

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER
ON MONDAY,
01st August 2022 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

Councillors: P Balbirnie, M Balbirnie, D Botterell, L Gray, G Duffett,

District Councillor: Cllr Bray

Essex County Councillor: Cllr Dan Land

5 members of the public were in attendance.

08/2022 – 01 | Welcome

Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

08/2022 – 02 | Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Smith-Daye, Jeffries, Taylor, Hull, Steele and Mitchell.

08/2022 – 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 had declared a pecuniary interest in relation to payment for services to the council.

08/2022 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public

No comments.

08/2022 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 4th July 2022

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

08/2022 – 06 | Clerk’s Report / Correspondence

The Clerk reported on the following matters:

- thanks received from St.Osyth Road East resident about the hedge
- thanks received for the MUGA (Resident)
- thanks received for the Jubilee Coins (Engaines School)

08/2022 – 07 | Chairman’s Report

The Chairman reported on the following matters:

- Chairman met with the new Head at Engaines. Many things discussed including Millennium Green, MUGA, events. Need a mini bus.

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- meeting took place with the grass cutting contractors and our dissatisfaction with the works so far this year
- the cancelled Jubilee event for the kids is now going ahead on August 20th
- new format for the car boot sales was successful in generating more pitches

08/2022 – 08 | Crime and Prevention

Cllr Hull gave an update from data/local intelligence and our Special Constable Tony Rowntree, to whom we give thanks.

08/2022 – 09 | Working Party / Committee Reports

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Mitchell submitted a report:

Proposal to have the wooden posts on London Road replaced by Bentley Landscapes for a cost of £316. Proposed Cllr Botterell, Seconded Cllr Gray – all in favour.

Proposal for £2200 for the painting around the village. Proposed Cllr Botterell, Seconded Cllr Duffett – all in favour.

Footpaths

Cllr Jeffries and Gray reported the following matters in relation to the footpaths:

The paths that have been cut look great and are wider than has been seen for many years.

Streetlights

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

Highways/Devolution.

Awaiting to see if the pilot will continue.

Planning

To consider the planning applications received from Tendring District Council
Councillor J Taylor report was out the comments made by the Planning Group on the applications listed below.

APPLICATIONS

22/01050/FUL - Land rear of the Willows, Thorpe Road, CO16 9RZ

Proposed erection of 7 no. dwellings

Recommend approval

22/01118/FUL - Plot 3, Land rear of Holly Lodge, Bettys Green Road, CO16 9NH

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Proposed erection of 1 dwelling (Variation to design of dwelling as approved under 18/00872/DETAIL and 20/01073/DETAIL).
Recommend refusal

22/01102/FUL - Plot 2, Land rear of Holly Lodge, Bettys Green Road, CO16 9NH
Proposed erection of 1 dwelling (Variation to design of dwelling as approved under 18/00872/DETAIL and 20/01073/DETAIL).
Recommend Refusal

Resolved: the month's applications be reported to TDC as per the Planning groups recommendations. Proposed Cllr P Balbirne, Seconded M Balbirnie – all in favour.

Business Group

Report received from the drainage engineers, now need to speak with contractors again for revised quotes.

Grass Cutting Contract

The chairman has met with the company. Following these and other discussions by the Parish Council, a motion was proposed to leave the contract once the last cut is complete in November 2022.

Resolved: that LCPC leaves the contract in the times agreed and seeks alternative contractors from next year (2023). Proposed Cllr P Balbirnie, Seconded Cllr Cutting – all in favour

08/2022 – 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell updated – new Chair and Vice Chair appointed. Looking at the group and how it operates.

08/2022– 11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

Invoice to be presented in person to air cadets.

Outdoor spaces have been contacted about a couple of little issues on the courts.

Village Hall

Cllr P Balbirnie noted:

- overgrowth down the side of the hall needs addressing
- anti-social behaviour issues

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- barn dances to return

Millennium Green

Cllr M Balbirnie reported on the following matters:

- grass long
- chicks ringed, recorded and fledged

08/2022 – 12 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bray reported on the following matters:

- fly-tipping in Tan Lane
- fires in Holland Road matter sits with TDC enforcement
- Betts Green Road, new applications, highly likely to call-in

08/2022 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report

Cllr Land reported on the following matters:

- zebra Crossing received funding from LHP
- fly tipping in Tan Lane

08/2022 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

Resolved: that the month's cheques be signed. Proposed by Cllr M Balbirnie, Seconded Cllr Duffett – all in favour.

08/2022 – 15 | Items for future Consideration

Meeting Closed 20:37pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th September at 7.30pm, 2022

Signed Chairman