

LITTLE CLIFTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 9th September 2015

Present: Councillors Ian Elliott (Chair), Jean McCartney (Vice-Chair), Ken Stephenson, Brian Shaw and John Dixon.

Also Present: Rebecca Arkley and David Snaith (Environment Agency) and Judith Morgan (Parish Clerk)

Apologies: None

Councillor Ian Elliott in the Chair

37/15 **Declarations of Interest:** None.

38/15 **Environment Agency – Flood Action Plan**

Councillors heard a presentation by the Environment Agency on the requirements for setting up a flood action plan for the parish. Little Clifton is within the rapid response catchment category so the establishment of such a plan is deemed very important. Rebecca Arkley is to write up the plan, for which she will require a lead contact plus two local volunteers to be local co-ordinators. Volunteers whose homes would not be at risk would be needed to help move furniture etc. when the water level starts to be dangerously high.

Parish councillors raised a number of concerns about drains which the Environment Agency staff will pass to Jonathan Coates for attention. David Snaith thought that the Environment Agency may be able to fund some water level gauge markers on either side of the ford where there were some historically. David Snaith also confirmed that the footbridge over the ford, which has a build up of debris beneath it, is on the Environment Agency's list of works to be carried out. Environment Agency may be able to provide a storage facility for sand bags.

The Chairman raised concern that planning applications do not appear to take account of possible flooding. David Snaith agreed to feed back the council's comments and concerns to Jonathan Coates for action.

39/15 **Minutes**

RESOLVED – that the Chairman sign, as a correct record, the Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 8th July and 19th August 2015.

40/15 **Matters Arising**

- 1) Further to minute 22/15 5) The clerk was instructed to write again to County highways expressing the council's disappointment that no reply had been received to their earlier letter.
- 2) Further to minute 25/15 A letter from one of the allotment holders was read and received.
- 3) Further to minute 36/15 Contact details for the new PCSO had been received by the clerk.

41/15 **Chairman's Announcements – None**

42/15 **Public Participation - None**

43/15 **Allotments**

Cllr Stephenson reported that all was going well on the allotments.

44/15

Clerk's Report

- i) Notification was received that the second half of the precept has been paid by ABC.
- ii) The clerk presented the annual report from the Audit Commission
- iii) Information on the Moorside project for the National Grid was tabled.
It was resolved that the clerk's report be received.

45/15

Accounts for Payment

BDO LLP (Audit fee)	36.00
Clerk's salary and expenses July	£156.80
HMRC	£ 34.32
R Bell (grasscutting)	£ 410.00

RESOLVED – that the above accounts be paid.

46/15

Planning - None.

47/15

Parish Maintenance

- i) The Clerk was instructed to write to Tendley quarries reporting uncovered wagons passing through the village.
- ii) The Clerk was instructed to raise with the PCSO issues of speeding through the village.
- iii) It was resolved that the Chairman should seek a quote from a builder for erecting the goal posts.

48/15

Village Hall

The Chairman reported that the family fun day on 22 had been very successful and well attended and that good reports had been received following the Village Mystery Trip on 2nd September.

Forthcoming events include:

A tatie pot supper with bingo and raffle on 23rd October,

A social evening with live music on 21st November,

Senior Citizens' Christmas Party on 12th December.

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Matters for Next Meeting

It was agreed that the new PCSO be invited to attend the next meeting.

32/15

Date of Next Meeting

RESOLVED – that the next meeting be held on **Wednesday 21st October 2015 at 7pm**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed as a true and correct recordIan Elliott, Chairman

Date