

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mr D Land

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE
YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY,
7th OCTOBER 2019 AT 7.30 PM**

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

Councillors: P De Vaux Balbirnie, M Balbirnie, D Botterell, L Gray, J Taylor, B Ward, J Jeffries, D Hull, J Smith Daye, A Mitchell,

District Councillor: Apologies received

Essex County Councillor: Apologies received

4 residents were in attendance

Resident's issues – there were no issues raised by the public – **To appear within the main body of the next agenda**

10/19 – 01 | Welcome from the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed Councillors and members of the public then made the following announcements:

- He thanked the outgoing Clerk for her service to the council and presented her with flowers and a card
- He welcomed the new clerk to the role
- He welcomed the new Parish Councillor to their first meeting

10/19 – 02 | Apologies for absence

Apologies were received this month from Councillors R Bellamy and S Rowland

10/19 – 03 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 2nd September 2019

RESOLVED THAT: The minutes be accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr J Taylor, seconded by Cllr Gray, all in favour.

10/19 – 04 | Matters arising - to appear as 'Clerk's Report' on the next Agenda

The planning application at 8A Holland Road was originally turned down by TDC – not sustainable. When the application returned it was approved by TDC. The council have exhausted all opportunities of complaint with TDC and therefore would now like to consider the next course of action.

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RESOLVED THAT: The ombudsman is contacted about this matter. Proposed John SD, seconded B Ward - all in favour

10/19 – 05 | Chairman's report

The Chairman reported that he would speak at the appropriate points in the meeting but gave the following update:

- Meeting with Cllr Erskine – in depth chat, pelican crossing at village hall, speed test strips at school are installed, need to check the measurement criteria for the strips,
- Speed signs at Meadow view park, qualifies for a VAS sign as per old measurements
- PROW footpath over the bridge, (not a recognised prow), concerns over horses

ACTION: Contact Essex Highways about the broken bridge – **Emergency CC ERSKINE**, S Potter. Dead Lane to St. Osyth road west/easy footbridge.

10/19 – 06 | Crime and prevention

Reports on a mixture of cases were read out by Cllr Botterell, received from Tony Rowntree (Special Constable).

10/19 – 07 | Working party reports

Maintenance and Services

No immediate concerns have been reported

Footpaths

Councillor Jeffries checked 3 footpaths – all clear. Cllrs thanks her for the time put in.

Streetlights

Four lights out which have been reported to the contractor by Cllr Mitchell

Highways/Devolution

Chairman attended the EALC who were asking for feedback on the scheme – we have done four minor jobs but are looking to branch out to bigger projects. Pot Holes (outside Belamacanda and Weeley Road) Had meeting with buddy and Kendalls to review these jobs. H&S is critical to this, had quote. Approx £1000 for two holes

RESOLVED THAT: The council accept the two quotes to repair the potholes if **they are not** on an ECC schedule already
Proposed by Cllr Cutting, seconded by Cllr Ward – all in favour

ACTION: Cllr Hull offered to contact HIGHWAYS to chase the issue of drainage in the Street

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10/19 – 08 | Planning and development

Councillor J Taylor read out the comments made by the Planning Group on the applications listed below.

RESOLVED THAT: the recommendations be adopted. Proposed Cllr Smith-Daye, seconded Cllr Botterell – all in favour.

Applications:

19/01209/FUL	Crackstakes Farm	Alteration to approved plan (19/00860) for extended curtilage and garage Recommend Approval
19/01446/TPO	35 Sunnyside Way	Remove lower branches of tree Recommend Approval

Determinations:

19/00093/DE TAIL	<i>Land West of The Street Little Clacton Essex CO16 9LT</i>	Reserved Matters/Detailed Part submission of reserved matters, for 18 dwellings, following outline planning permission on 15/01550/OUT allowed on appeal. (APP/P1560/W/16/3156070 - erection of 98 dwellings). 13.09.2019 Delegated Decision Approved
19/00440/OUT	<i>Land adjacent 44 Elm Road Little Clacton Essex CO16 9LT</i>	<i>Erection of 5 dwellings</i> Delegated Decision 06.09.2019 Approved
19/01103/LBC Approval - Listed Building Consent 27.09.2019 Delegated	<i>Stone Hall 55 London Road Little Clacton Clacton On Sea Essex</i>	<i>Repair south gable and associated sole plate</i> Approved

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<i>Decision</i>	<i>CO16 9RB</i>	
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Cllr Taylor discussed 106 developer contributions.

ACTION: setup a meeting with K Childs from TDC to go through the matter

Chairman noted that the Little Clacton Village Hall has been booked on 21st October for a presentation on a development proposal, residents will be written to by the developer.

Local Plan – no updates.

10/19 – 09 | Internet

Nothing to report

10/19 – 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell reported that he attended a meeting 25th September, guest speaker was C Bicknell from TDC, local plan update, NPPF (numbers changed). 78 appeals in 2018 48% were approved, improved in 2019. Training for PC's in planning will be forthcoming Joy Derby is retiring at EALC in 2020.

10/19 – 11 | Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

The Chairman reported that Cllr Bellamy is in Hospital. The Chairman is overseeing bookings and payments etc.

10/19 – 12 | Parish Field Upgrade

Meeting to be arranged with the steering group including Mike Letch

10/19 – 13 | Requests from the Camera Club

A request for Wi-Fi and storage had come in from the camera club, Cllr Botterell explained he had looked at some options and the fee could be approx £500.

RESOLVED THAT: proceed with getting a full quotation for the Wi-fi works. Proposed Cllr Ward, seconded Cllr Hull - all in favour

A discussion took place about the storage opportunities available to the club and the rear of the hall was mentioned. Put down flagstones, buy metal lockable shed, insure it themselves, no flammable goods and if they ended their hire agreement, we would retain

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ownership – size to be agreed.

RESOLVED THAT: to put forward the options discussed above. Proposed Cllr P Balbirnie, seconded Cllr Taylor – all in favour

10/19 - 14 | Village hall

Cllr P Balbirnie reported an accident had occurred involving the barrier, it was hit by a vehicle and it was damaged. The barrier was repaired by locals as an immediate fix and subsequently it was then taken away and repaired – thanks to Cllr Mitchell. Police received the CCTV footage – no response yet. The hall will use their insurance policy. The local Special Constable helped immensely.

Remedial works coming to be completed in the hall

Would the PC consider the hall in their precept to keep on top of the bushes/overgrowth.

10/19 – 15 | Millennium Green

Cllr M Balbirnie reported that the green had been cut with a second to follow, wild meadow mix to go down once ready. Bushes due to be trimmed this week with new signage to be erected at the front and another halfway down near the kissing gate as you enter the green. Thanks to those who turned up for the tree installation in memory of Harold - moving service!

ACTION: Please could 'supported by LCPC' be added to the wording on the signs

10/19 – 16 | Tendring District Councillor report

Cllr Bray was unable to get to the meeting due to traffic issues

10/19 – 17 | Correspondence – none this month

10/19 – 18 | Finance and cheques authorisation

The up to date balances of the Councils funds were noted.

RESOLVED THAT: The month's cheques be signed. Proposed by Cllr Botterell, seconded Cllr P Balbirnie – all in favour

A & J Lighting Solutions (33345 - 82 St.Osyth Road East) (33359 67 and 101 Holland Road)	1154.40
PKF Littlejohn LLP - annual accounts fee	360.00

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Kendall - August and September Fees	974.20
Clacton Business Services - payroll for quarter	36.00
Eon	172.42
Mrs G Loach	520.51
GB Maintenance	80.00
HMRC	130.00
Essex Pension Fund	193.10
Cheque total	£3,620.63
Bank Charges September	12.20
Expenditure Total	£3,632.83

10/19 – 19 | Items deemed urgent by the Chairman

None

10/19 – 20 | Matter for the next meeting

The Chairman reported that a BUSINESS GROUP meeting will be called. Any recommendation from the clerk as RFO will be put forward at that meeting to improve the functions of the council.

**The next meeting will be held at the Youth and Community Centre at 7.30pm on Monday,
4th November 2019**

**Chairman
4th November 2019**