

CLAY CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Clay Cross Parish Council Annual General Meeting held in the Clay Cross Parish Council office on Wednesday 18 May 2011 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillor M Holmes
Councillor A Jackson
Councillor E Mansbridge
Councillor G Morley
Councillor Mrs T Reader
Councillor A Reader
Councillor P Riggott
Councillor F Rodgers
Councillor K Savidge
Councillor D Skinner

Also Present: PCSO Andrew Cocking
Dawn Kershaw, Parish Clerk
Shelagh Shaw, Administrative Assistant

Public Participation

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Police Consultation

PCSO Cocking handed out crime figures for the period 1 April 2011 to midnight 30 April 2011. It was confirmed that there had been 18 calls for service and these include:

- several calls for nuisance children on Penncroft Drive of which three of the main offenders have been placed on 'acceptable behaviour' contracts – since this there have been no calls for service
- A neighbourhood dispute, which was resolved
- three calls in respect of nuisance vehicles – a bike has been seized in one incident and a Section 59 warning has been issued in another incident
- there are a couple of incidents in relation to nuisance at public houses in the town which were resolved and are being dealt with under Operation Olton
- other incidents include children playing football in the street, nuisance remote control cars and some underage drinking around Danesmoor where people have been stopped searched, alcohol seized and dealt with appropriately

PCSO Cocking reported that the major crime pattern they are experiencing at the moment is shed breaks at various allotment sites – a shed security scheme is being organised and PCSO Cocking asked if there was any funding available from the Parish Council to provide shed alarms, locks, smart water and other security devices.

PCSO Cocking discussed Operation Olton particularly the request for the Parish Council to assist in funding for a passive drugs dog. Councillor Mrs Reader asked how many shifts the drugs dog would be used. PCSO

Cocking stated that this would depend on the amount of funding received from the Parish Council. It was also confirmed that the local Police have no budget for this which is the reason why the approach has been made.

Councillor Mansbridge raised the issue regarding Section 59's being issued and applauds the local Police for their work on this. Councillor Mansbridge asked for a Section 59 sign to be placed on the footpath at Lime Tree Grove, Danesmoor – PCSO Cocking stated that he would discuss this request with his colleagues. Councillor Mansbridge also discussed the shed security scheme explaining that there was the opportunity for the police to raise awareness on issues such as this at Clay Cross Gala to be held on Saturday 9 July 2011.

Councillor Skinner raised the issue of out of date car tax discs on various vehicles in the Danesmoor area. PCSO Cocking confirmed that this was an issue usually dealt with by the DVLA. Councillor Skinner also raised the issue of speeding cars on Springvale Road, Danesmoor. PCSO Cocking reported that the police had not been made aware of this and they had not received any reports either from members of the public however, now that he had been made aware he would discuss this further with his colleagues.

Councillor Holmes raised the issue of white vans going around the Parish collecting scrap. PCSO Cocking confirmed that the police are aware of this and have carried out 'stop and search' operations on a number vans to check if they have the appropriate waste licence - visits to local scrap yards have also been carried out to check their paperwork etc.

Councillor Riggott asked PCSO Cocking if any funding toward the shed security scheme would be spent within the Parish. PCSO Cocking confirmed that the money would only be used in Clay Cross Parish. Councillor Riggott also asked if there were any figures on returned stolen goods. PCSO Cocking agreed to look into this and try to provide figures.

Councillor Riggott raised police visits to Bevan Road play area following reports sent from the Parish Council. PCSO Cocking confirmed that he has patrolled this area on his late shifts and followed up leads on graffiti but has not seen anyone committing an offence, he has also spoken with local residents.

Councillor Morley raised his concerns that since the closure of The Royal Volunteer public house the problems with unsocial behaviour etc seem to have now moved on to The Three Bar public house. PCSO Cocking confirmed that the police are aware of this and are in discussions with the District Council Licensing Department.

At this point PCSO Cocking was thanked for his attendance and left the meeting.

County Councillor/District Councillor Attendance

There were no County Council/District Council matters to report at this meeting.

PART I – PUBLIC BUSINESS

1011/11 Election of Chair Person

Resolved That: Councillor G Morley be elected Chair of the Council for the coming year.

1012/11 Election of Vice Chair

Resolved That: Councillor M Holmes be elected Vice Chair of the Council for the coming year.

1013/11 Clay Cross Parish Council Standing Orders

Resolved That: Clay Cross Parish Council Standing Orders (circulated) be approved and adopted.

1014/11 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils (DALC) and Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC)

Parish Clerk reported that the fee to renew the subscription of DALC for the coming year will be £829.67 however the subscription fee for SLCC for the year would be £163. It was noted that both organisations provide the same benefits ie advisory service, training, representation and information on current affairs within the sector. ***Resolved That: Clay Cross Parish Council withdraws from DALC with immediate effect and that the Parish Clerk makes the necessary arrangements to join SLCC.***

1015/11 Appointment of Members of Finance Sub-Committee

Resolved That: Councillor A Jackson, Councillor E Mansbridge, Councillor G Morley, Councillor P Riggott and Councillor F Rodgers be members of the Finance Sub-Committee.

1016/11 Appointment of Members of Cemetery Working Group

Resolved That: Councillor A Jackson, Councillor G Morley and Councillor B Wright be members of the Cemetery Working Group.

1017/11 Appointment of Members of Social Centre Working Group

Resolved That: Councillor M Holmes, Councillor G Morley and Councillor Mrs T Reader be members of the Social Centre Working Group.

1018/11 Appointment of Members of Street Scene Working Group

Resolved That: *Councillor M Holmes, Councillor A Jackson, Councillor Mrs T Reader, Councillor P Riggott and Councillor D Skinner be members of the Street Scene Working Group.*

1019/11 Appointment of Members of Planning and Environmental Working Group

Resolved That: *Councillor M Holmes, Councillor A Jackson, Councillor E Mansbridge, Councillor F Rodgers and Councillor D Skinner be members of the Planning and Environmental Working Group.*

1020/11 Appointment of Parish Footpaths Inspector(s)

Resolved That: *Councillor E Mansbridge and Councillor D Skinner be appointed Parish Footpaths Inspectors.*

1021/11 Appointment of an Appointment Committee

Resolved That: *Councillor M Holmes, Councillor E Mansbridge, Councillor G Morley and Councillor K G Savidge be members of the Appointments Committee – the remaining seven members of the Parish Council be substitutes.*

1022/11 Appointment of Grievance Committee

Resolved That: *any three from the eleven members of the Parish Council be members of the Grievance Committee*

1023/11 Appointment of Appeals Committee

Resolved That: *any three of the eleven members of the Parish Council who have not sat on the Grievance Committee be members of the Appeals Committee.*

1024/11 Appointment of Disciplinary Committee

Resolved That: *any three of the eleven members of the Parish Council who have not sat on the Grievance Committee or the Appeals Committee be members of the Disciplinary Committee.*

1025/11 Appointment of School Governors

Resolved That: *the Parish Clerk contacts Holmgate Primary School and Sharley Park Community Primary School regarding vacancies on their Governing Bodies and would they consider a Parish Council representative.*

1026/11 Appointment of Representatives on Outside Bodies

Age Concern: Councillor K G Savidge. Derbyshire Association of Local Councils: to be left vacant. Danesmoor Darby & Joan Club: Councillor M Holmes. Clay Cross Darby & Joan Club: Councillor A Jackson. Holmgate Darby & Joan Club: Councillor D Skinner. Holmgate Community Association: Councillor P Riggott and Councillor K G Savidge. Clay Cross Angling Association: Councillor A Jackson. Clay Cross Citizens Advice Bureau: to be left vacant. Arthur Brierly Charity: Councillor F Rodgers, Councillor E Mansbridge and Councillor K G Savidge. William Udall Trust: Councillor F Rodgers and Councillor A Jackson. Stevenson Charity: Councillor M Holmes and Councillor K G Savidge.

1027/11 Authorisation to sign Clay Cross Parish Council cheques

Resolved That: Councillor M Holmes, Councillor A Jackson, Councillor F Rodgers and Councillor K G Savidge to sign Clay Cross Parish Council cheques.

1028/11 To Agree a Calendar of Meetings for 2011/12

Finance Sub-Committee Meetings (Wednesday): 22.6.11, 20.7.11, 21.9.11, 19.10.11, 16.11.11, 18.1.12, 22.2.12, 18.4.12.

Parish Council Meetings (Tuesday): 28.6.11, 26.7.11, 27.9.11, 25.10.11, 22.11.11, 24.1.12, 28.2.12, 24.4.12.

1029/11 Apologies for Absence

Parish Clerk reported that Apologies for Absence had been received from Councillor B Wright.

1030/11 Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest at this meeting.

1031/11 Exclusion of Public

To determine which items, if any, from Part I of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. **Resolved That: no matters be taken in exclusion.**

1032/11 Minutes of Last Meeting

To receive Minutes and, subject to any changes necessary, to approve the Minutes of the meeting as a correct record. **Resolved That: the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 26 April 2011 approved as a correct record and signed by Councillor G Morley, Chair.**

Work In Progress

Further to minute no **969/10** regarding the Citizens Advice Bureau, Clay Cross branch. Parish Clerk reported that as requested a letter was sent to their Chief Executive, Phil Morris offering them the possibility of providing outreach services from the Parish Council office but, no reply has been received to date.

Further to minute no **981/11** regarding the District & Parish Liaison Group. **It was agreed to invite Adrian Kirkham and Andrew Towlerton from the District Council to give a presentation of the Localism Bill to members of the Parish Council on Tuesday 24 May 2011 at 5pm in the Parish Council office.**

1033/11 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

There were no Reports from Representative on Outside Bodies.

1034/11 Report from Parish Footpath Inspectors

Councillor Mansbridge reported the closure of footpath 36 to facilitate public safety during construction works. It was requested that contact is made with Derbyshire County Council regarding the continued closure of footpath 48 and an indication of when this path will be reopened. Councillor Mansbridge confirmed that the Clay Cross Discovery Walk will take place on Sunday 22 May 2011 and that it is fully booked.

1035/11 Planning Matters

To following Planning Applications were considered. **Resolved That:**

- 1. *Planning Application 10/01002/FL Redevelopment of caravan Storage and motor vehicle repair yard, demolition of dwelling and vehicle repair building and erection of 4 blocks comprising of office and commercial unit (B1) with parking, turning areas and private drainage system (major development) (private drainage system) (amended plan) at site of former Marshalls Garage Repair Centre and Caravan Storage, Pilsley Road, Danesmoor for Mr S Marshall is noted.***
- 2. *Planning Application 10/01011/AD Application for advertisement consent to display two fascia signs on waveform structure (max height 9.5m) (amended plan) at site of former Marshalls Garage Repair Centre and Caravan Storage, Pilsley Road, Danesmoor for Mr S Marshall is noted.***
- 3. *Planning Application 11/00279/OL Outline application (means for access and scale not reserved) for four dwellings (resubmission of 10/00668/OL) at Wynds Point, Stretton Road, Clay Cross for Mr A Saint. The Parish Council object to this planning application on the basis of an increase in the amount of potential vehicles and traffic, damage to the***

visual environment, that this is a 'back garden' development and there appears to be no provision for affordable housing.

- 4. Planning Application 11/00357/FLH Construction of two storey extension and alterations (revised scheme to NED/10/01056/FL) at Stretton Hall Farm, Newmarket Lane, Clay Cross for Mark Meredith is noted.***
- 5. Planning Application CD4/0411/8 Proposed to extend the time limit for the implementation of the planning permission for a household waste recycling centre at Upper Mantle Close, Clay Cross for Derbyshire County Council. The Parish Council object to the delay in the progress of this amenity site. This site is needed as a matter of urgency for Clay Cross to meet their recycling targets and disposal of waste for the area – people of Clay Cross now travel to Bolsover, Stonegravels and Huthwaite to deposit their waste meaning a cost to them and unwanted omissions into an already polluted atmosphere from with vehicles.***

Work in Progress

Parish Clerk and Administrative Assistant reported that there was no Work In Progress.

1036/11 Street Scene Matters

Work In Progress

Parish Clerk and Administrative Assistant reported that there was no Work In Progress.

1037/11 Cemetery Matters

Work in Progress

Parish Clerk and Administrative Assistant reported that there was no Work In Progress.

1038/11 Social Centre Matters

Work In Progress

Further to minute no **1008/11** regarding the running of the Social Centre bar. Councillor Morley, Chair reported that a meeting was held with Peter Madden on Tuesday 3 May 2011 when he was informed that Clay Cross Parish Council have agreed to him continuing to run the bar on a week to week basis. It was further reported that April's bar takings share has now been received.

1039/11 Finance Matters

The Operation Olton funding bid submitted by PC Adam Bryan (circulated) and the information given at the meeting by PCSO Andrew Cocking was discussed. ***Resolved That: whilst the Parish Council feel this operation will improve safety in the Clay Cross area, they cannot agree to the allocation of monies for the hire of a passive drugs dog and handler. As indicated at the meeting, monies are tight for the Parish Council this year and no budget has been set for this or any other initiative.***

Work In Progress

Parish Clerk reported that there was no Work In Progress.

1040/11 Clerk's Report/Items for Decision and for Information

1. **North East Derbyshire District Council:** invitation to attend a Planning Event on Saturday 11 June 2011 at Council House, Saltergate, Chesterfield
2. **North East Derbyshire District Council:** invitation to attend the District & Parish Liaison Group meeting on Wednesday 27 July 2011 at Council House, Saltergate, Chesterfield

Resolved That:

1. ***all members of the Planning & Environmental Working Group and the Administrative Assistant attend the Planning Event on Saturday 11 June 2011***
2. ***Councillor Mansbridge attends the District & Parish Liaison Group Meeting on Wednesday 27 July 2011***

1041/11 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved That: the next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Parish Council office on Tuesday 28 June 2011.