Clunbury Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 12th January 2017 in Clunton Village Hall at 8pm.

PRESENT

Cllr J Croxton (Chairman), Cllr K Bailey, Cllr S Jones, Cllr P Harding, Cllr J Hoskins, Cllr D Hill.

Shropshire Councilor N Hartin.

2 members of the public

Ms N Adams (Parish Clerk.

Mr Phil Holden - Shropshire Hills AONB.

PRESENTATION BY SHROPSHIRE HILLS AONB

Mr Holden gave an illustrated talk explaining how the AONB was moving towards independent status and what its future aims involved.

Following questions from the floor, the Chairman thanked Mr Holden, who then left the meeting.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr I Davies (Vice Chairman), Cllr S Morgan, Cllr M Jones.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

As and when required.

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 17.11.16

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

MATTERS ARISING:

Footbridge behind Chapel House, Clunbury. Clerk had reported this twice, but had received no reply. Cllr Harding had put hazard tape on the bridge. Cllr Hill said Stuart Seabury had offered to paint the bridge FOC after it was repaired. Cllr Hartin said the Clerk should contact Richard Knight in the Rights of Way Department.

PLANNING:

Application No. 16/03334/EIA. Poultry sheds at Hurst Barn. Cllr Hartin said this would now be discussed by the Planning Committee at its February meeting.

Application No. 16/04416/VAR. Change of use at Lower Coston Farm to allow the occupation of the site by a rural worker employed within the locality. Chairman was seeking more information.

There were no decisions to be reported by planning authority.

SOUTH WEST SHROPSHIRE LJC

Cllr Hartin reported as follows:

The next meeting was scheduled for 9th February at Clun Memorial Hall. Topics on the Agenda included: Bus consultation strategy.

Presentation on broad band - Chris Taylor to speak about that.

Limited report about Shropshire Council's budget.

Reports to clarify Future Fit, etc.

Youth funding - some funding to continue.

The LJC still offered the small grant scheme with contributions from Parish Councils. A letter would be sent round soon.

Health Care. Cllr S Jones gave a resume of the current state of health matters in Shropshire, the general situation being unsatisfactory.

Clun Surgery. Knighton Surgery closed on 23rd December, only 150 patients had transferred to other doctors, most patients were making the trip to Clun, where there were 3000 patients on the books. This had meant inovative steps had to be put in place to safeguard the welfare of patients.

ROADS

Street light outside the pub had failed. Clerk to report this.

B4385 at Kempton. Cllr Hoskins to meet Glyn Shaw from Highways to discuss tidying up and improving the signage. An application had been made for interactive signs, but they were unlikely to be installed in the foreseeable future.

Safer Roads Partnership in Clunton. Cllr Harding had not been able to arrange a police presence in the village, and would try to arrange a visit by a police representative to discuss all three villages' problems.

Horse signs by Cwm Lane signpost. Nothing to report at present.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

There were no circulated emails which needed to be discussed.

FINANCE:

Account balances were reported as:

Community (current) account	£1,320.18
Business Premium account	£1,316.87
Sports & Leisure account	£3,580.68.

It was unanimously agreed to pay the following:

Ms N Adams (salary November & December)	£327.46
npower (energy charge)	£129.77
Ms N Adams (use of home & computer y/e 31.3.17)	£150.00.

Precept for year 2017/18:

Clerk tabled an information document which was discussed. Cllr Harding proposed a Precept of £3,600, seconded by Cllr Hill and approved unanimously on a show of hands. Discussion information for the year 2018/19 to be available in November 2017.

Transparency Code.

Cllr Hill asked if there was more information to go on the website to comply with the Transparency Code. Clerk to compile the necessary information and send to Cllr Hill.

Clerk said there was a grant available to help Parish Councils comply with the Transparency Code, and it would be particularly useful to have a laptop exclusively for Parish Council work. Cllr Hoskins said that the payment to the Clerk for use of home and computer could perhaps be used instead to purchase a laptop. To be discussed next time.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 16th March 2017 in Clunbury Village Hall at 8pm. Cllr Hill to book the hall.

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

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