



Claypole Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 6th May 7.00pm remotely due to the coronavirus pandemic.

20/40	<p>Present John Briggs (JB), John Freeman (JF), Stephen Jarman (SJ), Martin Round (MR), Claire Simmonds (CS, Chair) and Mark Sweet (MS). County Councillor Alexander Maughan and District Councillor Paul Wood also attended together with the clerk. No members of the public had expressed an interest in joining the meeting via video link.</p>	
20/41	<p>Welcome The Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting and advised that for the foreseeable future meetings would be held via a suitable social media platform due to the coronavirus. An alternative platform would be looked at for the next meeting as concerns by two councillors had been expressed about security levels on Zoom and for one of these councillors the use of Zoom was not acceptable by the company he is employed by. The meeting had been advertised in the usual way and members of the public had been invited to contact the clerk for logging on details.</p>	
20/42	<p>Apologies and Reasons for Absence Apologies had been received from Councillors Furey and Harrington-Halstead as they were not prepared to use Zoom, the social media platform due to concerns about security. Cllr Bignell was absent. The chairperson welcomed all to the meeting</p>	
20/43	<p>Declarations of Interest Cllr Simmonds declared a personal interest in all items involving the village hall as she is on the village hall committee.</p>	
20/44	<p>Notes of the last Parish Council Meeting The notes of the meeting held on 5th February to be signed. The notes of the meeting held on 11th March were accepted as a true and accurate record, proposed JF, seconded by SJ and will be signed by the Chairperson. There had been no meeting in April due to the virus.</p>	
20/45	<p>Clerk's and Councillors' Reports The clerk submitted her report prior to the meeting to all councillors. Main points:</p>	
20/45-1	The Zoom offer of £5.99 per month has now expired- LALC were not informed of this, it is now £7.99 per month provided 10 councils subscribe.	
20/45-2	Cemetery- a very upset lady rang to say people were letting their dogs run loose and foul areas in the cemetery. Signage and noticeboard to be looked into.	
20/45-3	Footpath and style at end of Welfen Lane- style has been vandalised to deter walkers, the police have been informed. I have put the public rights of way on web site and FB and will deal with any queries via Andrew Savage LCC.	Clerk
20/45-4	A lady reported that dogs were not being kept under control when walking	



20/45-5	along Cross Lane early one morning. Still waiting for football club to reimburse PC £60 for an early cutting of pitches.	Clerk
20/45-6	Newsletter will not be delivered to residents in Claypole for May- copies will be available at the shop.	
20/45-7	Chancel tax insurance- the insurance company say it is not an insurance matter. I have sent them the info that PF had sent me and will keep chasing up.	Clerk
20/45-8	The Chairperson had submitted her report on the support network during this pandemic. Main points: The Claypole Support Network has been registered with the County Emergency Centre (CEC) There is a designated e mail and phone number. To date contacted by 22 households, others are being supported by neighbours on an ad hoc basis. Various levels of support are being offered and contact is made every 10-14 days.	
20/45-9	Local businesses offering delivery services are being promoted during this period on the FB page. Easter eggs were donated and distributed to residents.	
20/45-10	Vulnerable residents are receiving weekly food parcels.	
20/45-11	LCC has provided a grant of £300 and in lieu of any 75 th anniversary of VE day, a team of volunteers delivered 48 scones/ tea etc to residents. Grateful thanks were expressed to the Chairperson for organising this.	
20/46	Future Meetings Due to the coronavirus pandemic- it was AGREED to approve the following resolutions:	
20/46-1	a) The Annual PC Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting be postponed until May 2021. Roles and responsibilities will continue as currently set out – agreed unanimously.	
20/46-2	b) Meetings until September (or later depending on government legislation) to be held remotely via an agreed platform, press and public invited to attend as normal- agreed unanimously JB raised the question about cemetery charges, these will be reviewed at the next meeting.	
20/47	Claypole Community Park Cllr Freeman had submitted his report prior to the meeting to all Cllrs. Main points:	
20/47-1	There was one extra item of funding requiring approval which was circulated after the report but prior to the meeting, this being for tennis nets and posts for £681.00. Main points are:	
20/47-2	Cricket square – this has been laid and the cricket club is very happy with it and will be undertaking the routine maintenance work.	
20/47-3	Currently awaiting the contractor to return to install a water tap adjacent to the cricket square. A pipe has been laid to extend the water supply from the tap in the children’s play area. John Padley has been asked to make the water connection urgently so that when the contractor’s work is complete, the square can be irrigated as needed.	
20/47-4	MUGA – The funding agreement from FCC has now been received and	



<p>20/47-5</p> <p>20/47-6</p>	<p>signed-off by JF.</p> <p>Alternatives to installing a coin operated control box for the lighting have been investigated– largely because of security. This was in the original funding bid and the funding from FCC includes a total of £3349.25 for that work. A control using a pre-paid hourly card is a much cheaper option and easier to install, price received of £364 and a further £126 for a secure wall-mounted weather-proof cabinet to put it in – total £490.</p> <p>Replacing the existing lights with LEDs would be more effective and cheaper to run. A quote has been received for £3356. Under the terms of the agreement, JF has asked FCC whether they would be prepared to agree to vary the terms of the work to be completed and allow the £3349.25 to be counted towards the cost of this work if the PC were to fund the balance (£496.75). JF recommended that this new higher standard of lighting, covered by a new guarantee, represented good value for just £496.75. This of course depends upon FCC agreeing to this variation, if it was refused, the PC would proceed with the £490 option and FCC would make a saving on their grant.</p>	
<p>20/48</p> <p>20/48-1</p> <p>20/48-2</p> <p>20/48-3</p> <p>20/48-4</p>	<p>Village Hall</p> <p>The chairperson had submitted her report prior to the meeting. Main points are:</p> <p>The hall is currently closed due to the coronavirus, all regular activities have ceased, ad hoc bookings cancelled and in house events will be reviewed periodically and in line with guidelines.</p> <p>A £1000 grant has been received from Small Business Grants and Retail.</p> <p>Car park lottery tickets after a good start have slowed down</p> <p>A scheme of repairs/ maintenance is being prepared while the hall is not being used and will be carried out if isolation guidelines can be adhered to.</p>	<p>CS</p>
<p>20/49</p> <p>20/49-1</p>	<p>Cemetery</p> <p>Area where spoil was - clerk had received one quote to reseed/re turf the area from FA Landscapes Further quotations will be obtained once legislation regarding the coronavirus allows work to resume.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>20/50</p> <p>20/50-1</p> <p>20/50-2</p> <p>20/50-3</p>	<p>Financial Matters</p> <p>It was agreed to pay:</p> <p>a) £465.44- C Clarke- salary and expenses April- June</p> <p>b) £696.61- Zurich Insurance- final year of 3 year contract</p> <p>c) £7675.73- S Hutton Ltd- work on cricket square</p> <p>d) £681.00- tennis nets and posts- see 20/47-1</p> <p>e) £1327.50- FA Landscapes- April invoice- clerk to check the cost of £337.50 included for garden maintenance before payment is arranged.</p> <p>f) £30.00- SCIS- resolving e mail issue</p> <p>It was agreed NOT to subscribe to Zoom (via LALC) but to look at other platforms.</p> <p>Donation to LIVES- a request had been received for financial help as many of their fund raising efforts had now been cancelled. The clerk will distribute the letter again to Cllrs for their consideration.</p> <p>g) Receipts and Payments Account to 31st March 2020 to be circulated</p>	<p>Clerk</p>



20/50-4	h) Mrs Jackie Walton to be appointed as internal auditor for 2019/20 accounting statement.	
20/51 20/51-2 20/51-3 20/51-4 20/51-5	<p>Planning Matters Applications S20/0605- reduce crown of ash tree- 9A Welfen Lane (subject to a tree preservation order)- no objections S20/0704- demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey extension- Hill View, Stubton Road- no objections The two applications were received in between meetings and comments were required before the next meeting. The applications were e-mailed to councillors for their consideration. S20/0658- single storey dwelling and garage, 17 Barnby Lane- the application was discussed, a vote was taken and there were no objections.</p> <p>Results S19/1160- erection of shed for storage of mini tractors only- rear of Holt Cottage, 5 Doddington Lane- permission granted 1st April. S20/0244- 2 dwellings, hard standing and landscaping- land adjacent to 11 Gretton Close- permission granted 9th April. S20/0367- changes to entrance door-Section 73 to vary condition of S18/0912- 53 Main Street- permission granted 1st May.</p>	
20/52 20/52-1 20/52-2 20/52-3	<p>Highway and Footpath Matters Cllr Maughan confirmed that the public consultation on parking restrictions on Main St, School Lane and Rectory Lane is now closed and 20 comments had been received. This has not yet gone to the planning committee for consideration. Cllr Maughan is hoping to have a site visit with his colleagues. The drainage works on Main Street will be included in this financial year's programme. Rubbish had accumulated in the river at River Bridge, this had been reported to the Environment Agency.</p>	
20/53	<p>Correspondence Messages and enquiries on FB have been answered promptly.</p>	
20/54	<p>Chairperson's closing statement Cllr Simmonds thanked all for attending the meeting in this format and would keep all councillors informed about holding the next meeting remotely and through which media.</p> <p>Signed.....</p> <p>Chairperson</p> <p>Date.....</p>	



County Councillor Alexander Maughan.

The coronavirus pandemic is forcing lots of challenges through all departments. He advised that the waste recycling centres are opening on May 18th for limited waste only.

District Councillor Paul Wood

Also advised that meetings have been cancelled due to the pandemic but that planning meetings will resume (remotely) next week.