

CLUN with CHAPEL LAWN PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Hazelhurst Close Community Centre Clun on Thursday 5th November 2009 at 7.30pm. (To be approved at the meeting to be held on Thursday 3rd December 2009).

1. Present:

Cllr C Pendry (Chairman)

Cllrs J Limond, K Terry, R Bright, M Williamson, C McCormack and M K Smith

Members of the public were present.

2. Apologies for absence:

Apologies were received Cllr K Smith and T Ely-Corbett

3. Declarations of interest:

Nil

4. Public Session:

a) A member of the public raised a query concerning the Notice Board at Chapel lawn Village Hall the details of which will be obtained.

b) A member of the public enquired if there was a list available of local businesses and if this should be maintained by the parish council this would be considered at the next meeting

5. To confirm and accept the Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The Parish Council resolved that the minutes of the meetings held on the 1st October 2009 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

The Chairman reported that he was making enquiries concerning the positioning of a memorial seat which was originally to be located by Clun Bridge.

7. Highway Items:

a) Clun Bridge – The Clerk had made the request to Shropshire Council for the cost of repairs undertaken at the bridge during the last five years, it was reported that the bridge had again been damaged.

Shropshire Council had considered the response made by the Parish Council in respect of traffic management issues and would provide a more detailed response following further investigations.

b) Street lights – The Clerk reported that the lights had been replaced in Llwyn Road, Vicarage Road and Knighton road junction with Church Bank at a cost to the parish council of £2,453. All other street light issues had now been resolved.

c) Other highway items:

i) The Clerk reported that Shropshire Council were to undertake the repairs to the road surface Bridge Street/Church Street Clun, the dip in the road at the junction Clun Bridge and had requested Severn Trent Water to reinstate road surface at Castle Street opposite Wallace Road Clun

ii) The Clerk report to Shropshire Council blocked drains in the Square Clun, the slippery road surface at Hodre Bank and the leaves on the roadway by Hobarris Cottage.

iii) There was some discussion concerning the parking of vehicles by Turnpike Meadow which were causing an obstruction this was a matter that would have to be referred to the highway authority.

iv) Shropshire Council had issued an Urban and Rural Roads Speed Limit Policy details will be placed on the Parish Councils website.

8. Amenity Items:

a) Town Hall – Estimates received in respect of the redecoration of the museum would be considered under confidential items at the next meeting.

b) Youth Club – There had been an expression of interest in the formation of a Youth Club in Clun Mr J Limond agreed to help facilitate as the Parish Council representative.

c) Christmas Lights – It was proposed by Cllr K Terry and seconded by Mrs C McCormack and agreed by the Parish Council to incur costs of £500 for the provision of new plugs adaptors to comply with Health and Safety requirements. Cllr B Williamson abstained.

9. Planning:

The Parish Council considered the following planning applications:

- a) 09/02762/Full – Erection of extension to dwelling – Step A side Burlow Clun – No Objection
 - b) 09/02957/TCA – Removal of tree – 4 The Square Clun – No Objection
 - c) 09/03037/TCA – To fell five apple trees etc. – Trinity Hospital Clun – No Objection.
- The Clerk referred to the Scheme of Delegation approved by Shropshire Council and the Practice paper on Material Considerations in respect of Planning applications details of which are on the Parish Council website.

10. Finances:

- a) Parish Council bank balances:
Community/Business Accounts £17,749 at the 29th October 2009
- b) The following accounts were approved for payment:
 - Craven Arms Design and Print – Parish Plan - £1,185.00
 - Mazars – Audit Fee - £460
 - A Wallace – Grass Cutting - £40.00
 - N power – Street Lighting Energy - £295.20
 - D G Gardening – Cemetery - £555.00
 - Clun Chronicle – Subscription - £10.50
 - Eon – Street Lighting Repairs - £2,820.95
- c) The Clerk reported that the Final Accounts for the Year 2008/2009 had been certified by the external auditors Mazars.
- d) The Clerk would produce for the meeting a draft budget in respect of the financial year 2010/2011 which would need to include an adequate provision for future election costs.

11. Parish Plan:

There was some discussion on the parish plan which was formerly accepted by the Parish Council from which the Clerk would now produce an appropriate action plan. The Parish Council will consider the action plan and determine appropriate priorities and targets for achieving items within the Plan some of which will be dependent on other organisations.

12. Report from outside Organisation:

The Parish Council will be represented by the Chairman at the Six Market Towns Partnership meeting to be held on Thursday 19th November 2009 at Craven Arms Community Centre 7.30pm.

The annual meeting of the Shropshire Association of Parish and Town Councils will be held on the 5th December 2009 at the Shirehall Shrewsbury to which the Parish Council can send a representative.

13. Other Items:

The Clerk had received the resignation of Mrs J Devaney, the Chairman and Parish Council paid tribute to the work that she had been carried out as a Parish Councillor the Clerk had published the required Notice of Election for the vacancy.

14. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on the Thursday 3rd December 2009 at Chapel Lawn Village Hall which will commence at 7.30 pm.

Chairman