

CLIFTON-UPON-TEME PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held Thursday 6th October 2022
in the Village Hall commencing at 7.40 pm

Present: Councillors J. Bowden (Chairman), A. Henry (Vice-Chairman), N. Campsall, R. Henry, B. Gilbert and P. Brooks.

Also present: and x5 members of the public.

59.22 Apologies for absence: County Cllr D. Chambers and District Cllr C. Palethorpe.

60.22 Declarations of Interests and applications for Councillor dispensations: None.

Democratic Public Time: The meeting was informed of the initiative 'Warm Welcome' which is being progressed by the Church. The scheme will enable the Village Hall to open its doors free of charge to residents and offer winter heating support on Thursdays between 10am – 1pm. It may be possible to open for longer in which case a light lunch will also be offered. All are welcome and Volunteers are being recruited. It will be a safe space for all ages and backgrounds and other local organisations will also be involved. The Village Hall has been offered free of charge, but some funding will be needed for heating and refreshments. It is hoped to open by the first week in November and continue for as long as is needed. The PC agreed that some funding can be made available, and it was proposed by Cllr A. Henry, seconded Cllr Gilbert, that £20.00 per month be contributed towards heating / refreshments. All agreed. The PC will be invoiced by the Church on a monthly basis.

61.22 To agree the Minutes of the meeting held 1st September 2022 – Minutes were proposed by Cllr Brooks, seconded Cllr A. Henry and agreed by all. No matters arising.

62.22 District & County Councillor Reports: Any reports received will be uploaded to the website. No reports were made to the meeting.

63.22 Financial & Governance Matters:

63.22.01 Payments and receipts – the schedule was agreed as circulated – proposed Cllr A. Henry, seconded Cllr Gilbert. Clerk to arrange payments. It was noted that the works to the Bowling Green are almost complete.

63.22.02 Teme Triangle Contribution – further to a letter being received from J. Johns, it was agreed to contribute £600.00 towards this years running costs. Proposed Cllr Gilbert, seconded Cllr Bowden. All agreed.

64.22 Parish Matters / Updates:

64.22.01 Village Maintenance Plan – R. Wilks will be replanting the village planters on the Green shortly. Old planters and baskets are being removed. X4 new large half barrel planters have been ordered. Cllr A. Henry is looking into Britain in Bloom entry for 2023.

52.22.02 Community Speed Watch – the Community Policing Team are taking this forward on our behalf and a speed survey will soon be undertaken within the parish for data to be analysed. The results of this data will be used to assess the need for a CSW scheme for the parish. The Clerk will update to the next meeting. X8 potential CSW Volunteers have been recruited so far.

65.22 Section 106 Matters: Four Acre Field (CFAF) Project –Land Registry matters are ongoing via the Solicitors. Cllr Campsall is progressing the project in the meantime. The option to reshape the project is being progressed with MHDC by Cllr Campsall. Cllr Gilbert is also to contact Harriet Baldwin MP re Land Registry delays.

66.22 Planning Matters: None.

67.22 Strategic Planning Matters: Cllr Gilbert will monitor the SWDPR and notify the Council of any matters to be considered. A recent update had been circulated regarding the forthcoming Reg. 19 consultation.

68.22 Highways & Facilities Matters:

68.22.01 Lengthsman matters are all progressing well.

68.22.02 County Matters – the dropped kerbs in Manor Rd have already been broken by vehicles. Cllr Bowden will send the Clerk photos so they can be reported.

Cllr Brooks reported on the agreement for an adjoining path from Salford Close to Manor Rd and progress made with the Developer. Cllr Brooks is also looking at options to extend the path and create a safe way to the fields at the rear and to Stepps Farm. The path needs to be mapped out to join existing footpaths.

County Cllr Chambers is also to be involved together with WCC Highways.

County Cllr Chambers and District Cllr Palethorpe are to be contacted by the Clerk re the open excavation at The Meadows (Salford Close) which is a public H&S matter.

68.22.03 Road closures – none received recently.

69.22 Councillors Reports & Items for Future Agendas: Cllr Gilbert wrote to J. Guest re the Hope Lane development and a response was read out to the meeting. Cllr A. Henry is to progress Carols on the Green for this year and will contact District Cllr Palethorpe about funding. Cllr A. Henry has also organised CPR/Defibrillator training for 25th October, free of charge for residents. Posters have been placed in the parish and online. A donation of £100.00 will be made to the Community First Responder Scheme – proposed Cllr Gilbert, seconded Cllr Brooks. All agreed. Cllr A. Henry to send the Clerk bacs details for the scheme. Cllr Brooks updated the meeting about parish defibrillators – the new one at Yeomans Garage is now operational and the Clerk will register it accordingly. The Rec. Field defib has undergone required repairs and spare parts purchased.

58.22 Next meeting: Thurs 3rd November 2022.

Meeting closed at 8:40 pm

M. Alexander

Clerk