

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON MONDAY, 13th APRIL 2015 AT 7.30 p.m.**

Present Councillors Mrs. S.A. Beaman
 Ms J.L. Clements
 D. Cook
 R.J. Cotham
 D.S. Cowie (Chairman)
 M.J. Edwards
 D. Harris
 R.S. Parr
 D.A. Whitmore
 Mrs. V. Williams

Also present: Shropshire Councillor Tina Woodward

Apologies: Councillor J.R. Caswell – work commitment, Councillor S. Lawrence – personal reasons,
Councillor Mrs. J. Marsh – personal reasons

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No disclosable pecuniary interests were declared

MINUTES of the meeting held on 9th March 2015, having been distributed
to all councillors, were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

47/15 Claverley in Bloom

Councillor Parr's report had been forwarded to all the councillors.

Planting had taken place in the new bed which had been created at the junction of Boundary Close and Aston Lane and will be completed shortly. An application for a licence to plant for the Clover Heath planting bed had been submitted to Shropshire Council.

Unfortunately, there had not been a good response from volunteers to help with the village spring clean which had taken place on 4th April. CIB committee members had collected a large amount of litter and debris. It had been noticed there were overhanging branches and a large number of dead trees in the hedgerows which, after high winds, could potentially be a danger to motorists or pedestrians.

Action: Clerk to put a warning in 'Halo' magazine

Tickets were selling well for the 'Proms in the Church' concert.

Councillors were shown an illustration of the proposed Aston Lane bench which will be dedicated in memory of Sheila Higham who had been a councillor for many years and a supporter of CIB. An order will be placed with Cyan Teak Furniture.

A tree will be planted on the Aston Lane bank by Philip Dunne, MP on 17th April to mark the 10th anniversary of CIB

All the Britain in Bloom entrants will be supplied with a banner from the RHS. Some thought will need be given as to where to hang it.

48/15 QEII Jubilee Field

Councillor Cook informed the meeting that he will be checking the play equipment on the field. The football club had one remaining match to play. Unfortunately, the secretary had left and the club was in danger of folding. The cricket wicket was getting muddy at the bowling end.

A complaint had been received about some dog owners taking dogs on to the field although the present sign stated this was prohibited.

Action: Clerk to reiterate in ‘Halo’ that dogs were not allowed on the field and to ask the Head Teacher to arrange for a further sign to be erected at the entrance to the field

49/15 Parish Plan

Councillor Harris reported that the working group had met on 25th March and will be meeting again on 22nd April.

50/15 Street Lights

The Clerk informed the meeting that Mike Smith Designs had suggested a blanking plate be fitted as a solution to Mr. and Mrs. Hollingshead complaint. However, E.ON had advised that for Mr. and Mrs. Hollingshead to get any benefit out of the blanking plate it would need to be installed on the front facing pane of the lantern and this would also blank out the light that is needed to illuminate the road way. This would mean the light would only be decorative and would not fulfil the purpose of having a street light. The charge for fitting the blanking plate would be £47.00 plus VAT. Mr. Johnson, E.ON’s Project Manager, was looking at different solutions to try and solve the problem.

Councillor Edwards suggested using some card to assess the effect of reducing the light shining in the bedroom window and Councillor Cotham suggested lowering the column. It was agreed to wait until a reply had been received from Mr. Johnson.

The Clerk reported that the wall light outside No. 5 High Street had now been removed and power had been connected to the new street light outside All Saints Cottage.

51/15 Defibrillator

The West Midlands Ambulance Service had contacted Councillor Marsh and had offered to come to a future parish council meeting. As it was hoped to find sponsorship from a local company for

the proposed defibrillator, which would be for community use, and as the parish did not have a First Responder, councillors did not want to take up this invitation at present.

52/15 Youth Council/Youth Club

Councillor Lawrence had asked the Clerk to inform the meeting that he would be using ‘Halo’ to ask young people to contact him if they were interested in becoming involved with the proposed Youth Council.

An open day with a “pop up café” had been arranged for Saturday, 18th April to mark the first anniversary of the Youth Club. Councillor Lawrence thought this would be a good way to engage the local community and hopefully raise funds.

53/15 Aston Crossroads – mirror

Further discussion took place about the new mirror installed at the Aston crossroads. Councillor Williams agreed with the comments Councillor Lawrence had made at the previous meeting and thought the mirror was too high and too small but the majority felt the mirror was an improvement.

54/15 CIL Local Fund

Councillor Woodward was arranging a meeting with Tracy Johnson, the Community Action Officer and Councillor Whitmore to go through the forms relating to the allocation of CIL monies.

55/15 **UNITARY REPORT**

Councillor Woodward informed the meeting she would be meeting Becky Jones, the Conservation Officer. As the subject of the poor condition of part of Digbeth Lane had been raised at the March meeting, she would be walking the route and will be taking photographs of the damage to the surface.

56/15 **PLANNING**

Permission

14/04850/FUL Erection of a two storey side extension and extension to first floor to provide additional living accommodation, Sunnyside, Long Common for Mr. and Mrs. A. Cole

15/00173/FUL Erection of a replacement dwelling following demolition of existing bungalow, Cotswold Coombe, Draycott for Mr. M. Anslow

15/00825/TCA Fell one Leylandii within Claverley Conservation Area, The Gables, Church Street, Claverley for Mr. G.B.H. Lee

New Applications

15/000650/FUL Erection of single storey extension to side elevation, 3 Shipley Hall Barns, Bridgnorth Road, Shipley for Mr. D. Pace
The Parish Council did not have any objections

15/00833/FUL Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the change of use from children's nursery to domestic residential use, The Old School House, Bull Ring, Claverley for Mr. and Mrs. Julian Dwane (retrospective)
The Parish Council did not have any objections

15/01510/TCA Fell four Leylandii Cypress trees within Claverley Conservation Area, The Gables, Church Street, Claverley for Mr. G.B.H. Lee.
The Parish Council did not have any objections.

Discussion took place about the implications of a possible sale of The Kings Arms and The Crown public houses. To date no planning applications for either property had been submitted by prospective purchasers.

57/15 PARISH MATTERS

Councillor Cotham reported that the hedge between the turning to Wall Hill and Lea Farm required cutting and there were dead trees in the hedgerow.

Action: Clerk to contact the owner

A Hopstone resident had asked Councillor Cotham to make a request for the school bus to be diverted through Hopstone. Councillors did not consider this was a viable proposition due to the difficulty of large vehicles getting through Church Street due to parked vehicles.

Action: Councillor Cotham to inform the resident that his request for a diversion of the school bus would not be viable

Councillor Williams reported fly tipping of an old fridge in Brantley Lane.

Action: Clerk to inform Shropshire Council

Councillor Edwards reported that when it rained water accumulated in the dip in the Winchester to Broughton lane.

Action: Clerk to inform Shropshire Highways

Councillor Lawrence had asked the Clerk to inform the meeting that he had been contacted by a resident of Danford Lane who had expressed concern about the bad signage and lack of adequate bollards to prevent vehicles driving down Danford Lane from The Woodman side and was concerned as young people play near the brook.

The Clerk informed the meeting that Shropshire Highways had been informed at the beginning of March and Mr. Downes had confirmed the work would be carried out as quickly as possible.

58/15 CORRESPONDENCE

Annual Town and Parish Council Emergency Planning Seminar 2015

Notification had been received that the Annual Town and Parish Council Emergency Planning Seminar will be held at the Shirehall, Shrewsbury on Wednesday, 3rd June commencing at 6.30 p.m.

Notification of road closures

Notification had been received that the Claverley to Red Hill road (50m from the Church Street junction with the Worfield turning to the junction of Rudge Heath Road) will be closed from Monday, 27th April for 7 days to enable de-silting and clearance of BT duct blockages.

A section of the Winchester to Bulwardine road will be closed on 22nd May between 7.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. to enable resurfacing work to be carried out.

59/15 CHEQUES

Chq. No. 001237	Npower Ltd. – energy for street lights 01/01/15-31/03/15.....	£995.40
001238	Claverley Youth Club – 1 st instalment of hire charges for village hall.....	£90.00
001239	E.ON Energy Solutions – Street light repair	£61.64
	Installation of 7 new columns and 8 Victorian style LED lanterns	£6567.34
001240	Claverley Village Hall Committee – use of hall for meetings April 2015 to March 2016.....	£156.00
001241	Mrs. G.M. Price - reimbursement for cost of Broadband 07/01/15 to 06/04/15.....	£68.85
001242	Shropshire Association of Local Councils – affiliation fees 01/04/15 to 31/03/16.....	£571.26
001243	Mrs. G.M. Price – Clerk’s salary – 4 th quarter 2014-2015.....	£686.27

It was proposed by Councillor Parr, seconded by Councillor Whitmore and agreed by the Council to pass the cheques for payment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10 p.m.

Date of Annual Council Meeting: Monday, 11th May at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall