

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL  
Clerk: Mr D Land

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER  
ON MONDAY,  
2<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 7.30 PM

**PRESENT:**

**Chairperson:** J Cutting

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

**District Councillor:**

**Essex County Councillor:** Dan Land

5 members of the public were in attendance.

**09/2024 – 01 | Welcome**

Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**09/2024 – 02 | Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Steele, JS Daye, Mitchell, Jeffries.

**09/2024 – 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.

**09/2024 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public**

MOP thanked the hall team for the bins and asked if they would be emptied.

MOP asked about the hedge along The Street. Proposed to lodge a formal complaint to the County Council in writing over safety matters.

**09/2024 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> August 2024**

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

**09/2024 – 06 | Clerk’s Report / Correspondence**

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

- cutting by the church
- quotes for ivy to be removed from the island oak tree by church
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**09/2024 – 07 | Chairman’s Report**

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

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- contacted Cllr Bray about the fly-tips and that matter is still going through the system via TDC
- report of unstable branches on Galloway Drive and the John Dunnett memorial garden

**09/2024 – 08 | Crime and Prevention**

Cllr Hull gave an update from data/local intelligence. Crime has increased slightly on the month of June but no more than this time last year.

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

**Maintenance and Services**

Cllr Mitchell reported on the following:

- another round of bulbs planting to take place, thanks to Mr Roper for a further generous donation.

**Footpaths**

Cllr Gray reported all ok with the footpaths.

**Streetlights**

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

**Planning**

To consider the planning applications received from Tendring District Council.  
Councillor Taylor read out the monthly plans.

**APPLICATIONS**

24/01233/LBDISC - Reedlands Cottage Holland Road CO16 9RX  
ischarge of conditions application for 24/00200/LBC - Condition 3 (Heritage).  
Recommend approval

24/01217/FULHH - 12 Christopher Drive CO16 9RJ  
householder Planning Application - Single storey side extension (following removal of existing garage).  
Recommend approval

24/01256/FULHH - 6 The Street  
Householder Planning Application - Hip to gable roof extension to front and rear roof slope (following removal of existing rear box dormer) and new box dormer to side elevation.  
Recommend approval

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

**Business Group**

Nothing to report

**Village Projects**

Christmas lights to be erected – string around the John Dunnett Memorial Garden  
Cllr Hull mentioned about a Pétanque court – can we look into this moving forward.

**Solar Update**

Cllr Amor gave a brief update on the project. He has moved forward with the two contracts and we await 'payback'.

**09/2024 – 10 | TDALC**

Cllr Botterell updated that the last meeting spoke heavily on the pylons project.

**09/2024– 11 | Committee Reports**

**Little Clacton Playing Field Trust**

Very busy time with many events taking place over the summer  
Lease is moving forward

**Village Hall**

Cllr P Balbirnie noted:

- the hall is well booked throughout the week
- awaiting S106 monies from TDC for the painting of the park
- issue with damp which is being resolved
- hedge on the perimeter is due to be done soon

**Millenium Green**

Cllr Taylor noted:

- the wild flower area is due to be fenced
- an incident where a young child was knocked over by a dog

**09/2024 – 12 | District Councillor Report**

Cllr Bray mentioned: Apologies received.

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**09/2024 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report**

Cllr Land reported on the following points:

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**09/2024 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation**

To agree the monthly payments.

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

**09/2024 – 15 | Items for future Consideration**

**Meeting Closed 20:20pm**

**The next meeting will be held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024, 7:30pm**

**Signed Chairman**