

CLENCHWARTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES 2ND AUGUST 2018

Present Cllrs James, Swietonowski, Winter, Gipp, Impey, Mace, Pell, Hunter and Smith

There were 10 members of the public

1. To receive apologies for absence: Cllrs Tordoff, Mallett and Howlett
2. To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda and any application for dispensation. There were none
3. To approve the minutes of a meeting held 5th July 2018. Minutes were agreed as a true record
4. To receive reports from Borough and County Councillors: Borough Councillor David Whitby reported that BC would reconsider the charges again at their meeting in September. A private investor is investing 10 million in the Guild Hall which will still be rented out. Two small cinemas are being considered for the Corn Exchange. The garage area and bus depot by the South Gates may be developed to improve the approach to Kings Lynn. County Councillor Alexandra Kemp reported on her concerns that the Police Commissioner may become responsible for the fire service which would look at downsizing the service. There would be a fly tipping waste review in November. NCC are pulling the Willows site out of the local plan. The extension to the gas fired power station had been given the go ahead. The future of the ferry is uncertain as the owners wish to retire at the end of the year, the County Council had withdrawn their funding. It was resolved the clerk should write to the MP for support, stating there is a charter in place. Cllr Swietonowski asked how the situation with Stagecoach was progressing as they had become very unreliable. The clerk reported that she had not even received a reply to her email. Cllr Pell asked Cllr Whitby if Harding's Way could be used when traffic flows were really high.
5. Open forum: 15 minutes during which time residents may speak. No one wished to speak.
6. Finance: to approve the monthly payments, finance report circulated by the RFO. Monthly payments of £3,610.66 and transfer of £4,000.00 were agreed.
7. Clerks report: The clerk reported that she had contacted Highways again regarding hedges over growing the footpaths along the Main Road. She had forwarded an email to Highways from a gentleman who could get through on the path and his wheel chair had toppled over.
8. To consider a bd for the Parish Partnership application. It was resolved to put it on the next agenda.
9. To approve a) Financial regulations b) code of Conduct c) Standing orders d) Complaints Procedure e) Data Protection Privacy Notice f) Financial Risk Assessment g) Grievance Procedure h) CCTV Policy i) Grants Policy. The clerk had circulated all the documents to Councillors. The clerk reported that she had received an email from NALC that morning stating that their Standing Orders contained a mistake. Agreed to put on the September agenda. The clerk reported that the RFO would like a bit more time to review the Financial Risk assessment and Financial Regulations. Agreed. All the other documents were approved.

10. To resolve on a situation with the clothes bank and dog bins. Cllr Gipp. Cllr Gipp reported that clothes were often strewn around the field as youths were removing items from the bins. It was resolved the clerk would contact the owners requesting they empty the bin weekly if not Council would wish them to remove the bank. Cllr Gipp asked Council to consider the removal of some of the dog bins. It was resolved to retain all the bins.
11. To resolve on whether to shingle the closed church yard. Cllr James. It was resolved that now the area had been measured quotes would need to be obtained. Agreed to place on the next Finance meeting agenda.
12. Planning: to make observations on planning applications received and circulated.
18/01216/CU change of use of annexe for use as a dwelling, 41 Wildfields Road. Support.
18/01258/F timber framed annexe 78 Station Road. Support. The clerk reported on an application received and circulated the day before 18/01252/OM 40 dwellings on Fosters. The clerk had requested an extension to the time for observations (which is the 22nd August) due to the size of the development and the Council not meeting until the 6th of September. It was resolved the clerk should contact the developer and arrange to meet to discuss the application.
13. To receive updates from committees: Community Centre working party committee. Cllr Pell reported on the meeting held with Tim Wall who had stated he was confident he could get £300,000. The clerk reported she and the Chairman had met with three estate agents who will supply Council with their suggestions as to what the Memorial Hall would be worth. The CCP had agreed to meet every three months, the next meeting being the 25th November. A Halloween party will be held on 27th October. The next fun day will be held on the 15th June 2019. The committee will supply the clerk with copies of their minutes to circulate to councillors and to request that Mr Wall sends the Council an update on progress.
14. To receive updates from outside bodies. Memorial Hall, Cllr Howlett. In the absence of Cllr Howlett, Cllr James reported that the floor was to be polished and that the treasurer of ten years was retiring due to ill health. Kevin Puddephatt had kindly volunteered to take over as treasurer.
15. To receive items for the September 6th meeting. To consider CCTV for the Closed Churchyard in the light of antisocial behaviour. Cllr Swietonowski.
16. To resolved on whether the Council should move into closed session for the discussion of the following agenda items on the grounds of confidentiality (details of the discussion not for publication by virtue of section 100 (a) para 4 of the Local Government Act 1972)
17. To consider legal matters regarding the playing field in Hall Road.
The clerk informed Council there was nothing to report as yet.
The meeting closed at 8.30pm