

LITTLE CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 12th June 2019 at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors Ian Elliott, Jean McCartney, Ken Stephenson, Roland Bell, Lynn Philipson and Carol Wilson.

Also present: Borough Councillor Peter Gaston and Rev'd Judith Morgan, Parish Clerk

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Brian Shaw and County Cllr Alan Kennon

22/19 Introductions and Welcome

Borough Councillor Peter Gaston was welcomed to his first meeting and introduced to the members of the Parish Council

23/19 Declarations of Interest – There were none.

24/19 Minutes

i) Annual Parish Meeting

On the proposal of Cllr R Bell, seconded by Cllr J McCartney, the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 8th May 2019, were approved and signed as a correct record.

ii) On the proposal of Cllr C Wilson, seconded by Cllr R Bell, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th May 2019 were approved and signed as a correct record.

25/19 Public Participation

Cllr C Wilson raised concern over difficulties for residents of Chapel Brow when a large funeral service was held recently at St Luke's Church and people attending the service had parked haphazardly leaving no access to residents' homes etc. The Clerk was instructed to write to the PPC Secretary, asking that a notice be placed near the Church advising people that they may park at the Village Hall car park as an overspill and requesting that nearby residents be considered when parking in the vicinity.

26/19 Village Hall

- i) Cllr C Wilson circulated the annual accounts and it was noted that income had exceeded expenditure by £430.82 during the financial year 2018/19.
- ii) The Music License had been renewed – to be displayed on the Noticeboard in the Hall
- iii) The Nephgill Residents' Association had written their dates on the calendar but had not confirmed with the Clerk. Fortunately there was no clash of dates on this occasion. Cllr C Wilson to email the details of the new NPRA Treasurer to the Clerk.
- iv) A new group had enquired about using the hall for regular Baby Sensory sessions, term time from September. Clerk to follow this enquiry up.
- v) Cllr C Wilson produced some photo frames, three more large ones are still needed.
- vi) Border Floors are to be working in the Hall on Friday 14th and Saturday 15th June
- vii) Cllr Peter Gaston asked about holding councillor surgeries in the Hall, these to be charged at the lower rate of £7.50/hr as they will be of benefit to the village community.
- viii) £130 rental from ABC for the Borough Council elections, had been paid into the Parish Council's bank account – this to be paid over to the Village Hall account by cheque.
- ix) An invoice had been received from Mrs Sue Tasker for gardening around the Hall perimeter – Cllr C Wilson to arrange payment of this.
- x) The Clerk was instructed to write to the Art Club reminding them of the need to turn the heating off at the end of their sessions.
- xi) Various monies for book sales and lettings were handed to Cllr C Wilson to bank.
- xii) Cllrs C Wilson and I Elliott to read the gas and electricity meters immediately after this meeting.
- xiii) J Bowe had been paid for fitting the additional lighting to the kitchen and toilet areas. This completes the money from the Winscales Wind Farm grant and included a slight overspend which the Parish Council would fund.

- xiv) Cllr I Elliott to instruct Paul Lever to touch up the paintwork where the light fittings had been moved in the hall.
- xv) Fixing pins were still required for the wheelchair ramp.
- xvi) Cllr I Elliott agreed to sort the heating timer settings over the coming weekend.
- xvii) Cllr I Elliott agreed to contact the Church Coffee Morning organisers to discuss the contents of the fridge.
- xviii) Concern was expressed that two local young people have started using the car park area for football. Borough Cllr P Gaston to ask the local PCSOs to visit.

27/19 Matters arising from the minutes

- i) Further to Min 19/19 i) Cllr K Stephenson had renewed the gate post at the village green and advised that several other posts would need replacement shortly as they were showing signs of wear.
- ii) Further to Min 11/19 iii) No response had yet been received from County Highways – Clerk to write again to Amber Sykes.

28/19 Chairman's Announcements – There were none

29/19 Allotments – all reportedly doing well.

30/19 County Councillor's Report

County Cllr A Kennon's report had been circulated with the Agenda papers and was received.

31/19 Clerk's Report

- i) £1000 grant towards the Defibrillator had been received from CCC.
- ii) A letter from Mrs Carol Elliott raising concerns re speed of traffic and noisy traffic was read and received. The Clerk was instructed to write to the police regarding these matters. Borough Councillor P Gaston advised that it would be helpful if video footage could be recorded on mobile phones and passed to the police as evidence, and that registration numbers should also be passed to the police.

32/19 Accounts for payment

The following were approved for payment:

J Bowe	Light Fitting Kitchen and Toilet area	£371.66
HMRC	PAYE	£ 34.20
Rev J Morgan	Salary and Expenses	£161.48
R Stephenson	Maintenance and grass cutting	£505.00
R Bell	Maintenance and grass cutting	£270.00
Village Hall	Election rental (see Min 26/19 viii)	£130.00

33/19 Planning

- i) FUL/2019/0018 Agricultural building on land at Linefoot Plantation, Marron Bridge – application withdrawn
- ii) HOU/2019/0097 Gibson – two storey extension to 32 Valley View, Little Clifton – no objections

34/19 Parish Maintenance

- i) The new surface had been applied to the corner of the Bridgefoot/Little Clifton junction on 12th June 2019 and was looking good.
- ii) Cllr R Bell reported streetlight No 13 on Cat Bank was out – Cllr J McCartney volunteered to phone this in.

- iii) Cars are once again parking on the grass verges and pavements at Lostrigg Close, preventing the grass from being maintained. Clerk to write to two residents who habitually park in this area, to ask them to desist and to warn them that the council will not be responsible for any damage caused to their vehicles by grass cutting equipment should they continue to park in this area.
- iv) The Clerk was instructed to ask the Dog Warden for advice on how to obtain evidence of dog fouling in order to secure a prosecution, as the situation generally but in particular on the footpath up from Scots Croft is intolerable.
- v) It was noted that, despite reporting the matter to Home Group, nothing had yet been done about the dangerous wall at Chapel Brow. Cllr C Wilson to email photographs to the Clerk for forwarding to Home Group with another complaint about this wall.

35/19 Matters for next meeting – none identified

36/19 Date of next meeting – Wednesday 10th July 2019 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 8.14pm

Signed Chairman