

CLIFTON CAMPVILLE WITH THORPE CONSTANTINE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 11th July 2023 @ 7pm
In the Clifton Campville village hall

Present: Cllr Green (chairman), Cllr R Leedham, Cllr Amsden, Cllr Bostock, Cllr Nicholls, Cllr E Leedham. Sue Hughes (Clerk).

Also present: County Cllr Alan White, and 2 members of the public.

1. **Apologies** – Cllr Bennion

2. **Co-opt new member** –

Robert Leedham was co-opted as a member back on to the Parish Council.

Proposed by Cllr Nicholls and seconded by Cllr Amsden.

A declaration of acceptance was signed and witnessed by the Chairman.

3. **Declaration of interest** - None

4. **Members of the public & County Councillor**

A member of the public thanked PC members for the new speed indicator signs commenting they were welcomed and seemed to be working well.

A member of the public asked if there was any more development with The Green Man planning application and they were advised that there was nothing more to report at this time.

County Cllr Alan White introduced himself and asked members to share any questions/concerns they may have. Cllr R Leedham asked about the ongoing frustrations, previously raised, about poor road repairs. Cllr White firstly spent time explaining budgets and spends and the limited amount of money available. Cllr White had considered road repairs (reported) to be inadequate and had invited Highway Inspectors, who now work for SCC to a look. Prior to the meeting, the Clerk had sent some images of inadequate repairs completed within the last few weeks to Cllr White and he acknowledges these and will investigate. Conversations with AMEY representatives are taking place regarding the standard of repairs for the roads, this is ongoing.

Cllr Bostock asked If you report a pothole, then subsequently damage your vehicle in the same pothole, are you eligible to make a claim to Highways for the damage? Cllr White will confirm an answer on this.

Cllr White asked to be informed if reported issues were not being dealt with or if repairs are inadequate and he will investigate this.

Cllr White shared that work was ongoing with relation to the flooding issues in the village and this would continue to try and improve this situation. It is believed work is currently taking place by Severn Trent too.

Cllr Bostock commented that local farmers do a lot to remove excess water and that help should be given by SCC to them and this work was acknowledged by Cllr White but replied that there was no funding available for this.

Cllr White asked members if they could help with details of landowner's names in regards to proposal for the widening for Lullington bridge. This will information, when found, will be sent to him

5. **Minutes of the previous meeting** - 9th May 2023
These were circulated before the meeting, taken as read and signed as a true record by The Chairman. These minutes will be posted on the website.
6. **Finance** – All circulated before and during the meeting
Balance of account **£34750.50** @ 15.6.2023 – Statements shared with members
Payments approved for:
£250.00 Chairman expense for 2023
£33.50 Clerks expense for June/July 2023
£22.98 Cllr E Leedham – SIDs supplies
£21.34 Cllr R Green – SIDs supplies
7. **Highways/Ground maintenance**
a. New Speed Indicator Device (SIDS). Cllr E Leedham shared some reports with members from 27/6/23-10/7/23 that the camera had picked up.
9230 incoming vehicles (average: 710 vehicles/day)
9144 outgoing vehicles (average: 703 vehicles/day)
Overall average incoming speed: 27.25 mph
Overall average outgoing speed: 31.08 mph
Maximum recorded incoming speed - 59 mph (10/07 at 7pm)
Maximum recorded outgoing speed - 65 mph (03/07 at 11pm)
Further reports will be shared with members.
All members acknowledged the hard work done by Cllr E Leedham and Cllr Green to install the new SID's and they were thanked for this.
A spare handbook, cable and key supplied with the devices was given to Cllr Green to keep and originals are being kept by Cllr E Leedham for maintenance.
- b.** 'Parish Council representation to the Highway Authority under Section 130(6) of the Highway Act 1980 regarding unlawful obstruction of highways'.
Cllr Nicholls reiterated that the PC has the power to use the above and highways are obliged to remove obstructions.
Members discussed current road/path obstructions.
Cllr Bostock will speak to the owner in Main St where there is an obstruction view from Coppice Lane to ask if help is required to remove it.
Cllr R Leedham will speak to the owner of a property towards Haunton about the removal of an obstruction that is on their land.
Cllr Nicholls will contact local Farm regarding the hedge overhanging onto the pavement.
8. **Allotment**
Plot 9 is under repair ready and this should be completed in the next few weeks.
Cllr's Nicholls and Cllr R Leedham visited the allotment to do the annual judging.
It was reported that sadly, many of the plots are in need of improvement and a more detailed report will follow.
The results of the judging will be shared with allotment holders, and these are:
1st - No. 11. 2nd – No. 6. 3rd – No. 5, 4th – No. 2

9. **St Andrews School**

Cllr Bostock recently visited the school to judge and present prizes to the children for a 'litter pick' poster competition. Cllr Bostock reported that the efforts made by the children were wonderful and it was very hard to pick 3 winners.

The Clerk will write to the school to thank the children for all their hard work and inform the school that the PC wishes to continue to support the school and encourage this competition to take place next year.

10. **Planning**

Application No: 23/00599/FUH - (Full Application (Householder))

Applicant: Mr Jack Ayres

Location: 1 Coppice Lane, Clifton Campville, Tamworth, Staffordshire

Proposal: Alterations, extensions and creation of first floor to form a 4 bedroom dormer bungalow - **No objections made**

11. **Asset maintenance and being face of the PC**

Register for tasks and shared responsibilities completed and is, in brief:

Highways/Flooding – Cllr's R Leedham/Bennion

Planning – Cllr Nicholls

Village furniture – Cllr's Amsden/Bostock in CC, Nicholls/Bennion in Haunton

Allotments – Cllr's R Leedham/Amsden/Nicholls

SID's – Cllr E Leedham

Face of the PC for:

Millennium Green – Cllr Amsden

St Andrews school – Cllr Bostock

BKV/Village Hall Haunton – Cllr Nicholls

Village Hall Clifton – Cllr R Leedham

12. **Financial regulation policy -**

All members approved to following:

Increase expenditure for Clerk to incur on behalf of the Council which is necessary to carry out any repair replacement or other work which is of such extreme urgency that it must be done at once, whether or not there is any budgetary provision for the expenditure, subject to a limit of £500, previously £200.

Meeting concluded at 8:55pm

Next meeting 12th September 2023