

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER
ON MONDAY,
04th July 2022 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

Councillors: P Balbirnie, M Balbirnie, D Botterell, J Taylor, L Gray, J S Daye, G Duffett, J, D Steele, D Hull

District Councillor:

Essex County Councillor: Dan Land

12 members of the public were in attendance.

07/2022 – 01 | Welcome

Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

07/2022 – 02 | Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bray, Jeffries and Mitchell.

07/2022 – 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.

Cllrs Duffett and Mitchell declared a pecuniary interest in relation to payment for services to the council.

07/2022 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public

James from Bentley Landscapes attended and provided information on their services and their aspirations to be part of any tender process moving forward.

Tracey Patrick attended and asked about the decision made against her potential tea room. The Chairman explained that ‘parking’ was the key consideration around the decision that was voted on by Councillors.

Mr Bilcox attended and thanked the Council for the footpath being cut to such a high standard. He also reported that there had been no more fires.

Mrs Cockle 50 St Osyth Road East, Tarmac has been laid and it is poorly done, rubbish is thrown into the property.

Mrs Dunford asked about the dog litter bin around Lays Drive.

07/2022 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 6th June 2022

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

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07/2022 – 06 | Clerk’s Report / Correspondence

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

Five Estuaries Wind Farm

ECC Grass contribution

Conservation area consultations

Annual returns

07/2022 – 07 | Chairman’s Report

The Chairman gave an update on the following matters concerning the village:

As and when items come up Chair to contribute.

07/2022 – 08 | Crime and Prevention

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

Speedwatch has been active and caught a driver doing 53 in Harwich Road, Special Constable was in attendance and prosecuted.

07/2022 – 09 | Working Party / Committee Reports

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Mitchell submitted a report:

Cllr Mitchell sent in a report which was read out.

A member of the public who works for Bentley Contracts said he would have the overgrowth cut back on St. Osyth Road East

Get a proposal from the painter to do the benches etc around the village Proposed Cllr Steele, Seconded Cllr Botterell – 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.

Cllr Mitchell and the clerk to have a trip around the village to check lights.

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Highways/Devolution.

Awaiting to see if the pilot will continue.

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

22/00965/FULHH - 53 Holland Road Little Clacton Clacton On Sea Essex CO16 9RT Pro-
posed single storey rear extension with glazed roof lantern

Recommend Approval

22/00904/FUL - Plot 4 Land rear of Holly Lodge Betts Green Road CO16 9NH. Proposed
erection of 1 dwelling (Variation to design of dwelling as approved under 18/00872/DET
and 20/01073/DET)

Raising roof - Recommend Refusal

22/00901/FUL - Plot 6 Land rear of Holly Lodge Betts Green Road CO16 9NH

Resubmission of application 21/01856/FUL for proposed erection of 1 dwelling (Variation
to design of dwelling as approved under 18/00872/DETAIL and 20/01073/DETAIL). | Plot 6
Land rear of Holly Lodge Betts Green Road Little Clacton Clacton On Sea Essex CO16 9NH

Raising roof - Recommend Refusal

22/00962/DISCON - Oakwood Park Land to The East of Thorpe Road
Discharge of conditions 4 (Off-Site Flooding) and 11 (Construction Method Statement) of
application 20/00179/FUL.

Recommend approval

22/01028/TELLIC - Outside 50 Feverills Road CO16 9LZ

Proposed installation of fixed line broadband electronic communications apparatus.

No Comment

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

Business Group

We still await the report from the contractors in relation to the car park.

Grass Cutting Contract

The chairman has read through the contracts and there is a 3-month notice release clause. Cllr P Balbirnie raised the issue that the contract is not being adhered to and we should leave early. Chairman said he would propose that the contract be studied by the Business Group who will make a recommendation to the council. Proposed Cllr P Balbirnie Seconded Cllr Hull – all in favour. Clerk to send out contract to Cllrs and an official letter to the company in writing saying we would like a meeting. Seek legal advice from TDC.

07/2022 – 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell updated – nothing to report.

07/2022– 11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

The accounts have been done and submitted to charity commission. Football interest is high, no update on the lease contract, Air Cadets have been invoiced.

Village Hall

Cllr P Balbirnie noted:

- hirers are on the up
- further works have taken place to ease overhanging branches etc
- crime issue is with Clacton Police, new door required

Millennium Green

Cllr M Balbirnie noted:

- grass is 3 foot high, contract is not being kept to by the contractors
- dog poo is an issue
- kestrels will be leaving home soon
- look at bollards for grassed area

07/2022 – 12 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bray sent his apologies.

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07/2022 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report

Cllr Land reported on the following points:

- LHP to decide on the funding for zebra crossing, if accepted will be done in July
- NEPP Chair
- Sladburys and Harwich Road schemes have been validated
- Footbridge reported to ECC
New development on Thorpe Road, the road is poor

07/2022 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

To agree the monthly payments.

Resolved: that the month's cheques be signed. Proposed by Cllr Botterell, Seconded Cllr JS Daye – all in favour.

Resolved: that £1000 be awarded to look into seating options for the field. Proposed Cllr js Daye, Seconded Cllr P Balbirnie – all in favour

07/2022 – 18 | Items for future Consideration

Contact School about the bins

Number 65 Harwich Road – building materials outside

Lady from the whist group has asked if the disabled bay can be painted

Car boot volunteers needed

Post Jubilee party for the children

Meeting Closed 20:56pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday 1st August at 7.30pm, 2022

Signed Chairman