

CLIFTON CAMPVILLE WITH THORPE CONSTANTINE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
12th March 2024 @ 7pm
In the Clifton Campville village hall

Present: Cllr Green (chairman), Cllr E Leedham, Cllr R Leedham, Cllr Amsden, Cllr Tongue, Cllr Bostock, Cllr Bennion, Cllr Nicholls.

Sue Hughes (Clerk).

Also, present - 1 member of the public.

1. **Apologies** - None
2. **Declaration of interest** - None
3. **District Councillors**
 - a. Cllr Bennion will share more information on the forthcoming meeting with Sarah Edwards MP once received, also see item 8.
 - b. It was reported that County Council boundaries are up for review, but no decisions have been made at this time.
4. **Members of the public**
 - a. A resident commented on litter in the verges and gateways and asked if cameras could be installed – This was discussed with members but no decision on cameras was made. It was reported that there has been more activity from LDC for this and recently more prosecutions have been made. Reporting litter to LDC was suggested as being successful, however, this was not agreed upon by all the members as a solution. Also see Item 10a.
 - b. It was suggested that the Parish Plan could be useful for producing a Neighbourhood Plan and this was acknowledged by members.

The public and guest Councillors are welcome to stay for the remainder of the meeting but cannot speak or be involved whilst Parish Council members (only) discuss PC business.

5. **Minutes of the previous meeting** on 9th January 2024 meeting
These were circulated before the meeting, taken as read, and signed as a true record by The Chairman. These minutes will be posted on the website.
No Matters arising.
6. **Finance** – All circulated before and during the meeting
Balance of account £17,739.76 @ 15.2.2024
Statements shared with members and signed by the Chairman.
Approval of payments and acknowledgment of receipts were made for:
 - a. £33.50 Clerks expense
 - b. £50.00 Allotment deposit refund for Mr N Lee
 - c. £166.74 SIDS equipment purchased by Cllr E Leedham. Receipts provided.
 - d. £11 Hall hire for Neighbourhood plan meeting.

- e. £48.30 Refund receipt from water board for incorrect meeting reading.
- f. £770 Receipt - Renewal payments of all allotment in current use received.
- g. £12.73 to Cllr Tongue and £5.45 to Cllrs Amsden for litter pick refreshment.

7. **Planning**

- a. NWLDC Plan – Cllr Nicholls to draft a response to the Clerk for submission to the Planning Officer to express concerns on surface water and water storage and copy in Local League authority and LDC.
- b. Neighbourhood Plan – The Chairman reported that some local PC's have been contacted and asked if they wished to be involved, some have shown an interest and some have not. Cllr Tongue will contact interested PC's and arrange a date for a meeting. Cllr Bennion has also emailed Head of Planning at LDC and will update members once a response has been received.

8. **Flood meeting** – with Sarah Edwards MP on 22nd March.

Edingale Parish Council's Chairman and one other member are attending the meeting. Cllr Nichols raised the PC's perspective at Edingale's recent meeting and will email their Clerk to pass on comments to their members to take to the meeting and to also ask someone to access the trend at Clifton Mill. Copy in NWLDC too.

9. **Highways**

a. The Green Man Pub parking. Two residents have contacted the Chairman with concerns that those frequenting the pub are parking in residents' spaces in New Row. It was pointed out by members that this is also a public parking area. It was raised that the Planning Application for The Green Man has not yet been approved and it was suggested that residents send comments to the Planning Officer at LDC regarding concerns of the lack of parking. A report on this was also sent to Highways and their response was to apply for parking permits and The Chairman will advise residents of this.

It was agreed for the PC to repeat their concerns of parking to the Planning Dept.

b. School parking. The Clerk is to email the school and ask if any action has been taken regarding the issues of parking during drop off and pick times, opposite. Potters croft outside the school entrance.

c. Potholes on Syerscote Lane – Cllr R Leedman raised concerns of poor repairs being made by Highways and the lane being unusable. Cllr R Leedham and Cllr Alan White have been in contact and a meeting is being arranged to visit the area. Cllr E Leedham, after discussion with Cllr Alan White at last meeting has made reports and a Highways representative has attended and sprayed around approx 15 potholes and these should be attended to within 7 days, weather may affect these repairs but this will continue to be monitored.

Lullington Lane condition was also raised. The Clerk will contact DCC Highways Cabinet member on this to share concerns and ask if any repairs are imminent. Cllr Bostock will also report these potholes on DCC reporting system and send report numbers to Clerk.

d. Village Bus. Cllr Bennion has had no response from the bus company after many attempts and has sent video evidence of the damage being caused.

10. **Local issues**
- a. **Litter Pick** on 9.3.2024 was deemed successful. Collection of rubbish was an issue so a new pick up point needs to be considered for next year. The PC wishes to thank all those involved and also to those who baked cakes.
Fly tipping concerns - It is to be encouraged that all fly tipping is to be reported. Cllr R Leedham has spoken to PCSO Hickman and made her aware of it.
 - b. Anti-social behaviour has been reported in the area of Syerscote Lane and Wigginton railway bridge to PCSO Hickman.
 - c. Village furniture – Quotes being gained for repairs to the phone box.
 - d. Commemorative Tree for John Cliff.
Cllr Nicholls has sourced a crab apple tree and this was approved by members. The location will be on the triangle in Haunton and an application will be made to SCC. The Clerk will also contact the insurance company on regulations for this.
11. **Policies were adopted for:**
- a. Grievance policy
 - b. Disciplinary policy
12. **Clerks –**
Pay increase from 1st April 2024 to SCP LC16 was approved by all members.
Holiday hours of 3.8 can be carried over to 2024/2025.
Overtime of 3.8 hours was approved for payment for this financial year.
- AOB –** Cllr Bennion gave his apologies for the next meeting on 24.5.24 as he is attending a District Council meeting on the same night.

The meeting concluded at 8:45pm

Next Meeting 14th 2024 May @ 6:30pm
To include Annual Parish meeting