

CLUN with CHAPEL LAWN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Hazelhurst Community Room on Thursday, 26 April 2007 at 7.30 p.m.

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

Peter James informed the meeting that if necessary he could contribute information on item 12.

**In attendance:** Councillors M J K Smith , Chairman for the meeting, Mrs S J Williams, Mrs V. Sherring, S Sherring, Mrs J Devaney, N Appleton Fox, R Bright,, Mrs S Smith and K Terry.

**2. Apologies for absence.** Cllrs Mrs B Vesty, C. Pendry and S Blood

**3. Declarations of interest.**

Declarations of Personal interest: Cllr S Smith 10c, Cllr V Sherring 10c, Cllr Appleton Fox 10d.

Declarations of Prejudicial Interest: Cllr J Devaney 10c, and Cllr Williams 5a.

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

Proposed by Cllr S Smith that the minutes be approved with one alteration.

*Minute 06-07-58 it was resolved to approve these minutes*

**5. Continued business.**

Cllr Williams left the meeting

a)Town Hall Roof repairs

The clerk informed the meeting that Marches Conservation had prepared a specification for the repair to the roof and this had been sent out to five contractors, closure date was 14 May so it was hoped that a decision on the repair could be made at the next meeting. Clerk informed the meeting that the Town Hall clock was incorrect, two attempts to remedy this in the prescribed way had failed but it was agreed to wait until after the roof repair had been done before considering calling in the clock repairers.

Cllr Williams returned to the meeting.

**6. Cemetery Matters.**

a) Tree Inspection. Reg Maund had given a verbal report to the clerk. It was his opinion there were no trees that presented any safety risk but he thought that some could benefit from pruning. It was agreed to consider this later in the year.

b) Damaged roadside wall. After inspection it appeared that there were only a small amount needing repair so the clerk had asked Graham Dudley to deal with the matter, he had already done so.

c) Refurbishment of railings. After discussion it was decided this matter could be left until spring 2008.

**7. Street Lighting.**

The light in Newport Street at the Ford street junction was reported as out of order

Identification labels for the street light columns. SCC confirmed these were in hand but could be some weeks yet.

**8. Highways Matters.**

a) Update of traffic regulations – Hospital Lane Clun. Council agreed that they were satisfied with the update given at the last meeting by County Councillor N Hartin.

b) Any highways issues of concern in the parish. Cllr Terry asked if the clerk had written to the Council regarding the Menutton Road. This had been done and apparently the road had been examined.

c) All matters reported to Highways were receiving attention. With regard to the parking problems at the top of Buffalo Lane Cllr Pendry had investigated this complaint and apparently the materials were the property of the builder. Cllr M Smith informed the meeting, that he had found out that the Satellite Navigation system, Tom-Tom, sent visitors to Clun via Kidd Lane

**9. Planning**

Applications for discussion

3 Bicton – Extension and domestic garage /workshop - No objection

Applications approved

Old Stone Cottage 4 Enfield Street – window, minidish, etc

Riverside Cottage, Bicton – Extension, garage and access alterations

Applications Refused

Land at Mardu for Mobile home

## 10. Finances

### a) Bank Balances

Account balances as at 15 April 2007 are as follows:

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

### b) Bills due for payment as at 26 April 2007

Clerks Salary	£ 254.40	
Expenses	£ 92.91	£ 347.31
Office Express		£ 25.04
PCC AVG internet security		£ 47.00
SALC subscription		£ 266.00
Information Commissioners		£ 35.00
NPower		£ 180.31
Clun Memorial Hall		£ 15.00
Allianz Cornhill		£ 1799.59

*Minute 06-07-59 Proposed by Cllr K Terry and resolved that the bills should be paid.*

Cllrs Williams and Devaney left the meeting.

c) Consideration of requests for financial assistance with grass cutting from Clun Memorial Hall, St Georges Church, and Chapel Lawn Church. After considerable discussion it was decided that until the cost of the repair work on the Town Hall Roof was known council could not commit to a decision. It was proposed by Cllr S Smith that the matter be reviewed when the Town Hall costs were known. All were in favour.

*Minute 06-07-60 Resolved*

Cllrs Williams and Devaney returned to the meeting.

d) Appointment of Internal Auditor. It was proposed by Cllr Williams that Mr N Rand be re-appointed

*Minute 06-07-61 Resolved*

## 11. Parish Plan

The meeting was adjourned for Mr K Smith a member of the steering committee to give an up-date report.

## 12. Rights of Way matters

The meeting was adjourned for Peter James to give details of this matter.

Clun Footpath 046 (part) It appeared that some access problems had arisen but were now resolved and the landowners had agreed to S.C.C. Access team installing four kissing gates to replace the stiles, work to be done within two months. Peter James requested that the Parish Council write to S.C.C. requesting that the gates be installed as soon as possible. It was proposed by Cllr Bright that a letter should be written.

*Minute 06-07-62 Resolved*

## 13. Correspondence

Dept of Communities & Local Government Revised Model Code of Conduct

The new Code of Conduct comes into force in May and will need to be adopted within 6 months.

It was agreed that Wheelbarrow Bridge possible weight restriction and Craven Arms Action Plan Consultation draft were to be included on the next agenda.

Other correspondence was noted.

Powys Local Health Board Information Workshops	
SCC	Road Closure Vicarage Road
	Lets Talk – Local meetings autumn 2007
	Audit Commission Appointment of External Auditor
SALC	Assorted information
Postwatch	Post office closures
CCLA	COIF Annual Report
	Standards Committee

S Shrops Tourist Assoc Notice of AGM  
Affordable Housing Officer details of contact

**CPC679**

**14. Any other business for next agenda.**

As already discussed.

**15. To confirm the date of the next meeting.**

Annual Parish Council Meeting 15 May 2007 at Hazelhurst Community Room. Cllr M Smith gave his apologies for the next meeting. There would be a training session for new councillors prior to this meeting.

There were no matters raised at the Annual Parish Meeting that required inclusion on the agenda.

Cllr M Smith gave a vote of thanks to all retiring councillors.

Meeting closed at 8.35p.m.