

Clutton Parish Council

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Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Parish Council Monday 21st December 2020 Virtual Meeting on Zoom

Present: Councillors S Barran, J Bush, D Hayward, R Naish, A Parfitt, N Skinner, T Starr, D Veale, K Warrington, G Williams (Chair), S Davis (Ward Councillor) and Mrs H Richardson (Clerk) and 2 members of public

- 103.1. Apologies for Absence - None
- 103.2. Declarations of Interest received from R Naish (103.7b)
- 103.3. Minutes:
 - a) The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16th November were **approved**.
 - b) Matters arising from the decisions of the last meeting: None
- 103.4. Planning:
 - a) Planning Consultations:
 - i. 20/04410/FUL: Alveston Maynard Terrace: Erection of a single storey front, rear and side extensions, and widening of vehicular access. The Parish Council agreed that they had No Objection to this application, once the requested condition from Highways was resolved to ensure that the development dealt with the flow of groundwater so as not to increase the problems of flooding at the Maynard Terrace junction.
 - ii. 20/04454/FUL: 6 Furnleaze: Erection of first floor extension. The Parish Council resolved to support this application and the plans as they are presented.
 - iii. 20/04221/FUL: Greyfield Woods Farm, Greyfield. Erection of open sided wooden roundhouse shelter. The Parish Council resolved to support this application.
 - b) To report B&NES decisions for the following Applications: None
- 103.5. Finance, legal, HR & Admin.
 - a) The monthly finance report and payments for this month were approved. It was agreed that the tree works at Station Park should be checked before payment. The large water bill on the allotments was discussed with possible causes -the meter will be monitored.
 - b) The second draft of the budget was discussed and councillors suggested that the precept request should be amended so that there would be no increase for a Band D property this year. The amendment would be made and brought back for final approval next month.
 - c) The Parish Council approved a grant application of £130 for Dial A Ride but were interested to find out how many residents were making use of the service.
 - d) The Parish Council approved a donation of £100 voluntary contribution towards CPRE membership.
- 103.6. Parks, Open Spaces & Environment.
 - a) It was reported that the changes made to the sanitizing units had been successful and the Childrens fitness equipment has not been installed yet.
- 103.7. Highways, Rights of Way & Infrastructure.
 - a) The results of the speed monitoring survey had still not been received although it was reported that station road was being considered for the 21/22 maintenance programme.
 - b) It was reported that CURO had agreed to put the required road signs in their new development but it would take 12 – 16 weeks and therefore the Parish Council would delay a decision on whether additional signs were necessary until the CURO signs have been installed.
 - David Veale Left the meeting
 - c) It was agreed that the Clerk should source a new large dog bin with small opening for the Maynard Terrace location, as some commercial dog walkers were filling up the current bins within days of them being emptied, bringing large bags of dogs mess in their vans. Once arranged the Maynard Bins would be relocated to the Warwick Arms and one other location. It was agreed that the bag holders in the dog bins which had gone missing should be replaced. Until the above was arranged the frequency of collection would be increased to weekly.
 - d) The Parish Council considered a request to erect signs on Clutton Hill saying 'Warning Concealed Entrances'. It was agreed that the request should be directed to the Highways Authority which is B&NES. The Clerk would submit a request.

e) It was agreed that the Village Operative would concentrate on clearing fallen leaves & debris this month.

103.8. Community Engagement.

a) Volunteers are still supporting people shielding and some emergency packs have been distributed. PPE for volunteers is available through the Community Hub

103.9. Climate and Ecological Emergency.

a) Chew Valley working Group met and they are still working out their remit and establishing their steering group. They are looking for valley wide projects. They are establishing a library of resources to share. Bristol Airports planning application has been turned down, but they have submitted an environmental statement as part of their appeal. If successful there will be an increase in passengers and an increase in night flights. The appeal is likely to take place until July. The Clutton Climate and Nature emergency working group met to discuss the Bristol Airport appeal, but had not concluded whether they were for or against the expansion. They are considering locations for creating wildflower meadows to improve bio-diversity. A toad group is being formed to help toads crossing roads in the spring.

103.10. Correspondence since the last meeting.

- a) The Parish Council received a request to make a donation towards the Christmas lights event at St Augustine. £100 was approved.
- b) Concerns were raised about development activity at the bottom of Clutton Hill, which will be looked into.

103.11. B&NES: The Ward Councillor has helped a resident with flooding and attended a web forum on council tax.

103.12. Representative Bodies:

- a) **Clutton United Charities:** Due to hold an annual general meeting.
- b) **Clutton Village Hall:** Nothing to report. – not had a Committee meeting since September.
- c) **Allotments:** The water meter is being monitored.
- d) **Flood Wardens:** Several floods in the village have been reported and the flood warden has been given a new contact at B&NES to liaise with.

103.13. The Clerk had nothing additional to report.

103.14. Items put forward for the next meeting on Monday 18th January; Local plan review.

The meeting closed at 9.43pm