# Clunbury Parish Council

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# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 14th July 2016 in Clunbury Village Hall at 8pm

#### **PRESENT**

Cllr J Croxton (Chairman), Cllr I Davies (Vice Chairman), Cllr D Hill, Cllr S Jones, Cllr K Bailey, Cllr P Harding, Cllr J Hoskins,
Shropshire Councillor N Hartin.

2 members of the public.
Mrs N Adams (Parish Clerk)

# **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr M Jones.

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

As and when required.

#### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 19.5.16

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

#### **MATTERS ARISING:**

**AED in Kempton.** Cllr S Jones to speak to Cliff Medlicott.

**The Big Conversation.** Clun Town Council's Clerk would not now organise a joint meeting of Parish Councils. There had been meetings held in Bishops Castle Town Hall and in Craven Arms re: clustering of parishes and the future delivery of local services. Cllr Hartin had written to the Chief Executive at Shropshire Council for clarification and would circulate copies of his reply when received.

## **REVIEW OF PARISH PLAN**

Cllr Hoskins reported that the final meeting had been held last night and the final payment was to be made. It was agreed that any funds outstanding from the Shropshire Council grant be donated to The Parish Post.

The Chairman thanked the Steering Group for carrying out this review, Cllr S Jones thanked the Parish Council for supporting this project.

# **PLANNING**

**Poultry sheds at Hurst Barn.** A public meeting had been held to gauge public reaction to this proposal. It was likely to be a contentious issue on environmental grounds - AONB, proximity to the river, extra traffic through the village, possibility of smells being carried on the wind. There were also concerns for chickens being intensively farmed. No application yet, but Clerk was asked to write to the Agent for copies of any documentation which was available now, preferably in hard copy which could be circulated around Parish Councillors.

Applications Nos. 16/02578/FUL & 16/02579/LBC. Amended plans for alterations in

association with conversion of 2 cottages to a single dwelling, extensions and porches. It was decided to make no comment.

There were no decisions to be reported by planning authority.

#### SOUTH WEST SHROPSHIRE LJC

**NHS Future Fit.** Cllr S Jones was continuing to monitor the situation.

**Clun Surgery.** More than 600 comments had been submitted in response to the consultation documents. A decision was expected in September.

# **ROADS**

Street light outside the Old Spice Works. Still not working. Clerk to report this again.

**Cwm Road, Clunton** had been resurfaced up to Cwm Bydd Farm and Cllr S Jones suggested that residents be asked to clear out gullies to keep the road clear. However, this could mean that the Parish Council had some legal liability. It was very difficult for a small Parish Council to take on any services from Shropshire Council.

**B4385 at Kempton.** Cllr Hoskins said there had been a recent serious accident by the lodge and requested a site meeting with Mr Glyn Shaw from Highways.

**Clunton.** Cllr Harding said the road mirror at the crossroads was excellent.

The recently installed signage had not reduced traffic speeds. A CSO would attend to observe driving speeds.

There were loose kerbstones outside Clunton House. Mr Ian Martin from Highways to be asked to make a site visit, also to check where the brook was undercutting the banks by the pub.

# **CORRESPONDENCE**

Spotlight leaflet for July. Distributed to those present.

Email from Jude Bowers asking the Parish Council to confirm her local connections in support of an affordable home application. Cllr Hill to speak to Ms Bowers for more details.

# **FINANCES**

#### Bank balances were reported as:

Community current account	£3,406.47
Business Premium account (incl Sports & Leisure account)	£4,896.33.

#### It was agreed unanimously to pay the following:

Mrs N Adams (salary May and June)	£307.20
Mrs N Adams (salary July + back pay) )	£222.91
HMRC (PAYE)	£14.20
Clunbury Parish Newsletter Asscn (Parish Plan donation)	£340.63
Mrs N Adams (expenses January to July)	£148.32
Mrs R Mullard Davies (payroll services 2015/16)	£60.00
npower (outstanding account to date)	£151.70
Clunton village hall (hire for meeting)	£7.75.

**Management of Bank accounts.** Barclays had recommended that a Simple Servicing Arrangement be put in place, Clerk confirmed this would provide the required authority. Agreed by all Councillors, and Chairman and Mr Hill signed the application form.

Clerk's allowance for use of home and computer. It was proposed by Cllr Harding, seconded by Cllr Davies and agreed unanimously that this be increased to £150 per financial year as from 1st April 2016.

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**Footbridge behind Chapel House, Clunbury.** This had been reported before as being dangerous owing to rails rusted or missing, but had not been repaired. Clerk to report this again.

**Dog fouling.** A resident had complained about dog fouling on footpaths on the Black Hill which caused problems when he went out running. Clerk to contact the Forestry Commission.

# **DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 22nd November 2016 in Kempton village hall at 8pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10pm.

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