

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mr D Land

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ONLINE (via Teams)
ON MONDAY,
1st February 2021 AT 7.30 PM**

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

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

District Councillor: Apologies received

Essex County Councillor: not in attendance

No members of the public were in attendance

02/2021 – 01 | Welcome from the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed everyone including Chris Taylor from Outdoor Places.

02/2021 – 02 | Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received this month from Cllr Rowlands, Cllr Bray, Cllr Perkins

02/2021 – 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 Botterell declared an interest in the CCTV upgrade - ongoing for the MUGA refurbishment.

Cllr M Balbirnie declared an interest in a planning application that has been withdrawn on Progress Way.

02/2021 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public

There were none.

02/2021 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 4th January 2020

RESOLVED: The minutes be accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mitchell seconded by Cllr B Ward - all in favour.

02/2021 – 06 | Clerk's Report

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

The Clerk noted income that had come in from Section 106, VAT claims and ECC Devolution.

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02/2021 – 07 | Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave an update on matters concerning the village.

Chairman contacted Dave Prudence at ECC, following on from the meeting in January, he noted that the subject is being discussed with managers in the background at ECC.

The zebra crossing has been given the green light on London Road from the Local Highways Panel which will be funded from section 106 monies.

The MUGA refurb has been affected by flooding on the tennis courts. The Chairman has been in regular contact with the project manager from Outdoor Places and ideas have been put forward. One is a report into the drainage system on the facility through a civil engineering report. Chris Taylor, from Outdoor Places, gave an update on the current situation and that the project has come to a halt owing to sitting water. The current weather conditions have presented the Council with the reality of the situation. It has been a blessing that the situation has been discovered now and not once the new MUGA pitch had been laid.

02/2021 – 08 | Crime and Prevention

Cllr Hull sent a report this month.

The Council had received compensation from the vandalism on Plough Corner Goals where the nets had been cut.

Quad Bike being ridden - Special Constable is keeping tabs.

02/2021 – 09 | Working Party Reports

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Rowland had no report although reported that the signs had been cleaned today (01/02/2021)

Footpaths

Cllr Jeffries said the paths are clear.

Cllr Gray had spoken to residents and letters are going out to local residents about the CCTV install.

Action: Contact highways about the bridge issues – follow up from last month

Streetlights

The Clerk said that lights are being addressed as and when they are brought to our attention.

Highways/Devolution

The Clerk reported that the funds for this year had been received. The Chairman reported that the council will be looking to install the wooden posts that were purchased last year. The posts will be installed along Harwich Road.

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Resolved: The approve the installation of 20 posts along Holland Road by Kendalls (£456 gross). Proposed Cllr J S Daye, Seconded Cllr Hull – all in favour

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.

APPLICATIONS

20/01830/TPO -Land adjacent 3 Edward Close CO16 9PR |
1 No. Oak - reduce crown by 4m, 1 No. Oak - reduce crown by 2.5m

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

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

Business Group

RESOLVED: The approve the quotation from Ingent to undertake to a flooding assessment, £3720 (Gross). Proposed Cllr Botterell, Seconded Cllr J S Daye – all in favour.

RESOLVED: To approve TTSS as the contractor to upgrade the CCTV for the new MUGA pitch, £4893.60 (Gross). Proposed Cllr Hull Seconded Cllr Taylor – all in favour.

RESOLVED: To approve a quotation for the cabinet which will control the CCTV / ACCESS £1336.50 (Gross). Proposed Cllr Smith Daye – Seconded Cllr Ward – all in favour.

02/2021 – 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell noted there was nothing to report this month as no meeting had taken place.

02/2021– 11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

Cllr JS Daye reported that he continues the chase the solicitors about the lease.

Village Hall

Cllr P Balbirnie said there was nothing to report.

Millennium Green

Cllr M Balbirnie said there was nothing to report.

02/2021 – 12 | District Councillor Report

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Cllr Bray sent a report

02/2021 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report

No report.

02/2021 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

To receive monthly payments.

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

RESOLVED: that Clacton Business Services be used for the Internal audit 2020/21. Proposed Cllr Hull, Seconded Cllr Botterell – all in favour

02/2021 – 15 | Items for future consideration

**The next meeting will be held ONLINE on Monday 1st March at 7.30pm
2021**

**Signed Chairman
1st February 2021**