

**LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE**  
**YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY,**  
**3 AUGUST 2009 AT 7.30 PM**

**PRESENT**

**Cllr J Couzens in the Chair**

**Cllrs R Bellamy, J Cutting, De Vaux Balbirnie, J Dunnett, Miss L Gray, Mrs E Ward, P Watson and Mrs A Wood**

**There were five residents present.**

**ITEMS RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

**A resident complained about noise nuisance problems at 159 Harwich Road. The Parish Council felt that the resident should make an official complaint when it happens next and then the Council will follow up with a suitable letter to TDC seeking urgent action. The matter of the trench at Cooks Green was discussed and it would appear that EDF are placing a high tension cable underground in the area.**

**APOLOGIES**

**Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Carter, Dass, Leatherdale and Skeels**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 JULY 2009**

**These were approved and will be signed by the Chairman at the September meeting when the Minute Book is available.**

**MATTERS ARISING**

**Cllr Cutting reported that County Highways has been to look at the flooding problem at 56 Weeley Road**

**MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD**

- (a) Internet – photographs have been taken and suitable ones will be selected for the website**
- (a) Highway Matters – Cllr Watson reported on the various matters outstanding. We are still awaiting the sign for Holland Road and information regarding dates on repairs in Elm Road. This latter information is needed for the accident claim**
- (b) Affordable Housing – Mrs Groborz has arranged for a presentation to be made at the September meeting which will commence at 7.00 pm.**
- (c) Parish Archives – on hold until building work has been completed**
- (d) Youth and Community Building Extension – planning application has been agreed and building regulations submitted**
- (e) Parish Plan – in circulation**

**POLICE/CRIME PREVENTION**

**Cllr Wood reported that there had been three occurrences of suspicious circumstances at Meadowview Park; disturbances in Harwich Road; theft from a motor vehicle in Pear Tree Way; noise nuisance – party in St Osyth Road East; burglary at Green Gates; obstruction in The Street; theft in Holland Road and an assault at The Lodge.**

**WORKING PARTY REPORTS**

**Maintenance and Services**

Cllr Watson reported an order had been placed to cover the cost of replacing the damaged disabled toilet door in the pavilion. As part of the continuing improvements at Parish Field, Cllr Watson proposed to remove the rusty metal posts and high level chain link fencing from around the compound at the rear of the pavilion and include replacing the small unused side gate with a fencing panel and a new pair of gates, matching the palisade fencing to provide access to the area at a maximum cost of £1200, this was seconded by Cllr Cutting and agreed.

Cllr Watson is preparing a second stage landscaping programme for the area around the 'bandstand' in line with the previous completed scheme alongside the ATC fence and, if agreed, will apply for some of the cost to be included in this year's TDC Tree Planting Grant Scheme. Other matters raised were the possible provision of a storage building for the tractor, etc at Parish Fields. The overgrown hedges at Plough Corner by Batemans Road and the hedge at No.27 Weeley Road, which is obstructing the roadway, need to be cut back.

Street Lights – Cllr Ward reported on charges on invoices by Cartledge

Footpaths – nothing to report

Planning and Development

Cllr Wood reported on the following applications –

09/00687/FUL New dwelling, 39 London Road

It was agreed to write to TDC with no objection

09/00706/LBC Application for replacement windows, Grove Farm, Tan Lane

It was agreed to write to TDC in support of the application

09/00707/LBC Appeal against refusal of permission for retrospective listed building consent to retain a replacement window that fell out during a period between submission of application and decision at Grove Farm, Tan Lane

It was agreed to write in support of the appeal

Cllr Cutting declared a personal interest in the following application.

09/00710/FUL Detached replacement dwelling with integral garage – renewal of planning permission 04/01242/FUL, site of Hopedale, 27 Weeley Road

It was agreed to write to TDC with no objection but drawing attention to the question of overlooking the adjacent property at 25 Weeley Road.

09/00697/FUL Change of use of existing Grade II traditional buildings to a B1 office use, Bovills Hall, St Osyth Road West

It was agreed to write to TDC with no objection

09/00698/LBC Alterations to the fabric and structure of the building in connection with planning application for change of use at Bovills Hall, St Osyth Road West

It was agreed to write to TDC with no objection

09/00731/FUL Proposed entrance ramp at Shelken, Bertram Avenue

It was agreed to write to TDC with no objection

Applications determined:

09/00483/FUL – change of use from agricultural farm yard to temporary storage compound at Bovills Hall – Approval

09/00594/FUL – extension to youth and community building - Approval

The Chairman reported that the Enforcement Officer is looking into the increased garden curtilage in Lodge Road.

TDALC

**No meeting**

**LITTLE CLACTON PARISH FIELDS AND YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**Cllr Bellamy reported that the Car Boot season continues with varying returns depending on the weather. The fields will be used regularly in August for the pre-season friendly matches. Little Clacton Carnival used the facilities on the 4 July and have made a donation of £100. The Youth and Community Hall continues to enjoy regular bookings.**

**Clacton Art Club will be holding an Art Exhibition in the Pavilion at the Bank Holiday weekend, 30/31 August.**

**VILLAGE HALL**

**Cllr Dunnet reported that a donation of £100 had been received from the Carnival Committee. There are two major events in September, a lunch party on 19<sup>th</sup> and a Clairvoyant Evening on 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**MILLENNIUM GREEN**

**No report**

**TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**Cllr De Vaux Balbirnie reported that some members would be attending the Equality and Diversity training evening at Weeley Council Chamber on 18 August. The Lions Club are looking for old bras to complete a line to win an entry in the Guinness Book of Records.**

**He attended the Inquiry into the Wind Farm, which continues. He read out his statement to the Inquiry.**

**Cllr Watson asked if TDC have to issue a licence for the circuses and is fly posting illegal. It is illegal but there are difficulties in stopping the practice.**

**ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL**

**No report**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Essex County Council**

**Making the Links  
Street Lighting**

**Tendring District Council**

**Forward Plan 94  
Consultation on Planning Matters – passed to**

**Planning Committee for comments**

**Civic Service – 20 September**

**Allianz Insurance plc**

**Fidelity Guarantee papers**

**RCCE**

**Best Kept Village Competition results**

**Mr W Sealy**

**Noise Nuisance**

**EPFA**

**The Playing Field – passed to Cllr Bellamy**

**Carnival Committee**

**Accounts**

## **FINANCE AND CHEQUES AUTHORISATION**

The up-to-date balance of the Council's funds were noted.

<b>Cheques issued:</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>May Gurney Ltd</b>	<b>287.35</b>
<b>NALC (Local Council Review)</b>	<b>40.50</b>
<b>TDC (Building Regulations)</b>	<b>216.20</b>
<b>E.ON Energy</b>	<b>273.17</b>
<b>T R Venn</b>	<b>2321.74</b>
<b>Local Landscapes</b>	<b>256.25</b>
<b>Ashby Metalworks</b>	<b>1106.30</b>
<b>HomeView Surveillance</b>	<b>124.20</b>
<b>Kendall Contract Services (grounds)</b>	<b>248.63</b>

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## **ITEMS DEEMED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN**

None

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**Cllr De Vaux Balbirnie - no grants available for our villages**

**Cllr Wood – write a letter of condolence to Mrs Sambridge. Agreed.**

**There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm**

**The next meeting will be held at the Youth and Community Centre at 7.00 pm on Monday, 7 September 2009**

**Chairman  
7 September 2009**