



Prior to commencement of the business of the meeting the Vice Chairman Cllr. Smith allowed parishioners present to address the Council. There were approximately 5 parishioners in attendance.

Minutes of the Meeting of Clent Parish Council held on Monday 16th April 2018 at Clent Parish Hall

2018/4760 **APOLOGIES/ATTENDANCE REGISTER**

Present – Cllr. Sheppard, Cllr. Bates, Cllr. Price, Cllr. Smith and Cllr. Beaumont

Apologies – Cllr. Mrs Howard, Cllr. Sugden, Cllr. Mrs Sherrey, Cllr. Mrs May and Cllr. Allen-Jones

Also Present – Ruth Mullett Clerk,

The Councillors present signed the Attendance Register.

2018/4761 **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

2018/4762 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 19th February 2018 be signed as a correct record, subject to two amendments. The Chairman duly signed and initialled each page.

2018/4763 **YOUTH COUNCIL**

Oliver gave an update of their meeting:-

- The ping pong rackets and balls have been stolen and it was agreed that the full council look at alternative options.
- The 30mph speed sign by the Clent Club is facing the wrong way – Clerk to ask the Lengthsman to rectify.
- Confirmed that the majority of the youth council will be attending the litter pick.

2018/4764 **FINANCE**

1. Cash Flow and Bank Reconciliation – reports circulated. Bank Statements scrutinised by the Chairman.
2. To confirm receipt of £87.86 Lengthsman Grant from Worcestershire County Council.



3. To confirm receipt of £24,375.00 half yearly Precept from Bromsgrove District Council.

Cheque	Payee	Detail	Sum
11431	I Wheeler	Lengthsman	246.50
11433	HMRC	Payroll Taxes Due	350.62
11434	Forever Memories	Youth Council Hoodies	63.36
11435	BDC	Litter and Dog bins	3369.60
11436	Worcs CC	Grit bin	204.00
11437	SLCC	Community Governance	980.00
11438	Instyle Marketing	Boules Sign	564.00
11439	Romsley PC	Grant Paid in Error	1419.00
11440	Betonia IT	Cloud storage	20.95
11441	Empire Sheds	Timber and decking	425.00
11442	Ed Sheppard	Materials	196.72
11443	Kings Norton Coaches	Parish Trip to Westminster	600.00
11444	Ed Sheppard	Materials	560.84

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

2018/4765

TO RECEIVE CLERK'S REPORT

1. The new noticeboard outside the Church Hall has now been installed and everyone agreed it looked so much better. Clerk was asked to put a notice up asking people to respect the new noticeboard and not to use staples when displaying notices.
2. BT phone box – awaiting warmer weather before we commence renovations.
3. Cllr. Bates agreed to put an update of the litter pick in the parish magazine.

2018/4766

TRAINING

Nothing to report.

2018/4767

TO RECEIVE UPDATES/REPORTS

1. **Police Report/NHW** – Reports circulated to Councillors and placed on website. Updates are also being circulated on the Clent Residents Facebook Page if appropriate. There is a new community messaging service and they are hoping to link this into community groups.
2. **District Councillors** –
 - Cllr. Sherrey** – No report provided.
 - Cllr. Allan-Jones** – No report provided.
 - County Cllr. May** – No report provided.
 - Smartwater** – the Smartwater roll-out is to be held on 28th April 2018 at Clent Parish Hall between 9.00am and 5.00pm. Clerk will send out the rota to all councillors. Cllr. Mrs Sherrey has also agreed to volunteer on the day.



3. **Twinning** – nothing to report
4. **Allotments** – this item was deferred.
5. **Royal Wedding Celebration, Picnic in the Park 19th May 2018** – It has been agreed to hold another Picnic in the Park incorporating the Royal Wedding Celebration. It was agreed for the event to start at noon to allow people to watch the Royal Wedding in the Clent Club followed by a picnic, rounder's match, boules etc. Clent Cricket Club will also be doing a BBQ on the day. Cllr. Smith is going to arrange for a banner for Centenary Field advertising the event to be produced and will put notices around the village.

2018/4768

PLANNING MATTERS

District Council Decisions

17/01277 – Rowardennan, Bromsgrove Road – proposed rear dormer extension – **Refused**

Planning Applications for Parish Council Comments

Nothing to report

Planning Appeals

Nothing to report

2018/4769

GRASS CUTTING/HEDGE MANAGEMENT/CENTENARY FIELD/PLAY AREAS

Update on toilets – Cllr. Sheppard confirmed that the roof trusses have now been installed on the toilet block and it should be felted this week. They will then start to remove the old sanitary wear and replace with new. It was also agreed to order the septic tank at a cost of approximately £475.00. Cllr. Sheppard said he is looking to arrange a meeting with Clent Cricket Club to discuss their contribution towards the cost of the toilets.

Boules Sign – this has now been installed and everyone agrees it looks very professional.

Litter and dog poo bins – concern was expressed by Cllr. Bates at the significant cost from BDC for emptying of the litter and dog waste bins. Clerk to talk to BDC and look at other options to try and get the cost down and report back to the next meeting.

2018/4770

HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATHS

Cllr. Smith is still trying to contact the old Lengthsman to ask for the return of the strimmer.

Cllr. Smith and Cllr. Bates did a tour of the village to agree suggested locations for white gates. Suggested locations are:-

- 2 behind Clent sign on Bromsgrove Road approaching from the Lyttleton
- 2 gates on Bromsgrove Road approaching from the dual carriageway A491
- 1 gate on the Belbroughton Road approaching from Belbroughton on the right-hand side before the bus stop.



Clerk is to arrange a meeting with Richard Clewer and Cllr. Smith to look at the locations in more detail.

2018/4771 **STREET LIGHTING /SIGNS**

Cllr. Sheppard confirmed we are still awaiting a column from County Council.

2018/4772 **OUTSIDE MEETINGS**

Nothing to report

2018/4773 **CLERK'S REPORT ON URGENT DECISIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING**

Nothing to report

2018/4774 **NEW ISSUES AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 21ST MAY 2018, 7.00PM AT CLENT PARISH HALL**

2018/4775 **CHEQUE SIGNING**

Cheques signed as approved under Minute No. 2018/4748

Signed
Chairman of the Council