

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER
ON MONDAY,
7th November 2022 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

Councillors: M Balbirnie, P Balbirnie, D Botterell, J Taylor, J Jeffries, A Mitchell, G Duffett, L Gray, J S Daye, D Steele, J S Daye.

District Councillor: Jeff Bray

Essex County Councillor: Dan Land

9 members of the public were in attendance.

11/2022 – 01 | Welcome from the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed everyone.

11/2022 – 02 | Apologies for Absence

Cllr Hull

11/2022 – 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 Botterell and Mitchell declared pecuniary interests.

11/2022 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public

Bridge over the bypass has issues and is dangerous.

Style over bridal path is dangerous for dogs on St.Osyth Road East.

Action: report to Essex County Council

ACTION: letter to TDC to be kept up to date.

ACTION: look at a sign for the path to warn dogs

ACTION: number 57 on junction to St.Osyth Road Easy and Leys Drive

Kevin Green from Kevin Green Scapes produced his quote for the car park.

11/2022 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 4th October 2021

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

11/2022 – 06 | Clerk’s Report / Correspondence

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

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matters of interest.

11/2022 – 07 | Chairman’s Report

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

- outplaces have come back and undertaken some snagging to the MUGA
- the zebra crossing is complete
- Christmas Tree has been ordered and will be planted in the village for the future
- good response for the tea club – grant has been applied for

11/2022 – 08 | Crime and Prevention

Cllr Hull sent a report this month. Thanks were given as always.

- seven incidents within the month

11/2022 – 09 | Working Party / Committee Reports

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Mitchell noted that some repairs had been done around the village, a meeting will take place about the Christmas Tree. Could we have a ‘one-off’ cut before the end of the year?

Footpaths

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

- all ok, paths clear although the mud is appearing now. Barbed wire has fallen over the footpath next to the Black Smith Arms.

Action: contact Hayes Garage

Streetlights

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

A few have been repaired/replaced over the month.

Highways/Devolution.

Money has been received for the year 2021-22.

We await the scheme to be reborn.

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.

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

Business Group

A meeting has taken place to discuss the budget for 2023-2024. Cllr JS Daye noted that until we know the tax base from TDC, we are still looking a small proposed increase in line on the inflationary pressures.

11/2022 – 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell noted that there had been no meeting.

11/2022– 11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

The fields are operating well, some snagging has been fixed in the MUGA and no news on the land registry as yet.

Village Hall

Cllr P Balbirnie noted that a door has been made for the hall to remedy the damage that took place.

Millennium Green

Cllr M Balbirnie reported that the weed volunteers have been over, thanks to the Chairman, Jo and Lyn for their help.

11/2022 – 12 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bray updated that TDC are undertaking a full appraisal of conservation areas. They are looking at buildings/owners that might fall under this category to come forward. Betts Green Road appeal was allowed and costs were also included. Problem at the bottom of Grove Road is being investigated, the owner is now known and the signs that were erected should not have been put up. The self-build in Tan Lane is too far outside of the boundary. Been contacted by the care home about poor parking. Enforcement issues in Holland Road have abated. Will attend remembrance Sunday service.

11/2022 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report

Cllr Land reported on the following points:

- Holland road speeding

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11/2022 – 15 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

To receive monthly payments.

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

11/2021 – 17 | Items for future consideration

A service will take place from 9.45am at the memorial on Sunday November 13th.

Meeting Closed 20:22pm

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

Signed Chairman