

LITTLE CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 10th May 2017 at 7.25pm

Present: Councillors Ian Elliott, Jean McCartney, Ken Stephenson, Brian Shaw and Roland Bell.

Also present: County Councillor Alan Kennon, Mrs Lynn Philipson, Mrs Carol Wilson and Rev'd Judith Morgan, Parish Clerk.

There were no apologies for absence.

9/17 Declarations of Interest - there were none.

10/17 Approval of Minutes

On the proposal of Cllr J McCartney, seconded by Cllr B Shaw, the minutes of the meeting held on 12th April 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record.

11/17 Village Hall

The following issues were discussed:

- A new vacuum cleaner had been purchased.
- Invoice from Border Floors had been paid, Clerk passed invoice to Mrs C Wilson for the Village Hall's portion (ex VAT).
- Money for the March and April Coffee Mornings had been received.
- The Bingo held on Bank Holiday Monday had been poorly attended and had made a net loss of £18.05. It was agreed that Bingo sessions would not be held on Bank Holidays in the future.
- Mrs C Wilson had contacted Mrs P Round and the clerk would send a letter to confirm the hourly rate as £7.
- Payment from United Utilities was outstanding - clerk to chase up.
- Money had been received from the St Luke's Duck Race day.
- The clerk presented 4 laminated posters for the Trip - Cllr J McCartney to produce lists for people to sign up.
- Mrs C Wilson circulated the accounts for the year which showed a net excess of expenditure over income of £594.15.
- The Village Hall would be used as a venue for polling on 8th June, displacing the Patchworkers.
- St Luke's Church will hold a curry night in the Village Hall on Wednesday 6th September - booking confirmed.
- Mr Ian Wilson to look at replacement rubber feet for the hall chairs.
- A quote of £148 from Mr D Wood to fit the memorial bench for Mrs Josie Dixon, was accepted - to be paid from Village Hall funds.
- It was agreed that a plaque be purchased to go on the bench, acknowledging 25 years service to the Village Hall from John and Josie Dixon. Wording was approved.

- A proposed Roll of Honour for past committee members to be an agenda item for the next meeting.
- Mrs L Philipson had supplied a box for dirty cloths.
- Mrs C Wilson agreed to order paper towels.
- It was noted that there is approximately a 6 weeks delivery time for bingo books.
- Cllr B Shaw agreed to draw up a list of items required to re vamp the kitchen, for future discussion. Mrs C Wilson stated a preference for a commercial kitchen and is awaiting photos from a contact of hers.
- Cllr I Elliott agreed to obtain prices for redecoration of the hall for discussion at the next meeting.

Mrs C Wilson and Mrs L Philipson left the meeting at this point - 7.50pm

12/17 Matters Arising from the Minutes

- i) Further to Min 140/16 I County Cllr A Kennon offered to telephone County Highways to request an urgent inspection of the U2187.
- ii) Further to Min 140/16 ii Cllr J McCartney to peruse the HAGS price list and make recommendations to the next meeting.
- iii) Further to Min 140/16 v it was noted that the red car had now gone.
- iv) Further to Min 148/16 i Mr D Wood had submitted a quote of £58 to repair the broken board - accepted.
- v) Bus shelter at Bridgefoot - a quote of £1, 380 was received from D Wood to replace the polycarbon plastic. On the proposal of Cllr J McCartney, seconded by Cllr R Bell, this was approved.

13/17 Chairman's Announcements

Already covered in Annual Parish Meeting which preceded this meeting,

14/17 Public Participation - no members of the public were present at this point in the meeting.

15/17 Allotments

Cllr K Stephenson had spent 4 to 5 hours clearing out the hedge which had been the subject of a complaint by the adjacent neighbour - this had resolved the issue to the complainant's satisfaction.

16/17 Clerk's Report

A letter requesting help with the grass cutting in the new churchyard was received from St Luke's PCC. Cllr B Shaw declared an interest in this issue and took no part in the discussion. On the proposal of Cllr J McCartney, seconded by Cllr I Elliott, it was resolved that a donation of £400 be sent to St Luke's.

17/17 Accounts for Payment

The following were approved:

HMRC (PAYE)	£ 34.20
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Rev J Morgan - salary and expenses	£169.31
R Bell - grass cutting	£230.00
St Luke's PCC - donation	£400.00

18/17 Planning - none.

19/17 Parish Maintenance

- i) It was agreed that Cllr K Stephenson would affect repairs to the hedge on the road up to Little Clifton, damaged in a recent road traffic incident.
- ii) Cllr I Elliott agreed to look at the checker plate inspection panel cover in the verge on the footpath between the school and the roundabout, to assess what needs to be done.
- iii) Cllr J McCartney reported on two recent incidents of dog fouling in the village which she had witnessed. In both cases Cllr McCartney had spoken to the dog owners concerned and one had been reported to ABC Environmental Health.

20/17 Risk Assessment

The Parish Council reviewed its Risk Assessment policy document and, on the proposal of Cllr I Elliott, seconded by Cllr J McCartney, adopted the policy for the year 2017/18,

21/17 Matters for Next Meeting

- i) Play equipment
- ii) Proposed Roll of Honour, and Hall redecoration (to be discussed under Village Hall agenda item)

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 14th June 2017 at 7.00pm.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

Signed..... Chairman