

Clunbury Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Thursday 16th July 2015 in Clunbury Village Hall at 8pm

PRESENT

Mr J Croxton (Chairman), Mr I Davies (Vice Chairman), Mr K Bailey, Mr M Jones,
Mrs S Jones, Mrs P Harding, Mr J Hoskins.
2 members of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr D Hill, Mrs S Morgan.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 14.5.15

Approved unanimously and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

MATTERS ARISING

Standing Orders/Financial Regulations. To be discussed at a working meeting on Tuesday 28th July at 8pm.

Parish Land on the Black Hill. A meeting between the Charity Trustees and Mrs Annie Sutton was needed. Mrs Sutton has the files of papers from John Moore.

AED unit in Kempton. It was understood the Shrewsbury Co-ordinator was trying to get this sorted. Mr Hoskins to monitor the situation.

Oil and Gas Club. Nothing to report at present.

Ridgeway BOAT at The Cwm. Nothing to report at present. It was understood there was money in the Rights of Way budget for such schemes. Mrs Jones to contact Mr Butters at Shropshire Council.

BRIDLEWAY AT ASHBEDS

Public Inquiry to be held in Clunbury Village Hall at 10am on Tuesday 22nd September and scheduled to last two days.

To be assessed at the next Parish Council meeting.

Clerk to enquire re: evidence and who can attend the Inquiry.

CLUNTON BURIAL GROUND

The Parish Council held a site meeting on 28.5.15 at which it was established that between 50 and 70 metres of the white lane needed to be cleared. A local contractor, Josh Arrowsmith, had quoted 1-2 days @ £120 per day.

REVIEW OF PARISH PLAN

Nothing to report at present.

PLANNING

Application No. 15/02253/LBC. Single storey extension and other works affecting a Grade II

Listed Building at Olde Church House, 18 Clunton. No objection.

Application No. 15/02514/FUL. Conservatory at Sunnyside, Twitchen. No objection.

There were no decisions to be reported by planning authority.

SOUTH WEST SHROPSHIRE COMMITTEE

The Chairman reported as follows:

Shropshire Council was progressing towards commissioning everything in a bid to cut costs and had created IP&E, as a commercial company. 700 more staff had to go.

SpArC at Bishops Castle was under threat as funding had been withdrawn. It was important to retain the swimming pool as swimming was part of the school curriculum.

There were vouchers available to help with Broadband provision.

Donations from Parish Councils, local businesses, etc provided small grants. The Chairman suggested youth groups could be helped this way as official support had been withdrawn.

Next meeting of the Committee would be held in October. All are welcome to attend, details to be circulated beforehand.

ROADS

Purslow crossroads. Visibility had been improved by cutting the grass. White posts had been installed to stop vehicles parking on the corner and blocking the view of approaching traffic. No news about the telegraph pole.

Little Brampton crossroads. The "teardrop" white lines were intended to keep traffic over to the left. There had been another minor collision about three weeks ago.

Speed of traffic in Clunton. It was agreed to hold a site meeting with Glyn Shaw from Highways on Tuesday 3rd August at 10am, at the village hall. Mrs Scuffham from Coppice View to be informed. There were 30mph stickers for wheelie bins available from the Safer Shropshire Partnership. A traffic mirror was needed opposite the Cwm lane.

B4385 at Kempton. There were problems enforcing the speed limit as it did not go through the village. There were three blind exits from the village on to the main road, and cows crossing twice a day.

Clunton Copice: Cwm Lane passing places. Nothing to report at present.

Pot holes: Obley area. To be reported to Ian Martin, Highways.

CORRESPONDENCE

Spotlight leaflet for July. Distributed to those present.

Shropshire Housing Group letter re: Corporate Plan 2015-2020. To Mrs Jones.

Shropshire Seniors magazine "The Forum". Chairman said this was suffering from funding cuts.

FINANCE

Account balances were reported as:

Community (current) account	£2,103.90
Business Saver account (incorporating Sports & Leisure a/c)	£6,893.10.

It was agreed unanimously to pay the following:

Mrs N Adams (salary May & June)	£308.72
Mrs N Adams (expenses)	£67.66
npower (energy charge June qtr)	£80.04
eon (street light repair)	£145.94
Mrs R Mullard-Davies (payroll services y/e 31.3.15)	£60.00
Clunton village hall (hire for meeting)	£9.25
Clunbury village hall (hire for meeting)	£12.00.

Future external audits. Clerk reported that external audits would not be required in the future for small councils.

Transparency Code. As external audits were to be discontinued, smaller councils would be required to publish more details such as financial information.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Clunbury school: Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodists Schools (SIAMS). The school had been awarded an "outstanding" rating in its latest inspection. Clerk to send a letter of congratulations from the Parish Council.

The Chairman said another toilet was being installed for the Nursery.

Fairtrade Clun Valley. Mrs Jenny Barker had requested the Parish Council pass an official resolution supporting in principle the Fairtrade Clun Valley scheme. Agreed unanimously as follows:

Clunbury Parish Council supports Fairtrade and the Fairtrade Clun Valley initiative, and will commit to using Fairtrade mark products in the future at any meeting or event for which it has responsibility.

Connecting Shropshire. Mrs Jones said that BT were now working with EE to improve mobile reception and intended to pilot a micro rural network in Clunton village.

Public telephone box in Clunton. Mr Davies said this was in a very bad state and needed to be thoroughly cleaned, and maintained in the future. Clerk would contact BT, but said no reply had been received from them in the past.

Fly tipping in Clunton. The Environment Agency could provide "No Tipping" and penalty notices. It was the responsibility of the landowner to clear up dumped rubbish.

Clunton Burial Ground. Mrs Harding had established that it was for the Parish Council to give permission for headstones on unmarked graves. Harry Collins would probably know who the unmarked graves belonged to. A formal request should be made to the Parish Council.

DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 10th September 2015 in Kempton village hall at 8pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.50pm.

JHC/NEA
27.7.15