

**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,  
2<sup>nd</sup> December 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, S Rowland

**District Councillor:** Apologies received

**Essex County Councillor:** Apologies received

6 members of the public were in attendance.

**12/19 – 01 | Welcome from the Chairman**

The Chairman welcomed people to the meeting.

**12/19 – 02 | Public Forum**

Mr Hanmore raised concerns about the number of public comments listed on the TDC portal against a planning application for 35 Holland Road, It was felt that some of the comments had not been picked up by TDC

**12/19 – 03 | Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received this month from Cllr Erskine and Cllr Bray

**12/19 – 04 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

**RESOLVED THAT:** The minutes be accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Botterell, seconded by Cllr M Balbirnie, all in favour.

**12/19 – 05 | Clerk's Report**

The clerk gave a verbal update on local matters including lighting, roadworks and other matters of interest

**12/19 – 06 | Chairman's Report**

The Chairman gave no updates at this time

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**12/19 – 07 | Crime and Prevention**

Cllr Hull reported some of the events from the previous month both verbally and in a written report

Neighbourhood watch wood like to come and give a talk to the Council

**NOTED:** the council would be happy to hear from the scheme

**12/19 – 08 | Working Party Reports**

**Maintenance and Services**

Concern over the Bus Shelters in Harwich Road and what are the timescales for renewal/improvement

**ACTION:** Chairman to send an email to Cllr Erskine for an update

Cllr Rowland mentioned the national agenda for lowering our carbon footprint – can the council investigate this and see if there are any grants available.

**ACTION:** Clerk to investigate potential opportunities

**Footpaths**

Councillor Jeffries/Gray updated the rosehip bush has been cleared

Dead Lane grass verge has been churned up by a vehicle – report to Thames Water

**Streetlights**

Cllr Mitchell reported that two lights out on Harwich Road

The council thanked Cllr Mitchell for the wonderful Christmas lights

**Highways/Devolution**

Nothing to report

**12/19 – 9 | Planning and Development**

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

**RESOLVED THAT:** that the recommendations be adopted. Proposed Cllr Botterell seconded Cllr Jeffries – all in favour.

**Applications:**

<b>19/01726/FUL – 35 Holland Road, CO16 9RT</b>	Demolition of the existing bungalow and associated outbuildings and construction of 10no. bungalows (resulting in a net gain of 9no. residential dwellings), improvement of existing access and enhancement of existing landscaping features.	<b>Recommend REFUSAL</b>
<b>19/01662/FUL – 3 Alan Drive, CO16 9RH</b>	Proposed side extension, detached garage and boundary gate and fence.	<b>Recommend APPROVAL</b>

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19/01661/FUL – 124 The Street, CO16 9LS	First floor rear extension and new boundary wall and gates.	Recommend APPROVAL
19/01619/FUL - Hilvic Lodge Road, CO16 9QD	Proposed Extension	Recommend APPROVAL
19/01598/FUL - Cross- ways Garden Centre Thorpe Road, CO16 9RZ	Erection of 21 houses and associated development following demolition of existing buildings.	Recommend REFUSAL
19/01685/FUL – Fineviews, Thorrington Road, CO16 9ES	Proposed single storey rear extension (following demolition of conservatory).	Recommend APPROVAL
19/01693/FUL - 67 St Osyth Road East, CO16 9NZ	Proposed rear extension to existing dwelling house and demolition of garage.	Recommend APPROVAL
19/01752/FUL - Swains Farm, 89 The Street, CO16 9LT	Demolition of existing barn and construction of replacement building incorporating office space and two flats	Recommend REFUSAL

**Determinations:**

19/01623/DISCON - Stone Hall 55 London Road, CO16 9RB	Discharge of condition 03 (Details of timbers) of planning permission 19/01103/LBC	APPROVED
19/01446/TPO - 35 Sunnyside Way, CO16 9PE	1 No. Oak - remove lower branches and tidy and shape tree	APPROVED

**Local Plan (Cllr Bray)** – Nothing to report

**12/19 – 10 | Internet**

Nothing to report

**12/19 – 11 | TDALC**

Cllr Botterell reported that the Chairman of TDC Environment working group attended the last meeting (Alan Coley)

TDC declared a climate emergency on the 6<sup>th</sup> August to become carbon neutral by 2030

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Information on the Consultation on illegal encampments can be found at – NALC.GOV.UK

**12/19 – 12 | Little Clacton Playing Field Trust**

Cllr J S Daye reported that we are moving forward with registering the land, updating the leases and mentioned that anyone wishing to become a trustee would be welcomed.

Cllr Botterell reported that the project to install WIFI is ongoing.

**12/19 – 13 | Parish Field Upgrade**

Cllr Cutting mentioned that the steering group met and had further discussions on the project to upgrade the tennis courts.

**12/19 - 14 | Village Hall**

Cllr P Balbirnie reported that a successful barn dance took place.

Chairman will chase Jive Aces for a contribution

**12/19 – 15 | Millennium Green**

Cllr M Balbirnie reported that the new notices would be going up shortly – everything else is fine.

**12/19 – 16 | Tendring District Councillor Report**

Cllr Bray sent apologies but said he would follow up the Feverills matter with TDC planning enforcement.

Cllr Rowlands asked about the 30mph signs.

**ACTION:** Chairman to follow up with Cllr Erskine

**12/19 – 17 | Correspondence**

The clerk reported that a tree preservation order in 149 Harwich Road had been ratified.

**12/19 – 18 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation**

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

**RESOLVED:** that the month's cheques be signed. Proposed by Cllr J S Daye Seconded Cllr Botterell – all in favour

**RESOLVED:** that the precept of 80k for 2020/12 be accepted. Proposed by M Balbirnie Seconded Cllr J S Daye – all in favour

**12/19 – 19 | Items deemed urgent by the Chairman**

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**12/19 – 20** |Matters for the next meeting

Cllr Taylor asked for an item to be included on the agenda for next meeting

Community needs analysis – improvements/benefits for the village.

Cllr Mitchell noted that he attended an awards ceremony for a lady that has raised millions for charity in the village

Chairman wished everyone a Happy Christmas and New Year

**The next meeting will be held at the Youth and Community Centre at 7.30pm on Monday,  
6<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**Signed Chairman  
6<sup>th</sup> January 2019**