

**LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Clerk: Mr D Land**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER**  
**ON MONDAY,**  
**4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 AT 7.30 PM**

**PRESENT:**

**Chairperson:** J Cutting

**Councillors:** M Balbirnie, P Balbirnie, D Botterell, J Taylor, D Steele, L Gray, C Amor, D Hull, G Duffett

**District Councillor:** Jeff Bray

**Essex County Councillor:** Dan Land

8 members of the public were in attendance.

**03/2024 – 01 | Welcome from the Chairman**

The Chairman welcomed everyone.

**03/2024 – 02 | Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs Mitchell and Jeffries

**03/2024 – 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.

**03/2024 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public**

A MOP reported pot holes on Harwich Road and Tan Lane.

A MOP reported street lights out Talbot Road. One outside Maymeed and Talbots

**03/2024 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

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

**03/2024 – 06 | Clerk’s Report / Correspondence**

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

- Defib – repair and registration
- Dog use on the playing field trust playing field
- Bus Survey
- Common land identification - memorial green / John Dunnett.

**Resolved:** that up to £1000 is agreed to put in the concrete base for the K6 phone box. Proposed Cllr Botterell, Seconded Cllr Amor

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**03/2024 – 07 | Chairman’s Report**

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

- Solar investigation has been the focus of the month – reported on later in the agenda

**03/2024 – 08 | Crime and Prevention**

Cllr Hull sent a report this month. A number of incidents were read out. Thanks were given.

**03/2024 – 09 | Working Party / Committee Reports**

**Maintenance and Services**

Cllr Mitchell sent his apologies.

**Footpaths**

Cllr Gray reported that all is looking good, they are still maintaining width but very muddy.

**Streetlights**

The Clerk noted that there were no other lights of concern other than that raised by MOP in the meeting.

**Planning**

To consider the planning applications received from Tendring District Council Councillor. Cllr Taylor read out a report and recommendations.

24/00284/WTPO - 35 Sunnyside Way CO16 9PE

Trees in a Conservation Area Notification - Oak Tree - Reduction of overall size and cut back of lower branches.

No indication of planned level of cutting or ill health of tree

Recommend Refusal

24/00205/LBC - Reedlands Cottage Holland Road CO16 9RX

Demolition of existing garage, and construction of new annexe on same footprint (alternative to approved 22/01902/LBC and 22/01903/FULHH).

Recommend Approval

24/00204/FULHH - Reedlands Cottage Holland Road CO16 9RX

Demolition of existing garage, and construction of new annexe on same footprint (alternative to approved planning 22/01902/LBC and 22/01903/FULHH).

Recommend Approval

24/00161/FUL - Land South of Holland Road

Erection of 50 no. dwellings complete with estate roads, public open and garaging.

Recommend Approval

24/00123/VOC - Crossways Thorpe Road Little Clacton Essex CO16 9RZ

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Variation of Condition 2 of planning permission 19/01598/FUL to ensure condition 2 relates to amended drawings.  
Recommend Approval

**Resolved:** the month's applications were reported with the planning groups recommendations. Proposed Cllr Duffett, Seconded Cllr C Amor – all in favour.

**Business Group**

A discussion took place on the possible options for further playground equipment on parish fields. Trim trails and outdoor gym equipment are being discussed.

Solar installation update: Cllr Amor has been in touch with a number of companies who are providing quotes for consideration.

Village Summer event – talks continue, could the carnival be revived, further discussions ongoing.

**03/2024 – 10 | TDALC**

Cllr Botterell said that there was nothing of note on this occasion.

**03/2024– 11 | Committee Reports**

**Little Clacton Playing Field Trust**

The lease is back with the solicitors.

MUGA bookings continue to be strong.

Another car show organiser has made contact wanting to hire the field.

**Village Hall**

Cllr P Balbirnie noted that a new snooker club is looking to start-up, Sundays have availability currently, funding is required to address issues identified in a recent inspection.

**Millennium Green**

Cllr Taylor noted that three new trees have been planted, the wild turf area had been marked out and the area is being well used.

**03/2024 – 12 | District Councillor Report**

Cllr Bray reported that things have been quiet in recent times, continue to keep an eye of local developments that cause public concern, including Holland and Amerells Road. The budget has just been agreed at TDC and the council looks to be in a sound financial position.

The new political group setup now has 3 members

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Local Plan committee has a new member – Cllr Bray is back where he made his name and fighting for us here.

Hedge along the Street - can this be pursued to be cut again please.

**03/2024 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report**

Cllr Land reported on the following points:

- Pot holes fixed, Feverills, Plough Corner, Harwich Road,
- Hedges have been cut along Tan Lane and Harwich Road
- Speed limit is to be extended past the new bungalows on Tan Lane
- I continue to lobby about rubbish on Tan Lane and Thorpe/Holland Road

**03/2024 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation**

To receive monthly payments.

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

**03/2024 – 15 | Items for future consideration**

Notice of current and previous Chairs

Pétanque

**Meeting Closed pm**

**The next meeting will be held on Monday**

**Signed Chairman**