

Clunbury Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Thursday 19th November 2015 in Clunton Village Hall at 8pm

PRESENT

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

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mrs S Morgan

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 19.11.15

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

MATTERS ARISING

Parish Land on the Black Hill. Mr Bailey reported that an examination of the documents showed that the land had been given to the parish in 1856 with the Church Wardens as Trustees. The Parish Council does not appear to have any responsibility for the land. It was anticipated that the Trustees would meet in early December.

AED at Kempton. Mr Hoskins to check whether this is operational.

Ridgeway BOAT at The Cwm. Mrs Jones said that this was in (slow) progress. Another source of possible funding was from the AONB.

BRIDLEWAY AT ASHBEDS

Mr Hill had attended the Inquiry and reported the decision, namely that the path be opened as a bridleway. The principle had been established that this was a Right of Way.

CLUNTON BURIAL GROUND

Mr Jones declared an interest, and reported that the work was complete and access to the burial ground was now clear and acceptable. The wicket gate was in position, but the owners of The Villa may wish to install a field gate for their own use. Mr Davies needed access via the kissing gate for purposes of maintenance. Hedges to be cut every two years, although one hedge needed cutting back now as it was encroaching on two graves.

The Clerk had attended a seminar on Cemeteries and Burial Grounds, and said it was important to keep accurate records, Mr Davies to try to establish the names on the graves.

Two collapsed graves needed to be back-filled. Clerk to let Mr Davies and Mrs Harding have notes on the above seminar.

REVIEW OF PARISH PLAN

Mr Hoskins reported that the finishing touches were being made to the report and it was anticipated that each household would receive a copy of the final document by the end of the year, with a bigger pack for each Parish Councillor.

PLANNING

Application No. 15/04275/FUL. Extension with balcony above and addition of porch, etc, at The Villa, Clunton, had been received between meetings. Mr Davies and Mrs Harding had made a site visit and could see no problem. No comment made. Councillors present approved this action.

Application No. 15/04617/FUL. Garden gazebo at Cider House, Clunton Coppice. No objection.

SOUTH WEST SHROPSHIRE LIC

Next meeting scheduled for 25th November at Worthen. Chairman and Mrs Jones to attend.

NHS Future Fit. The situation was fast-moving but confusing. Mrs Jones gave an update as she understood it. One big problem was under-funding but it was hoped a new plan would be ready soon. Mrs Jones would like to hear parishioners' views on hip and knee replacement operations as there appeared to be a suggestion to limit these. At the appropriate time a meeting would be called with neighbouring Parish Councils.

ROADS

Street lights were all working.

Pot holes. No information as to whether these had been done.

Flooding at The Llan. It was thought this started when a dew pond was filled in. Mrs Morgan may know.

Kempton Lane badly flooded after heavy rain. Possibly get someone from Highways out to take a look.

Clunton. Ditch by the bridge and up Gunridge Lane needed to be cleaned out.

Purslow crossroads. Seemed to be satisfactory providing the grass was cut regularly although the telegraph pole still needed to be moved. Situation to be monitored.

Speed of traffic in Clunton. Mrs Harding reported that the sign and mirror should be in place by the end of the year. Information awaited re: interactive signs. The Safer Roads Initiative was on hold until it was known whether the sign and mirror were having an effect.

CORRESPONDENCE

"Spotlight" leaflet for November. Distributed to those present.

Letter from Mr and Mrs S Reynolds resigning from the position of Parish Paths Partnership (P3) Organisers for Clunbury parish after many years of much appreciated volunteering. Clerk had written to thank them for their sterling work. Mr Reynolds would continue to clear stiles and paths of vegetation in his capacity of Ramblers' representative, and had a number of maps and other information for his successor.

Mrs Jones had established the protocol for accessing papers in the Shropshire Archives. Clerk to distribute this to all Parish Councillors.

FINANCE

Bank balances were reported as:

Community (current) account	£993.09
Business Savings account (incorporating Sports & Leisure a/c)	£6,893.96.

It was agreed unanimously to pay the following:

G Jones & Son (gates/fences for burial ground)	£129.80
Shropshire RCC (Parish Plan expenses)	£187.80
Mrs N Adams (salary: Sept & Oct)	£307.20
SALC (training fee)	£20.00
Josh Arrowsmith (tree works at burial ground)	£70.00
John Goodwin (digger work, etc at burial ground)	£130.00.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The BT phone boxes in Clunton and Clunbury had been painted. It was not known whether or not the phones inside were working for emergency calls.

DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 14th January 2016 at Clunbury Village Hall at 8pm. The Precept will be discussed at this meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9pm.

JHC/NEA
8.12.15