

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mr D Land

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ONLINE (via Teams)
ON MONDAY,
1st March 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: Jeff Bray

Essex County Councillor: not in attendance

No members of the public were in attendance

03/2021 – 01 | Welcome from the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed everyone.

03/2021 – 02 | Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received this month from Cllr Perkins.

03/2021 – 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 J S Daye declared an interest in planning application 2100077/FUL – 14 Holland Road

03/2021 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public

There were none.

03/2021 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 1st February 2020

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

03/2021 – 06 | Clerk's Report

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

Nothing to report

03/2021 – 07 | Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave an update on matters concerning the village.

Kendalls will start the work on the wooden posts along Harwich Road this week.

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03/2021 – 08 | Crime and Prevention

Cllr Hull sent a report this month. Thanks were given for her efforts.

Issue with quad bikes being ridden

The court case in relation to the murder in the village last year has begun

03/2021 – 09 | Working Party Reports

Maintenance and Services

As reported by the Chairman, the bollards along Harwich Road will be installed shortly. Nothing to update on the drainage issues along The Street – will chase ECC.

Footpaths

Cllr Jeffries reported all paths are fine.

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.

Elm Road is in a poor state with holes and depressions appearing throughout the length.

Salt bins – do the council supply?

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

21/00216/FUL – 24 Feverills Road, CO16 9LZ

Erection of single storey side extension (incorporating a new garage) , increased height of existing roof incorporating conversion of roof space into habitable accommodation with 3no. dormer windows to front roof slope and balcony opening to rear

Recommend Approval

21/00181/FUL- Land adjacent to 3 Edward Close, CO16 9PR

Proposed construction of three detached Bungalows

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The plot had previously had two approved building applications for properties, which we have recommended refusal. There would be limited outdoor space, the new builds being shoe-horned onto a relatively small plot. As the local plan and building numbers have been approved we see no reason for this application to be granted.

If approved we would ask that the garages must remain as garages and not be converted into an interior/living space, to maintain the two parking spaces.

Recommend Refusal

21/00145/FUL - 5 Harwich Road, CO16 9ND

Proposed single storey rear extension, enlarge existing front porch with new pitched roof, new brick feature paint and cladding to front elevation, and alter garage roof to be symmetrical.

Recommend Approval

21/00078/FUL - 7 Amerells Road, CO16 9HA

Proposed single storey side and rear extension.

Recommend Approval

21/00077/FUL - 14 Holland Road, CO16 9RS

Proposed single-storey rear extension, first floor side extension, and front roof extension.

Recommend Approval

20/01728/FUL - 184 Harwich Road Little Clacton Clacton On Sea Essex CO16 9PU

Proposed dropped kerb.

This design is excessively wide (5.4metres total) to access the property. Currently no access off the grass verge onto property and therefore will cause additional parking on the verge.

Recommend Refusal

21/00027/FUL - Land adjacent 150 St Osyth Road, CO16 9NX

Two custom built / self-build dwellings

We previously recommend refusal to the previous application 18/01587 as the site falls outside of the settlement area. Not only has this not changed but Tendring now has an agreed Local plan and housing numbers therefore we see no reason to grant planning permission.

Recommend Refusal

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

Business Group

RESOLVED: That a payment be approved of £500 to Parish Fields for ongoing running costs for the past six months. Proposer Cllr Hull Seconded Cllr Taylor, Abstain Cllr J S Daye

RESOLVED: That Kendalls be approved as the contractor for Grounds Maintenance for the next three years. Proposed Cllr J S Daye, Seconded Cllr P Balbirnie – all in favour

03/2021 – 10 | TDALC

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

03/2021– 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 reported that £5000 had been awarded from Cllr Erskine's ECC fund.

TDC have been contacted about further grants, awaiting decision.

An email has been received about the parking on a Saturday evening, visiting the Fish and Chip van.

Millennium Green

Cllr M Balbirnie said she had visited the site, a request has come in for a commemorative bench from a local resident.

Spring flowers are coming up and it looks lovely.

03/2021 – 12 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bray updated on the following points:

Now three vaccination centres, Clacton, Harwich and Walton.

TDC grants are available and some businesses may not be applying – please apply.

03/2021 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report

No report.

03/2021 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

To receive monthly payments.

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

03/2021 – 15 | Items for future consideration

50 years of the Great Festival – any plans for a celebration?

**The next meeting will be held ONLINE on Monday 12th April at 7.30pm
2021**

Signed Chairman

1st March 2021