

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mr D Land

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ONLINE (via skype)
ON MONDAY,
2nd November 2020 AT 7.30 PM**

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

Councillors: P De Vaux Balbirnie, M Balbirnie, D Botterell, J Taylor, B Ward, D Hull, J Smith
Daye

District Councillor: Apologies received

Essex County Councillor: not in attendance

1 member of the public was in attendance

11/2020 – 01 | Welcome from the Chairman

The Chairman invited Kieran Perkins to give a rundown on his interest in being a Parish Councillor. He gave a talk on how he had always been a resident of Little Clacton, schooled locally and is part of Little Clacton Football Club. He wants to bring the youth through and encourage others to be part of the local community

11/2020 – 02 | Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received this month from Cllr Rowland, Cllr Gray

11/2020 – 03 | Declarations of Interest

To declare the existence and nature of any ‘personal’ or ‘personal and prejudicial’ interest relating to the items on the agenda having regard to paragraphs 8 to 12 (inclusive) of the Code of Conduct for Members.

Cllr Mitchell noted that he has been undertaking works on the Parish Lighting and declared a pecuniary interest

Cllrs M and P Balbirnie declared an interest in the Poppy Appeal and the Village Hall

11/2020 – 04 | Public Forum – Question from Members of Public

There were none

11/2020 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 6th July 2020

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

11/2020 – 06 | Clerk’s Report

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

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11/2020 – 07 | Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave an update on matters concerning the village.

Contacted ECC about the flooding in the Street, meeting held with asset management team at ECC (David Prudence). Cllr Erskine to contact Cllr Bentley to lobby the case. Why can't developers be pressed to contribute to these matters through planning applications. Planters in the village have been replanted – thanks to Gina Cutting

A virtual remembrance Service will be held by TDC, LCPC submitted pictures for the online service.

Business group meeting was held to discuss the precept for 2021-22 – this will be presented to the council in December.

11/2020 – 08 | Crime and Prevention

Cllr Hull reported no crime this month. Tony has been doing speed watch checks

11/2020 – 09 | Working Party Reports

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Rowland gave a written update and suggested some future works.

Footpaths

Cllr Jeffries said she had checked the paths and all clear. St. Osyth Road West – garden waste outside on the verge. Letter to go to two properties.

Streetlights

Cllr Mitchell has now stepped down from his responsibility for lights as he is now undertaking paid works for the council.

A new representative was asked for and the Clerk said he would be happy to take on this role.

Cllr Hull proposed Seconded Cllr P Balbirnie - all in favour that A D Mitchell be used to undertake lighting repairs for LCPC

Highways/Devolution

The Chairman reported that bollards had been purchased - proposed to install in the new year.

Planning

To consider the planning applications received from Tendring District Council

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

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20/01155/FUL - 1 Alan Drive, CO16 9RH - Proposed rear and side extension - Recommend approval

20/01280/FUL - Parmenters 115 Holland Road, CO16 9RU - Proposed front boundary treatment and fencing - Recommend Refusal

20/01392/FUL - 153 Harwich Road, Little Clacton, Essex CO16 9NL - Demolition of existing 2-bedroom dwelling and erection of new 4-bedroom dwelling - Recommend Approval

RESOLVED: the month's applications be reported to TDC as per the Planning groups recommendations. Proposed Cllr Botterell Seconded Cllr P Balbirnie – all in favour
Business Group

RESOLVED: that the grants to the Poppy appeal, Parish Fields, Village Hall and a donation to Special Constable for his efforts in the village be approved. (£2600) Proposed Cllr Taylor Seconded Cllr Hull – all in favour.

Cllr M Balbirnie iterated the point that some money should be held back for renovations and improvements to the memorial over time – the Street improvement budget will be used for this.

11/2020 – 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell reported nothing of note.

11/2020 – 11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

Upgrade to the tennis courts has started

Village Hall

Cllr Balbirnie thanked the PC for the Grant - it is much needed and appreciated.

Millennium Green

Cllr M Balbirnie reported that the green is looking good, need to consider some stone for the entrance. Tree needs replacing – waiting for member of public to come back with recommendation for tree.

11/2020 – 12 | Community Needs Analysis

Nothing to report

11/2020 – 13 | District Councillor Report

No report

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11/2020 - 14 | Essex County Councillor Report

No report

11/2020 – 15 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

To receive monthly payments

RESOLVED: the month's cheques be signed. Proposed by Cllr Jeffries Seconded Cllr Taylor – all in favour

RESOLVED: That the Business Groups recommendation of the Clerks pay rise be accepted to scale point 23 upon successful completion of the CILCA. Proposed Cllr Hull Seconded Cllr Botterell – all in favour

11/2020 – 16 | Councillor Vacancy

On agenda for next meeting

11/2020 – 17 | Items for future consideration

Clean up Memorial

Christmas Lights

**The next meeting will be held ONLINE on Monday 7th December at 7.30pm
2020**

**Signed Chairman
07th December 2020**