

CLIPSTON PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 6th January 2016. **CLIPSTON VILLAGE HALL, 7.30pm**

Minutes taken by Felicity Ryan, Clerk/RFO.

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Present : Councillors. R Burnham (Chairman), A Fellowes, A Price, H Weston, P Booker, J Wills.

Attendees : No members of the public were present.

1. Apologies : - C Kemsley-Pein, M Ward

2. Declarations of Interests: - None declared.

3. Comments from the public : - None

4. Updates from District and County Councillors :- None received.

5. Previous Minutes :- It was proposed and seconded the minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd December 2015 be approved and signed. A correction was made in relation to paragraph 5 to read 'October 2015' as opposed to 'October 2014' and in relation to paragraph 2 of section 6 in relation to the Woodland Trust Fields to read 'on the Kelmarsh Road', as opposed to 'towards Sibbertoft'.

6. Matters Arising :- None

7. Finance :-

Finance – to include -

a) invoices to pay. It was proposed and seconded that the following payments be made :-

Clipston Village Hall hire July-Dec15	£72.00
EON streetlight maintenance O/N/D	£142.20

ACTION : Clerk to transfer £214.20 from High Interest account to current account.

b) Discussion of Budget and Precept setting

RESOLVED : To increase the Precept to £12,000. To transfer over an amount of £1720 if needed from reserves in line with the Budget. No less than half the precept amount should be retained as contingency. **ACTION :** Clerk to request the Precept of £12000 for 2016/2017.

An e mail had been received from NCALC regarding the option for Parish Councils to opt out of current arrangements and to conduct their own Audit.

RESOLVED : The Council will remain opted-in to the Sector Led Body arrangements for the procurement of external audit.

8. Planning Applications : - None received.

9. Any other Planning matters :-

Discussion regarding development of a Neighbourhood Plan – Councillor Price had conducted some research regarding this. Consideration to be given in relation to the work involved and the benefits. **ACTION :** Clerk to include on Agenda for next meeting.

Wormslade Farm – No planning application has been submitted. Clerk has registered interest with NCC and developer to be kept informed.

10. Village Maintenance :- Kelmarsh Road (just out of the village) – Highway monitoring

Harborough Road – (corner of Sibbertoft Road) - Highway monitoring

Sibbertoft/Marston Trussell Crossroads – Highway monitoring

Overgrown hedgerow leading out of the village towards Market Harborough – To be completed by NCC

Weskers Close – footpath condition to be completed by NCC – Clerk to report that outside 16 Weskers Close has not been completed

Pot Hole outside 28 Harborough Road – Clerk to chase

Leaves need sweeping at the Jitty – Clerk to chase.

Street light outside school has broken and has been reported – Clerk to chase

Rubbish bin outside school missing – Clerk to contact the Primary School regarding this

Street light out in Church Lane – Clerk to report

Four blocked drains in the Village (High Street) - Clerk to report

Village Signs to be cleaned – To be carried out by Councillors to see if further cleaning is needed.

11. Consultations:- Minerals and Waste Local Plan update – Draft plan for Consultation by Northamptonshire County Council – Noted

12. Correspondence – NCALC update – Noted

- Police Surgery to be held 30th January 2015 – Location TBC
- Complaints re parking on Naseby Road – PCSO had informed us that the developers had again been spoken to regarding the parking on footpaths and verges
- Police Commissioner's Awards – Noted
- Open Space Survey by DDC – To be completed
- Cycling Event - 3rd April 2016
- Training at DDC regarding Grants for disabilities
- Historic Church Surgeries – details passed to Church representatives

13. AOB

- Councillor Burnham asked if the Parish Council were eligible for the Transparency Fund.
ACTION : Clerk to look into and report back.
- Thanks was given to Councillor Weston and Councillor Wills for their work on the Christmas Tree Festival and to Councillor Wills and Councillor Burnham for the Tree on the Green event.

Meeting Closed 7.55pm

Date of next meeting : - 3rd February 2015, 7.30pm Clipston Village Hall