Response from Cliffe &amp; Cliffe Woods was one of the lowest in the Medway Rural Area</li> <li>Rural Housing Needs Survey . concerns expressed re impact of development on village life and the countryside</li> <li>Further such surveys due to take place</li> <li>Draft Flood and Water Management Bill . report summarising proposals was presented</li> <li>Upkeep of flood defences is responsibility of whoever originally installed them</li> <li>Local Development Framework . Copy of report submitted to Cabinet on 23/06/09 can be accessed on Medway Council website www.medway.gov.uk</li> <li>Above report lists dates of exhibitions in Medway</li> <li>If Lodge Hill development does not go ahead, sites in Cliffe and Cliffe Woods could be selected for housing development</li> <li>Bretts could be classed as a %and-won aggregates solution+</li> <li>Probable future transport problems in relation to above developments are acknowledged</li> </ul>	
15.0		REPORT: KALC	
	15.1	Access to Website: Clerk provided details of new username and password needed to access members' section of KALC website with effect from 01/09/09	
	15.2	<ul> <li>KALC Publication Parish News:</li> <li>Cllr Fribbins highlighted two notable items in latest issue of Parish News:</li> <li>Parish Councils no longer need to receive accounts of Parochial Charities at Annual Parish meeting (but may continue to do so voluntarily)</li> <li>New statutory minimum wage comes into effect on 01 October 2009</li> </ul>	
16.0		<b>REPORT: OTHER BODIES</b> Cllr Kentell attended an Open Day at RSPB Cliffe Pools on 05/08/09, and also the Cliffe Village Fayre on 18/07/09 to present prizes for the 10	

		Prettiest Front Garden and Best Hanging Basket competitions	
17.0		ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
	17.1	"Report: Clarion and Website": A section for this item to be included in all future agendas	Clerk
	17.2	Ex Parish Councillor Terry Copsey Cllr Keates reported that Terry still very ill in hospital	
	17.3	<b>Expressions of Thanks</b> Clerk read out message of thanks for Parish Council's support from Mrs Gill Moore and Mrs Joan Darwell on behalf of organisers of Cliffe Village Fayre, Art Exhibition and North Kent Walking Festival. Thanks also offered (a) on behalf of RSPB for Parish Council support at two recent events; (b) to Bretts for erecting and dismantling Village Fayre marquee; and (c) to <i>Cliffe in Bloom</i> for judging %Brettiest Front Garden+and %Best Hanging Basket+ competitions.	

The meeting closed at 21.35 hours (9.35 pm)

gm 11/08/09