



Prior to commencement of the business of the meeting the Acting Chairman Cllr Sugden allowed parishioners present to address the Council. There was one member of the public present.

Minutes of the Meeting of Clent Parish Council held on Monday 15th October 2018 at Clent Parish Hall

2018/4851 **APOLOGIES/ATTENDANCE REGISTER**

Present – Cllr. Sugden, Cllr. Bates and Cllr. Price

Apologies – Cllr. Mrs Howard and Cllr. Beaumont submitted an apology for absence due a family commitment. This apology was approved.

Cllr. Smith and Cllr. Sheppard submitted an apology for absence due to holiday. This apology was approved.

In attendance – District Cllr. Mrs Sherrey and Ruth Mullett Clerk,
The Councillors present signed the Attendance Register.

2018/4852 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Chairman asked all members present to declare any personal or prejudicial interest on any items on the Agenda. All councillors have standing declarations, namely:

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

Cllr. Beaumont – Member of Clent Cricket Club and Member of Clent Club Social

2018/4853 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 17th September 2018 be signed as a correct record. The Chairman duly signed each page.

2018/4854 **YOUTH COUNCIL**

It was suggested by Cllr. Bates that the Youth Council commence a project looking into the goal posts and surface area around them in Centenary Field. It was agreed for them to look at new surfaces, goal posts and nets and report recommendations to the full council. All councillors agreed this was a good project and Clerk to put on their next agenda.



2018/4855 **FINANCE**

1. Cash Flow and Bank Reconciliation – reports circulated to all councillors. Bank Statements scrutinised and initialled by the Chairman.
2. To confirm receipt of £400.00 yearly rent from Clent Cricket Club.
3. To report Unqualified Audit from PKF Littlejohn and Notice of Closure has been advertised.
4. Accounts for payment

Cheque	Payee	Detail	Sum
11500	SLCC	Training	138.00
11502	HMRC	Payroll taxes due	364.49
11503	St Leonards Church	Flowers	40.00
11504	Ruth Mullett	World War 1 event	871.03
11505	Candoo	Website GDPR	20.00
11506	PKF Littlejohn	External Audit	360.00
11495	The Poppy Appeal	Poppy Wreath x 2	90.00
11496	JRB Enterprise Ltd	Dog gloves	149.34
11497	E Sheppard	Cricket Club Toilets	1180.17
11498	Came and Co	Insurance	1409.06
11499	JCS Components Ltd	BT Phone box conversion	657.12

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

2018/4856 **TO RECEIVE CLERK'S REPORT**

Chairman's welcome message for the website – Clerk to liaise with the chairman to produce a suitable article.

2018/4857 **TRAINING**

Nothing to report.

2018/4858 **TO RECEIVE UPDATES/REPORTS**

1. **Police Report/NHW** – concern was expressed over the rise in burglaries and attempted burglaries.
2. **District Councillors** –
 - Cllr. Sherrey** – No report given
 - Cllr. Allan-Jones** – No report given.
 - County Cllr. May** – No report given
3. **Smartwater** – parishioners will continue to be invited to collect Smartwater before the start of our meeting, 6.30pm till 7.00pm. All Smartwater signs have now gone up in the parish.
4. **Twinning** – this item was deferred.
5. **Allotments** – Confirmation has been received from BDC they presently would not be in a position to transfer the management of



the allotments over to the parish council. This item will now be taken off the agenda.

6. **World War 1 Event** – everything is in place for the event with another planning meeting arranged for next week.
7. **Litter pick** – The litter pick was again a great success being well attempted by councillors and parishioners. It was agreed to hold three litter picks a year, April, July and September. The next scheduled one being 6th April 2019.

2018/4859

PLANNING MATTERS

District Council Decisions

18/00694 – Rock Cottage, Bromsgrove Road – proposed new dormer windows to front/side and rear elevations – **Refused**

Planning Applications for Parish Council Comments

18/01088 – 51 Belbroughton Road, Clent – ground floor side and rear extension, new rear dormer window at first floor – **No objections**

Planning Appeals

Nothing to report

2018/4860

GRASS CUTTING/HEDGE MANAGEMENT/CENTENARY FIELD/PLAY AREAS

1. Toilets – Cladding of the toilets should commence in October.
2. Following a successful meeting with the Probation Service they are due to commence clearance works in Centenary Field over the next month.

2018/4861

HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATHS/LENGTHSMAN/MAINTENANCE

1. Lengthsman to clear drains and leaves on Bromsgrove Road from the dual carriageway to the school.

2018/4862

STREET LIGHTING /SIGNS

This item was deferred awaiting Cllr. Mrs May's attendance.

2018/4863

OUTSIDE MEETINGS/COUNCILLORS REPRESENTING OUTSIDE BODIES

Nothing to report

2018/4864

NEW ISSUES AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2018, 7.00PM AT CLENT PARISH HALL

Cllr. Bates raised concern with regard to the section of footpath in Odnall Lane located on the boundary of Clent Cottage. The footpath is no longer safe to walk along because of overhanging foliage. Cllr. Bates requested that the Parish Council treat this issue with a high priority and for the subject to remain on the forthcoming agendas until resolved. The



Clerk advised that in the first instance she would request the Lengthsman to investigate and for him to report back with a suggested plan of action. Cllr. Bates agreed this was a good starting point and stressed that if needed the Parish Council would have to contact the owners of the overhanging foliage to seek their assistance.

2018/4865 **CHEQUE SIGNING**

Cheques signed as approved under Minute No. 2018/4856

Signed
Chairman of the Council