

CLUN with CHAPEL LAWN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Hazelhurst Community Room on Thursday, 26 October 2006 at 7.30 p.m.

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

There were none.

In attendance: Councillors Mrs B Vesty, Mrs S J Williams, R Bright, Mrs V Sherring, M J K Smith, Mrs J Devaney, C. Pendry, S Blood and K Terry and District Councillor M Reynolds

2. Apologies for absence. Cllrs S. Sherring, Mrs S Smith's apologies were accepted

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: Cllr Bright

Declarations of Prejudicial Interest: Cllr Bright Cllr Williams 5a,

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 28 September 2006

Proposed by Cllr K Terry that the minutes be approved.

Minute 06-07-23 it was resolved to approve these minutes.

5. Continued business.

Cllr Williams left the meeting

a) Town Hall repairs. The clerk had requested several quotes from specialist roofing builders but to date and despite reminders had not received any replies.

Cllr Williams returned to the meeting

6/7. Cemetery Matters.

Clifford Gough had now dealt with all the repairs they had been instructed to do by families and that just left the few memorials that had not been claimed. Bernard Owen had laid flat most of these but a few required specialist assistance to lower them safely. Clerk was instructed to ask Clifford Gough to do this and the council would pay the cost of the laying down. Brendan Day had still not given a date for his visit.

8. Street Lighting.

Clerk gave a report of the lights that had been repaired. It also appeared that the light that had been knocked by a car in Newport Street had not been repaired even though Prysmian had assured the clerk it had been replaced. The clerk would investigate this.

A letter requesting confirmation of an unmetered supply inventory had been received from E.ON (Central Networks) and Council were asked to provide any updates to the inventory. The information on the inventory showed that there were 29 lights but the list and map obtained from Prysmian showed 36.

After discussion it was agreed that the clerk would check the map, inventory and lights to get a definitive list. It was also suggested that for ease of reporting a fault all lights should be allocated a number and both Prysmian and E.ON be advised of the system.

A request had been received for an additional light in Vicarage Road. It was suggested that all the local residents should be consulted and clerk was authorised to arrange this and also obtain a quote for a new light. The matter would then be decided when all the information had been received.

9. Highways Matters.

a) Update of traffic regulations – Hospital Lane Clun. Nothing to report at present.

b) Subsidence problems at Upper Trevorwood had been reported and clerk was still awaiting a reply.

c) Complaints about excess water on Vicarage Road had been made to the Highways department and they had indicated that the matter would be dealt with.

d) Other highway problems were reported. The drains in the town were overflowing particularly the one outside the Town Hall. It was believed that the problem was the outlet pipe at the drain outside Clun Stores. Also a large pot hole in Bridge Street needed attention. Clerk would notify Highways.

10. Planning

Applications for discussion

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Menutton Farm Chapel lawn - Erection of 12m radio broadband monopole attached to existing barn

Vron Farm Chapel lawn - Erection of 5m radio broadband monopole stub

Belmont Farm Hand Causeway – erection of 5.4m slim lined radio broadband stub

Clunside Villa High St Clun – extension to dwelling

22 Newport Street Lopping of a black poplar

There were no objections to any of the planning applications although council wished to make the observation that it was hoped that the broadband poles would not encourage requests for further larger masts. Clerk asked to make this comment to the planning authority.

Applications approved

Soudley Wood Communication Mast, Installation of transmission dishes

11. Finance

Account balances as at 25 October 2006 are as follows:

Treasurers Account	3806.13
Money manager Account	11018.57
COIF Money Master	150.73
ROWEC account	693.92

Bills due for payment as at 26 October 2006

Clerks Salary	£ 249.49	
Expenses	£ 51.46	£ 300.95
UHY Hacker Young		£ 141.00
N Power		£ 165.30
A Wallace		£ 10.00
B Wallace		£ 10.00

Minute 06-07-24 Proposed Cllr Williams and resolved that outstanding invoices be paid

The external auditor had returned the Annual Return with no problems identified. The budget sheet was circulated and council was reminded that the precept would need to be set at the next meeting. Hopefully if the bank statements were received in time the budget sheet would be circulated before the meeting so that councillors would have the opportunity to study them thoroughly before the meeting

12. Street Premises Licence

A discussion was held on concerns expressed by some residents on disturbances during the recent Beer Festival. The barbeque held at the beer festival was apparently not a licensable event unless it continued after 11 pm. However the Licensing Department had advised the clerk that the organiser should as a matter of courtesy advise the Parish Council as holders of the Street Premises licence of the event and provide evidence of a fire risk assessment. The clerk had received a formal request from the Green Man secretary asking for council's opinion on proposed Green Man activities and street closure orders. The clerk had spoken to the secretary and suggested it may be prudent to consult with residents on the proposal. The meeting was adjourned for Mrs Thorpe to comment. She said that Risk assessments had been produced for the Green Man for a number of years so would not be a problem. She also said that the District Council had a strategy to encourage such street events. Councillors however were aware of possible nuisance to residents and felt the matter should be thoroughly discussed. There was some concern over the length of time suggested for street closures but it was agreed that the Green Man committee would be invited to attend the next council meeting to discuss the matter and concerns.

13. Town Seats and benches

After discussion it was decided to inspect the benches at the end of next summer and make a decision on maintenance at that time.

14. Parish Plan – details of presentation and public meeting

The clerk confirmed the public meeting date as 10 January 2007 at Hightown Community Room. Details of the meeting would be published in the Clun Chronicle and poster erected around the town.

15 Shropshire & Wrekin Fire Authority – Consultation

Details of the consultation was relayed to the meeting and the clerk was asked to speak to the local fire-fighters for their opinions and reply accordingly.

16) Correspondence

Invitation to Remembrance Sunday Service	St Georges Clun
Nicholas Rand	Resignation as internal auditor
Forestry Commission	Black Hill forest design plan
SSDC	Parish guide to the planning process
	Newsletter
	Draft Planning enforcement policy for SSDC
Shropshire County Council	Submission of core strategy and mineral resources plan
	South Shropshire Domestic Violence network details
	Annual Report 2005-6
Central Networks & Philip Dunn	Grant Funding for Christmas Lights
SALC	Notification of training courses & other correspondence
Wasteless Society	Newsletter
Shropshire Hills	Annual review 2005-6

The correspondence was noted and it was suggested that a planning officer be invited to the February meeting to give a presentation on Parish Guide to the planning process.

Cllr M Smith gave a brief report on new Standards Board proposals.

15. Any new business for next meetings agenda.

It was proposed that the following would be included

Cleaner Neighbourhoods

Christmas Lights

Draft Planning enforcement policy for SSDC

Satellite Navigation Consultation

Present use of Buffalo Inn

16) To confirm the date of the next meeting.

30 November 2006 at Hazelhurst.

Meeting closed at 8. 55p.m.