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CLUN with CHAPEL LAWN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Hazelhurst Community Room on Thursday, 22 March 2007 at 7.30 p.m.

The Chairman welcomed PC Jon Summerfield from Bishops Castle Police; he was accompanied by the new Community Support Officer Ross O'Neil. PC Summerfield gave an interesting presentation on local policing. Councillors found the talk informative and thanked PC Summerfield and Mr O'Neil for attending.

**1. Before the start of the meeting the Chairman invited any comments or questions from the three members of the public who were present.**

None

**In attendance:** Councillors Mrs B Vesty, Chairman, Mrs S J Williams, Mrs V. Sherring, S Sherring, Mrs J Devaney, C. Pendry, N Appleton Fox, R Bright, M J K Smith, Mrs S Smith and S Blood and K Terry.

County Councillor N Hartin and District Councillor M Reynolds were in attendance

**2. Apologies for absence.** None

**3. Declarations of interest.**

*In accordance with Parish Councils (Model code of conduct) order 2002 issued under the Local Government Act 2000. The following were declared.*

Declarations of Personal interest: None

Declarations of Prejudicial Interest: Cllr J Devaney 5a, and Cllr Williams 5a, 6a, 6b, R Bright 6a.

Councillors reserved the right to declare during the meeting if it became necessary. The declarations would be listed in the minutes as per the declarations of interest book.

**4. Approval of minutes of the meeting of 22 February 2007**

Proposed by Cllr Williams that the minutes be approved.

*Minute 06-07-53 it was resolved to approve these minutes*

**5. Continued business.**

a)Town Hall Roof repairs

Cllrs Devaney and Williams left the meeting.

The clerk informed the meeting that the advice of the Conservation Officer had at last been received and this was read to the meeting. He had agreed that the proposal of Mr Salmon and Mr Grimes to repair the ceiling would be acceptable even though it was not in line with his original specification. A structural engineer from English Heritage had visited on 26 February and inspected the Town Hall roof. A copy of the report had been circulated. He noted that the builder, Mr Goodwin had done well in stopping the leaks. However, he had identified damage to the collar beams at the foot of the cupola. He had suggested three ways of dealing with the problem and councillors were of the opinion that the option that caused the least disruption should be used, although the council's surveyor's advice would be sought. The cover in front of the fireplace was to be removed by Graham Dudley and this would allow more air circulation. It was obvious that the collar beam needed repairing before the ceiling was restored. After a discussion on the report and advice from Colin Richards the following resolution was proposed by Cllr Pendry.

That the proposal to repair the ceiling made by Mr Salmon and Mr Grimes be accepted. Mr Barrie Morgan Marches Conservation be asked to prepare a specification for the repair to the collar beam and in addition a specification be drawn up for all the other work identified as being required at the Town Hall and then builders estimates would be obtained. When the costings were received then the possibility of grant aid would be investigated. It was also proposed that Marches Conservation oversee all future building work and also provide a quote for installing an Avanguard monitoring system on the cracks on the south wall. All were in favour of these proposals.

*Minute 06-07-54 Resolved*

Cllrs Devaney and Williams returned to the meeting.

**6. Premises Licence Applications**

The application form from Clun Carnival committee had not been received.

Churches Together were arranging Easter Celebrations that involved processions but after discussions with the Licensing Authority and police it was noted that if the procession was on the footpath only closures were not required.

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### 7. Cemetery Matters.

a) Tree Inspection. Reg Maund had agreed to attend to this.

b) Review of cemetery charges. Clerk informed the meeting that in the past the Burial Clerk had charged the same burial charge as the church. It was agreed that this policy should continue. The charge for 2007 was £168.00 and they are reviewed annually.

Minute 06-07-55 Resolved

c) Damaged roadside wall. There were some loose stones in the cemetery wall. Clerk would obtain quotes for this work. Cllr M Smith asked that the matter of repainting the railings be considered at the next meeting.

### 8. Street Lighting.

There were no street lights reported as out of order. The footpath lights to the Memorial Hall were still out of order and the clerk would contact Mr Powter.

The County Council had agreed to provide identification labels for the street light columns.

### 9. Highways Matters.

a) Update of traffic regulations – Hospital Lane Clun. The meeting was adjourned for Councillor N Hartin to give an update on this matter. Apparently if the Parish Council had no objection the county council were now prepared not to sign the roads but it should be understood that the lack of a 30 mph sign meant that there would theoretically be a 60mph speed limit. Council had made it quite clear in correspondence to the County Council that they did not wish to have any signs along this road and they again confirmed this.

b) Cllr Terry informed the meeting that he had heard that Wheelbarrow Bridge was to be demolished and rebuilt which would involve road closures. The Menutton road would come into use during the closures and needed work done. Clerk informed council that the problem with the road had been reported to Highways and was due to be looked at during the forthcoming annual inspection. A resident had reported that a load of building materials were outside the Buffalo and were causing parking problems at the top of Buffalo Lane. There was discussion to who this area belonged to either highways or the land owner. Cllr Pendry would make enquiries as to whom it belonged to and try to arrange removal.

c) All matters reported to Highways were receiving attention and the annual inspection had started. The damaged wall in Hospital lane apparently belonged to South Shropshire Housing and they were evidently going to repair the wall.

d) Council's displeasure regarding the marking in the square had been acknowledged by the Highways with an apology. The intended closure of Clun Bridge for minor repairs was now cancelled as the repairs were done without the need for closure.

### 10. Planning

Applications for discussion

The Old Vicarage – Internal removal of stud wall - no objection

Pentre Hodre House – Erection of domestic garage, oil store and kennel – no objection

Hurst Oak – Erection of a replacement dwelling. After discussion it was decided to comment that the Council felt that the design was not in keeping with the surrounding properties and area.

#### Applications approved

Bryncambric Farm \_ Agricultural workers dwelling

PC Summerfield and Mr O'Neil left the meeting.

### 11. Finances

Bank Balances

Account balances as at 22 March 2007 are as follows:

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Treasurers Account    | 31.90   |
| Money manager Account | 7083.78 |
| COIF Money Master     | 176.09  |
| ROWEC account         | 629.21  |

#### **Bills due for payment as at 22 March 2007**

|   |         |          |
|---|---------|----------|
| Clerks Salary                                 | £ 60.64 | £ 540.42 |
| Clun Town Trust (electricity for xmas lights) |         | £ 151.95 |
| Airbourne                                     |         | £ 528.75 |
| Office Express                                |         | £ 27.52  |
| Clifford Gough                                |         | £ 25.00  |
| SSDC Rates                                    |         | £ 16.55  |
| Sebunctious Promotions                        |         | £ 150.00 |

Minute 06-07-56 Proposed by Cllr J Devaney and resolved that the bills should be paid.

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## **12. Parish Plan**

The steering committee had met and the grant application had been dealt with. The parish council were expected to contribute 5% towards the project. Cllr Pendry proposed that this funding should be provided a total of £250.00.

Minute 06-07-57 resolved

## **13. Correspondence**

Wayne Davies had written to the council requesting support for a Potential Planning Application under the heading of a Local Needs dwelling. Mr Davies was present at the meeting. Council agreed to provide a letter to support this potential application in principle.

Waterloo to the Hurst Claim for footpath – One copy of the Evidence statements had been provided by the County Council for circulation to the landowner concerned

Parish Council Elections. Nomination packs were provided for those councillors who intended standing for re-election.

Other correspondence was noted.

SSDC Local Development Framework - submission – copies for circulation  
Standards Committee

Calor Village of the Year Competition details

Affordable Housing Solutions and statement of Community Involvement – Council were given details of the statement and how to obtain their own copy.

## **14. Any business for next month's agenda**

Cemetery railings refurbishment

## **15. Annual Parish Meeting**

The details were confirmed as 19 April 2007, 7.30 at Clun Memorial Hall.

## **16. To confirm the date of the next meeting.**

26 April 2007 at Hazelhurst Community Room.

Cllr Appleton Fox proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring chairman Cllr Mrs Vestry who would be unavailable to attend the next and final meeting of her term of office. She in return thanked councillors for their continued support over the last four years.

Meeting closed at 9.00p.m.