

CLUN with CHAPEL LAWN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Hazelhurst Community Centre Clun, on 6th September 2007 at 7.30 p.m.

In attendance Chairman Cllr C Pendry, Cllrs. J Limond, M Williamson, S Sherring, N Appleton Fox, C Moir, B Weaver, J Devaney, S Sherring and K Smith. Nine members of the public were also in attendance.

Mr John Ward, Local Council Development Officer from Shropshire Association of Local Councils gave a presentation to the meeting on "Becoming a Quality Council". Mr Ward was thanked and informed that the council would include the matter on the next agenda for a full discussion and decision on whether they would proceed with accreditation.

1. Public participation.

Mr Peter James spoke on item 13, Application to delete Llwyn Lane footpath. He asked the council not to support the application. Mrs J Edwards spoke on this issue and also asked for the council not to support the request for deletion. A letter had been received from Mr Jamieson also asking that deletion be rejected. In view of the amount of public present with an interest in item 13c Cllr Pendry proposed that the council discuss Item 13c at this point in the meeting. All councillors were in favour.

After a short discussion it was proposed by Cllr Moir, that the application to delete a public footpath in Llwyn Lane should not be supported. All were in favour

Resolved

County Councillor Nigel Hartin informed the meeting that he had also made a representation opposing the deletion.

Five members of the public then left the meeting

Mr Colin Kelcey and Mr Reg Maund outlined their concerns regarding speeding traffic particularly in Knighton Road and Church Street with the close proximity to the school being of particular concern.

It was proposed by Cllr Weaver that item 7d be discussed at this point. With regard to the Village Speed Limits consultation document which had been circulated around councillors it was noted whilst they welcomed this consultation the concerns raised by Mr Kelcey and Mr Maund should be addressed and after discussion it was agreed that there were several problem points in the centre of Clun that could be improved. It was also suggested that as this was the route to school the head teacher should also be approached regarding the safety issues caused by the speeding cars. The clerk suggested that in the first instance Mr Glyn Shaw SCC Senior Traffic Engineer be invited to Clun to investigate and discuss the various problems and this was agreed. County Councillor N Hartin gave his opinion on the matter.

Three members of the public left the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr M K Smith

3 To approve and adopt Model Code of Conduct 2007

Cllr Bright proposed these be adopted. All were in favour.

Resolved

The clerk informed councillors that the order of the agenda would be changed to take into account the necessity of declaring interests before the public session. Standing orders would also be required to be amended.

4 Declarations of interest

Declarations of Personal Interest. Cllr R Bright 6a,7b,7c

Declarations of Prejudicial Interest. Cllr Bright 6a,7b,7c Cllr Limond 7c

5 To confirm and accept the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2007 and Planning meeting held on 2 August 2007

Cllr Williamson proposed these be approved All were in favour
Resolved

6 Continued Business from the last meeting

a) Town Hall repairs – Update on present position

It was noted that the ceiling had still not been repaired. Only one quote had been received for the interior work. Preliminary enquiries made by the clerk appeared to show that the council would not be eligible for a grant from English Heritage. Further enquiries would be made to see if there were other possible grant sources. Marches Conservation had provided a price for the installation of monitors. A decision on whether to proceed with them would be addressed at a later meeting when the ceiling had been finished.

7 Highway issues

County Council Hartin gave information on the proposed new signage for Clun Bridge. Councillors agreed to accept the draft proposals but felt that more improvements were still needed.

a. Any highway issues of concern in the parish that need reporting

The hedge from the surgery to the Green was very overgrown and had been reported to Highways and the landowner had also been approached.

b. Update on proposed felling of tree in Newcastle Road. Nothing to report

c. Highway Maintenance Plan 2007/8. This was to be circulated to councillors.

e. Clun Bridge Closure for repairs. Council were informed on the date for the intended repairs

8 Street lighting.

a. To note any out of order street lights. None

b. Agreement for unmetered connections. It was agreed this agreement should be signed.

c. Information on adoption of street lights by the County Council. Details of the procedure were outlined to council and the clerk was asked to obtain a quote from Prysmian for the required update.

9 Planning

Applications for discussion

Guilden Down – Erection of agricultural building

Land at Pentre Farm - Erection of agricultural building

There were no objections.

Applications approved were noted.

Castledene Newcastle Road - Alterations to access and driveway

Crown House, Church Street – Replacement front door, Listed Building Consent

6 Church Street – felling of Silver Birch

20 Ford St – extension to dwelling

Wax Hall – Erection of Agricultural building

10 Finances

a. To note bank account balances

Treasurers Account	0.06
Money manager Account	10526.31
ROWEC account	604.04

b. Outstanding bills for payment

P J Smith Salary and Expenses (Aug)	£321.24
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A Wallace	£ 30.00
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Hacker Young Accountants	£158.63
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Office Express	£ 39.20
Parish Plan expenses	
C Pendry expenses for Clun Carnival exhibit	£9.40

Proposed by Cllr Weaver that these be paid. All were in favour

c. Notification of payments made during recess

P J Smith Salary and expenses (July)	£316.98
R A Goodwin (Town Hall beam)	£528.75
N Power	£182.32

These were noted

11 Parish Plan

An update on progress was given to the meeting.

12 Six Towns Initiative

The Chairman, Cllr Limond and the clerk attended the last meeting and a brief report was given to council.

13 Rights of Way issues

- a. Footpath 46 (Part) maintenance work update The clerk reported that the work had now been done.
- b. Countryside Access Strategy Draft – for consultation. This would be circulated around councillors and would be included on the next agenda.
- d. Damaged handrail along footpath to Memorial Hall at Newport Street end. The clerk was asked to obtain quotes for this work. It was proposed by Cllr Bright that the clerk should accept the lowest quote and authorise the work as soon as possible.

Resolved

14 Repairs to Foul Vents.

Severn Trent had informed the clerk that the company who were to do the work had gone into liquidation and the work was now to be re-tendered.

15 Flooding in Clun – Discussion

Chairman advised council of the compensation package available. Cllr Williamson suggested that it would be an idea to have a list of people who could be called on to help in an emergency. The clerk would contact the Emergency Planning department at SCC to see what was already in place. Two councillors who were absent had relayed ideas to the chairman which he was looking into and he would report back to council of any developments.

16 Enhancements to rural bus services – stakeholder consultation.

Council were advised of the proposals.

17 Correspondence

A large amount of correspondence was noted.

West Midlands Ambulance Service Consultation on proposals for reconfiguration

Fire and Rescue Stakeholder forum

SSDC

Compilation of 2007/8 register

Flood Relief fund

Play chest grant scheme

Licensing Act 2002 Policy Review

Communications working group (update from CP)

Standards Committee
SS Arts Advisory Group
SCC

Local Meeting 8 October 2007 Agenda items requested
Friends of Teme Valley Youth Project request for funding
Commission for Patient and Public Involvement in Health – volunteers requested to join forum
SALC Details of training sessions
One council for Shropshire, Information event for local Councils 8 September to discuss the future implications on local Councils
Walking for life leaflet launch
It was proposed by Cllr Pendry that the press be excluded for the following item, all were in favour
Resolved

18 Review of Town Grass Cutting contract

It was agreed that Mr A Wallace be paid the hourly rate requested

19 Any other business for next month's agenda

Chapel Lawn kitchen update and request for financial aid
Use of Clun Bridge car park by visitors
Update of Premises Licence

20 To confirm the date and place of next Parish Council Meeting

4 October at Hazelhurst Community Room
The meeting closed at 9.35pm

.....Chairman

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