

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER
ON MONDAY,
07th August 2023 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

Councillors: P Balbirnie, M Balbirnie, D Botterell, L Gray, D Hull, C Amor, J Taylor

District Councillor: Jeff Bray

Essex County Councillor: Dan Land

6 members of the public were in attendance.

08/2023 – 01 | Welcome

Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

08/2023 – 02 | Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Jeffries and Mitchell JS Daye, Steele, Bray

08/2023 – 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 relation to payments on

08/2023 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public

MOP asked about pavements from Springfield Meadow up to plough corner and beyond in the village. County Councillor to ask about this.

MOP thanked for the hedges being cut along the street and asked if the other side of the street could be done. Mr Barrington Fuller was in attendance and said he would look into it as the owner of the land.

07/2023 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 17th May and 5th June 2023

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

07/2023 – 06 | Clerk’s Report / Correspondence

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

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07/2023 – 07 | Chairman’s Report

The Chairman gave an update on the following matters concerning the village:
Arranged for a seat in bus shelter opposite Morrisons local. Its fitted and has a plaque in situ.

Cleared signs on Harwich Road and Tan Lane

New CCTV camera in St Osyth Road East is in operation now.

New concrete slab to be placed for the memorial bench for John Dunnett.

07/2023 – 08 | Crime and Prevention

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

07/2022 – 09 | Working Party / Committee Reports

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Mitchell sent apologies:

Footpaths

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

Bridal way to elm road is overgrown – Cllr Land has enquired as it is a bridal way and has been.

Streetlights

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

Cllr Land said a couple of units had been fixed during the month.

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

23/00917/FULHH - 23 Holland Road, CO16 9RT

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Proposed loft conversion including 2 No. front pitched roof dormers and 2 No. velux roof-lights and single storey rear extension (Following demolition of extension.) Recommend Approval

23/00928/VOC - Clovis, Thorrington Road, CO16 9ES Application under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act, to allow a variation of condition 2 (Approved drawings) of 22/01628/FUL to change design of roof. Discharge of condition 10 (provision of water, energy & resource efficiency measures) of 22/01628/FUL. Recommend Approval

23/00936/FULHH - 190 Harwich Road, CO16 9PU Proposed rear and side extension and new roof. Recommend Approval

23/00931/COUNOT - Land to the rear of 110 Harwich Road - Prior Approval Application under part 3, Class Q of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) for proposed conversion of 3 no. existing barns in to 4no. two-bedroom dwellings - Recommend Refusal

23/00996/WTPO – 35 Sunnyside Way CO16 9PE. 1 No. Oak – fell - Recommend Refusal

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

Business Group

No meeting last month.

07/2022 – 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell updated that the energy upgrades coning across the district (pylons) were the main talking point and there is grave concern from Parish Councils across Tendring.

07/2022– 11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

The car boots have not been well attended, weather affected. Will look to revamp the operation next year. The lease is still ongoing and proving challenging.

Village Hall

Cllr P Balbirnie noted:

- bookings strong
- roundabout is squeaking and needs a grease

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- the bush along the street is untidy and needs a cut back
- TDC play equipment came back as all elements low level risk

Millennium Green

Cllr M Balbirnie noted:

- AGM has taken place, Mavis to do a soft handover to Jo Taylor and Chris Amor
- the gate was broken and youths also attempted to disrupt the bird nesting boxes
- thanks to those who helped fix and replace the gate
- MOP said the princes trust has a wild flower application process

07/2022 – 12 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bray noted the following points:

- Northfalls and Five Estuaries projects and now a third will be the biggest engineering project this district has ever seen. All Councils and Councillors are objecting and do not want this.

07/2022 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report

Cllr Land reported on the following points:

- North Falls
- Pot holes have been fixed in Plough Corner

07/2022 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

To agree the monthly payments.

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

07/2022 – 18 | Items for future Consideration

Cllr Gray sent thanks to the resident who waters the plants up by the church.

Little Clacton 19 Elm Road, now has a drop of point for Tendring Recycling Scheme.

The camera is now deployed and available for areas of the village.

Remove the coronation poster from notice board.

Painter to be contacted re decorating of the hall

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Meeting Closed 21:00pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday 4st September at 7.30pm, 2023

Signed Chairman