



Prior to commencement of the business of the meeting the Vice Chairman Cllr Mrs Howard allowed parishioners present to address the Council. There were approximately 7 parishioners in attendance.

**Minutes of the Meeting of Clent Parish Council held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at Clent Parish Hall**

2016/4527 **APOLOGIES/ATTENDANCE REGISTER**

Present – Cllr. Bates, Cllr. Mrs Howard, Cllr Price and Cllr. Sheppard  
 Apologies – Cllr. Sugden, Cllr. Beaumont, Cllr. Smith, Cllr. Mrs Sherrey, Cllr. Allen-Jones and Cllr. Mrs Jenkins  
 Also Present – Ruth Mullett Clerk,  
 The Councillors present signed the Attendance Register.

2016/4528 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Chairman asked all members present to declare any personal or prejudicial interest on any items on the Agenda.  
 Other Disclosable Interest – Cllr. Sheppard – Maintenance of Clent Cricket Pitch, Member of Clent Club Social  
 Cllr. Sugden – Member of Clent Club Social  
 Cllr. Smith – Member of Clent Cricket Club and Member of Clent Club Social  
 Cllr. Mrs Howard – Member of Clent Club Social  
 Cllr. Sugden member of Clent History Society  
 Cllr, Mrs Howard Member of Comic Theatre Group

2016/4529 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016 be signed as a correct record. The Vice Chairman duly signed and initialled each page.

2016/4530 **YOUTH COUNCIL**

No meeting

2016/4531 **FINANCE**

1. Cash Flow and Bank Reconciliation – reports circulated. Bank Statements scrutinised by the Chairman.
2. To report Unqualified Audit from Grant Thornton and to confirm Notice of Closure has been advertised.
3. Accounts for payment

<b>Cheque</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Detail</b>	<b>Sum</b>
11199	Viking Direct	Stationery	23.83
11200	MAS Seeds Ltd	Wildflower seeds	360.00
111201	N Sugden	Mileage	20.70
11202	Mant Leisure	Skateboard refurbishment	33318.00
11203	Candoo	Website refurbishment	850.00
11204	HMRC	Payroll Taxes Due	343.54



11206	Direct 2 Print	Stationery	54.00
11207	Romsley PC	Contribution to straying course	260.00
11208	SLCC	Conference	87.99
11209	Phil Dunkley	Lengthsman	416.80

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr. Bates and Cllr. Price sign the cheques.

2016/4532 **TO RECEIVE CLERK'S REPORT**

Nothing to report

2016/4533 **TO RECEIVE UPDATES/REPORTS**

1. **Police Report/NHW** – Reports circulated to Councillors and placed on website. PC Tim Burling has suggested we hold a NHW meeting before one of our Parish Council meetings. Clerk to chase PC Burling for a date.
2. **District Councillors –**
  - Cllr. Mrs Sherrey** – No report given
  - Cllr. Allan-Jones**  
The key developments at District since I last saw you:-
    1. The Council has had a change of leader and Cllr. Geoff Denaro replaces Cllr. Mrs Margaret Sherrey.
    2. There have already been some changes to the cabinet :-  
Cllr. Geoff Denaro retains Finance  
Cllr. Kit Taylor retains Planning and Strategic Planning  
Cllr. Peter Whittaker retains Leisure  
Cllr. Mrs Karen May adds Economic Services and Community Safety
    3. There have been some changes to the Committee chairs so that :-  
Cllr. Brian Cooper takes over Chair of Audit  
Cllr. Mrs Rita Dent takes over as Chair of Licencing
    4. Cllr. Kit Taylor remains as Deputy Leader for the time being.
    5. The big thing that is going on is preparation of the Council's Efficiency Plan covering the proposed savings for the next four years which the government requires to enable a four year financial settlement to be secured. Although this item came before the last council meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> September further work was required and so the item was withdrawn and will now be reconsidered at an extra ordinary council meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016.
    6. A new round of New Homes Bonus applications has been launched.
  - County Cllr. Jenkins** – No report given
3. **Public Access Defibrillator** – Cllr. Price together with the Lengthsman met with the Parish Hall Trustees and it was agreed the defibrillator and cabinet would be best housed attached to the wall.



An electrician is required to install and Paul Timmins recommended a local one and has agreed to give Cllr. Price details.

4. **Website Launch** – Cllr. Mrs Howard and Cllr. Price are looking to organise a website launch at the start of either the November or January meeting.

- 2016/4534 **PLANNING MATTERS**  
**District Council Decisions**  
Nothing to report  
**Planning Applications for Parish Council Comments**  
Nothing to report  
**Planning Appeals**  
Nothing to report
- 2016/4535 **GRASS CUTTING/HEDGE MANAGEMENT/CENTENARY**  
**FIELD/PLAY AREAS**  
Cllr. Sheppard has met with Bromsgrove District Council and has given them a copy of the proposed toilet application for comments. The Clerk has also been approached to look into the possibility of installing bowling green and it was agreed to place this on next month's agenda.
- 2016/4536 **HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATHS**  
Nothing to report
- 2016/4537 **STREET LIGHTING /SIGNS**  
Nothing to report
- 2016/4538 **PARISH MAINTENANCE/LENGTHSMAN**  
Cllr. Sheppard has liaised with the Lengthsman with regards to replanting the wooden planters and these should be done shortly. Cllr. Sheppard has suggested winter pansies.
- 2016/4539 **OUTSIDE MEETINGS**  
Nothing to report
- 2016/4540 **CLERK'S REPORT ON URGENT DECISIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING**  
Nothing to report
- 2016/4541 **NEW ISSUES AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2016, 7.00PM AT CLENT PARISH HALL**  
Newsletter  
Bowling Green  
Phone box by the Church
- 2016/4542 **CHEQUE SIGNING**



Cheques signed as approved under Minute No. 2016/4531

Signed  
**Chairman of the Council**

**QUESTIONS ASKED DURING PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

1. How much were the skateboard ramps?
2. There is a major litter problem