

# CLAY CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Clay Cross Parish Council meeting held in the Clay Cross Parish Council office on Tuesday 22 October 2013 at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Councillor G Morley ..... Chair  
Councillor M Holmes ..... Vice Chair

Councillor E Mansbridge                      Councillor D Skinner  
Councillor Mrs T Reader                      Councillor B Wright  
Councillor A Reader

**Also Present:** Dawn Kershaw, Parish Clerk  
Shelagh Shaw, Administrative Assistant  
Sergeant Aiden Stones, Clay Cross Police  
PC Emily Sunderland, Clay Cross Police

## **Public Participation**

There were no members of public in attendance.

## **Police Consultation**

Sergeant Stones circulated crime figures for September and went on to report there were 3 incidents of violence against person(s), 11 incidents of stealing, 2 incidents of vehicle crime, 4 incidents of criminal damage/arson and 2 drug offences.

It was noted that during November and December, the Safer Neighbourhood Team will be running an operation to deter shoplifters and help reduce the risk of purse thefts by handing out purse bells. There will be uniformed and plain clothed patrols taking place in shops and businesses.

Councillor Mansbridge raised concerns that the spate of damaged windows in the town centre may be as a consequence of the recent irresponsible article in the Derbyshire Times regarding the CCTV system in Clay Cross. It was felt that this article was reckless and should not have gone to press.

Councillor Wright raised concerns that vandalism is re-occurring again in the Parish and it is familiar graffiti.

Councillor Morley again raised the parking on Eyre Street outside the take away outlets on double yellow lines, which are causing an obstruction. Councillor Morley requested that the Police move them on to the car park a few yards away.

### **Clay Cross SNT Priorities**

Sergeant Stones gave a report on current priorities for the Safer Neighbourhood Team and confirmed that following the withdrawal of the Community Safety Partnerships, the mechanism for setting priorities for a beat had been lost. A discussion with Councillors present gave input into new priorities and it was agreed that these would be checked at each monthly Parish Council meeting, with an opportunity to add or remove.

### **County Council/District Council Matters**

Councillor Wright gave a resume of County Council and District Council matters for the benefit of members present. It was reported that the Government have directed the County Council to save £157 million; this will have an effect on every service provided but everything will be done to protect front line services.

### **PART I – PUBLIC BUSINESS**

***Members were reminded to declare an interest as appropriate.***

#### **1313/13 Apologies for Absence**

Parish Clerk reported that Apologies for Absence had been received from Councillor Jackson, Councillor Rodgers and Councillor Savidge.

#### **1314/13 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.***

#### **1315/13 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 on the 24 September 2013 be approved as a correct record.***

#### **Work In Progress**

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

#### **1316/13 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies**

Councillor Mansbridge gave a resume of the Clay Cross Town Centre Group meeting which he attended on Tuesday 15 October 2013 for the benefit to members present.

### **1317/13 Planning & Environmental Matters**

Councillor Mrs Reader declared an interest as a member of the District Council Planning Committee. Councillor Wright declared an interest as a member of the District Council Planning Committee and as Vice Chair of the County Council Planning Committee.

To receive the Minutes of the Planning & Environmental Working Group meeting held on the 14 October 2013 and to receive recommendations for resolution. **Resolved That:**

- 1. following a vote of 4 in favour and 1 against, no objections are raised regarding planning application 13/00767/FL***
- 2. the Minutes of the Planning & Environmental Working Group meeting held on the 14 October 2013 be received***

### **Work in Progress**

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

### **1318/13 Street Scene Matters**

To receive the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held on the 7 October 2013 and to receive recommendations for resolution. **Resolved That:**

- 1. the land leased from the District Council off Springvale Road, Danesmoor is handed back to the District Council and the lease be terminated***
- 2. the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held on the 7 October 2013 be received***

### **Work In Progress**

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

### **1319/13 Cemetery Matters**

To receive the Minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting held on the 11 October 2013 and to receive recommendations for resolution. **Resolved That: the Minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting held on the 11 October 2013 be received.**

### **Work In Progress**

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

### **1320/13 Social Centre & Events Matters**

To receive the minutes of the Social Centre & Events Working Group meeting held on the 7 October 2013 and to receive recommendations for resolution. At this point, Parish Clerk reported that tickets for the Shirland Band Christmas Concert to be held at the Social Centre on Saturday 14 December 2013 have sold out. **Resolved That: the Minutes of the Social Centre & Events Working Group meeting held on the 7 October 2013 be received.**

### **Work in Progress**

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

### **1321/13 Finance Matters**

To receive the report and recommendations for resolution from the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held on the 16 October 2013. **Resolved That:**

- 1. the report of the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held on the 16 October 2013 be received**
- 2. £100 is donated to the Woodthorpe Inn Skittles Team on the proviso that this donation is used to help the Team meet the cost of the alterations that are required so they can continue to play skittles in 2014**
- 3. the monthly statements for July 2013, August 2013 and September 2013 be accepted**
- 4. expenditure and income against budget report for July 2013, August 2013 and September 2013 be accepted**

<b>5. the following Accounts for Payment are approved:</b>	
<b>KB INDUSTRIES LTD (PATH FOR BEVAN ROAD COMMUNITY GARDEN)</b>	<b>£4,860.00</b>
<b>PARISH COUNCIL STAFF WAGES (TAX MONTH 7)</b>	<b>£4,269.39</b>
<b>DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (PENSION FOR SEPTEMBER)</b>	<b>£398.93</b>
<b>POST OFFICE LTD (NI &amp; TAX PAYMENT FOR SEPTEMBER)</b>	<b>£501.20</b>
<b>PAULINE STRINGFELLOW (DANCES FOR OCTOBER)</b>	<b>£175.00</b>
<b>SOCIAL CENTRE DAMAGE BOND REFUNDS</b>	<b>£200.00</b>
<b>CHESTERFIELD GAS CO/TESCO STORES (BAR SUPPLIES)</b>	<b>£683.13</b>
<b>CHESTERFIELD CASH REGISTERS (REPAIRS TO BAR CASH REGISTER)</b>	<b>£109.20</b>
<b>ELITE PROJECTS PROPERTY SOLUTIONS (WORK AT FISHERS LANE &amp; DANESMOOR CEMETERY)</b>	<b>£825.00</b>
<b>STRAWBERRY BASKET (LUNCH CLUB SUPPLIES FOR SEPTEMBER)</b>	<b>£69.65</b>
<b>CROFT FARM MEATS (LUNCH CLUB SUPPLIES FOR SEPTEMBER)</b>	<b>£191.89</b>
<b>BOOKER CASH &amp; CARRY (LUNCH CLUB, REFRESHMENT &amp; BAR SUPPLIES)</b>	<b>£581.35</b>
<b>PARISH TV LICENCE REFUNDS (31 @ £25)</b>	<b>£775.00</b>
<b>DESIGNS DIRECT (SOCIAL CENTRE CLEANING MATERIALS)</b>	<b>£354.11</b>
<b>NEDDC (COST TO PRINT PARISH CLERK LETTERHEADS)</b>	<b>£123.60</b>

<b>OSI LTD (STATIONERY FOR PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE)</b>	<b>£110.51</b>
<b>SEVEN PROMOTIONS (SOCIAL CENTRE &amp; MARKET ADS IN SHOPPERS GUIDE)</b>	<b>£360.00</b>
<b>CO-OP BANK CHARGES</b>	<b>£31.00</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>£14,618.96</b>
<b>6. the following Income is noted:</b>	
<b>CLAY CROSS SOCIAL CENTRE HIRE</b>	<b>£662.00</b>
<b>SOCIAL CENTRE BAR TAKINGS: 26.9.13, 27.9.13, 3.10.13, 5.10.13, 10.10.13, 12.10.13</b>	<b>£2,285.10</b>
<b>2013/14 PARISH ALLOTMENT RENTS</b>	<b>£711.00</b>
<b>LUNCH CLUB 24.9.13, 1.10.13, 8.10.13, 15.10.13</b>	<b>£590.80</b>
<b>BINGO 25.9.13, 2.10.13, 9.10.13</b>	<b>£132.95</b>
<b>DANCE 26.9.13, 3.10.13, 10.10.13</b>	<b>£270.11</b>
<b>MARKET RENTS (FOR SEPTEMBER)</b>	<b>£120.00</b>
<b>SALE OF REFRESHMENTS 24.9.13, 1.10.13, 8.10.13, 15.10.13</b>	<b>£34.50</b>
<b>CXPC CHRISTMAS MARKET 14.12.13 (BOOKING OF STALLS)</b>	<b>£10.00</b>
<b>CEMETERY LODGE RENT</b>	<b>£147.08</b>
<b>BANK INTEREST</b>	<b>£0.20</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>£4,963.74</b>

### **Work In Progress**

Further to minute no **1270/13** regarding the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2013. Parish Clerk reported that Grant Thornton LLP have completed the Audit for the year ended 31 March 2013. On the basis of their opinion the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to their attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met. Other matter not affecting their opinion which they wish to draw to the attention of the Parish Council: it was noted that the Internal Auditor prepares the annual financial statement. The Council still takes responsibility for the accounts, however it is ideal if the internal auditor has not assisted the Council with accounting services during the year or in the preparation of the Annual Return. **It was agreed that the Parish Clerk write to Grant Thornton LLP to challenge their opinion.**

### **1322/13 Items for Decision & Information**

- 1. North East Derbyshire District Council:** Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations (representations to be submitted by 1 November 2013)
- 2. Westminster Publications:** copy of the first ever edition of 2012/2013 The Parliamentary Review

**Resolved That: the Items for Decision & Information are noted**

**1323/13 Date of Next Meeting**

***Resolved That: the next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Parish Council office on Tuesday 26 November 2013***