

Clutton Parish Council

Tuesday 31st May 2016, 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Parish Council

Present: Councillors R Naish(Chair), B. Bailey, S Dagger, I Myatt, S Piddock, D Veale, D Worskett, Cllr K Warrington and Mrs H Richardson (Clerk); and 6 members of the public.

Public Submissions: A resident reported that the allotments needed attention as it was putting off potential plot holders.

A resident complained about the Parish Councils decision to investigate the removal of a street light on Lower Bristol Road. It was claimed that the street light was still needed as children wait for the school bus by it. It was also reported that this street light is not working.

It was reported that the street light by Hazeldene on Clutton Hill is not working.

The Sub-postmaster from Clutton Post Office offered to answer any questions Councillors may have regarding item 103/16 -the consultation for the relocation of the Post Office. Councillors asked if other locations within walking distance had been considered. It was reported that this would have been investigated and the Temple Cloud location was the closest realistic option. A councillor asked whether the sorting office will move as well. It was reported that this will be up to the post office and will be addressed at a later stage.

Item	Action
92/16	Apologies were received and accepted from A Hillier, D Phillips, A Starr and J Bush. There were no declarations of interest.
93/16	The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16 th May 2016 were approved.
94/16	Matters arising from last month's minutes: The Village Hall has been booked for Tuesday 18 th April 2017 as the Monday is Easter Monday.(78/16) An audit of the finger posts has been submitted to B&NES(83/16) It was reported that investigations into the removal of the Street Light on Lower Bristol Road (C004) have been put on hold as a resident has strongly requested that the street light remains for safety reasons. (85/16) To prevent spiralling costs, the Leisure area Leases have been put on hold until the scouts are in a position to respond. (64/16d)
95/16	a)It was agreed that the Parish Council would object to the application 16/02222/COND Parcel 0006 Maynard Terrace, even though comments are not invited, in line with the parish Council response to 14/05692/RES Parcel 0006 Maynard Terrace. b)16/02297/FUL: Tynemore Farmhouse, Stowey Road, was considered and it was agreed that there was no need to comment on the resubmission.
96/16	The monthly cheques presented for approval were accepted.
97/16	The Annual Governance Statements 2015/16 were accepted and approved.
98/16	The Accounting Statements for the 2015/16 External Audit were accepted and

approved, along with the end of year accounts.

- 99/16 The Annual Internal Audit report was presented and accepted.
- 100/16 The Parish Council agreed to pay for the band at the Annual Fun Day, from funds budgeted for the Queen's Birthday Celebrations – expected cost £500.
- 101/16 The grant application form from the School Governors had not been received and so the contribution for the Audit of Play Space could not be discussed.
- 102/16 It was agreed that the website should be updated and the costs were approved.
- 103/16 The consultation for the proposed move for the Post Office was discussed and it was agreed that although the change was going to be inconvenient for many residents, there was little that could be done to keep a Post Office in Clutton if there were no suitable premises. It appeared that the proposed new location was the closest available option. The location was on a bus route, from the A37 through Clutton, even though the local bus stop is inaccessible for many residents. It was suggested that the dial a ride service could be utilised to transport less mobile residents to the new premises. It was also commented that the proposed premises were cramped and it was expected that there would be a lack of privacy, but it was not known what internal alterations would take place.
- 104/16 The pay increase for 2016/17 and 2017/18 for the Clerk as recommended by NALC was agreed. 36 hours of additional overtime were also agreed as a one off payment due to the number of extra meetings this month.
- 105/16 It was agreed that the council should invite the use of Community Payback personnel for Village Maintenance jobs including clearing the Leisure Area and digging over unused allotments
- 106/16 It was agreed that the renewal quote from Aon for the Councils Insurance should be accepted.
- 107/16 It was reported that volunteers from B&NES would be installing the firepit on Friday 3rd June and that an official lighting of the Firepit would be arranged. A model railway of Clutton Station would be exhibited at the same time and a consultation for the rest of the area would be arranged. Maisie Williams had been asked to attend as a special guest, but would be unavailable due to filming commitments.
- 108/16 It was agreed that the Leisure Area would be renamed 'Clutton Station Park' with immediate effect and a new sign would be purchased.
- 109/16 It was reported that the installation of the traffic calming scheme would be commence on Tuesday 31st May and should last for 2 weeks. It was confirmed that the plans did not include a buildout outside the school.
- 110/16 The electrical works to remove the electricity supply from the phone kiosk was approved. It was pointed out that the contractor was unable to undertake option 1 as previously agreed once a site visit had taken place.

There for the electricity supply needs to be removed from the other side of the road.

- 110/16 The following Correspondence was reported:
a) Notice of referendum for the membership of the European Union.
b) The Governments Response to the Broadband Consultation
c) A resident expressed concern about children playing football and climbing on garages in Rogers Close. It was suggested that the garages may belong to CURO and so the correspondence should be passed onto them. Clerk
- 111/16 The Ward Councillor reported that the works on the A37 would include a reduction in the speed limit to 30mph through Clutton. Details of the proposals for Devolution are available on the B&NES website. Clutton Playgroup at the Cabin had successfully been awarded funds from the Ward Councillors Initiative to repair and improve the fire door at the back of the building.
- 112/16 It was reported that the Village Hall Committee had approved the annual accounts for the Village Hall and a copy had been given to the Clerk. The new treasurer had taken over and a small increase in rental charges would be implemented from September. The Fire doors would be assessed at the next meeting. Clerk
It was reported that a potential allotment holder had dropped out due to the amount of work required to dig over the allotment. The clerk had also received a complaint about the number of unkempt plots.
- 113/16 The Clerk reported that a special meeting had been arranged to discuss the latest submission of 14/05692/RES Parcel 0006 Maynard Terrace on Saturday 4th June at 11am in the Village Hall, as we were notified on Friday 27th May and are given 14 days to respond.

Communication Stats: 133 Facebook Likes.

Close: The meeting ended at 8.47pm