CLAY CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Clay Cross Parish Council meeting held in the Clay Cross Parish Council office on Tuesday 26 October 2010 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillor G Morley Chair

Councillor M Holmes Vice Chair

Councillor Mrs K Holmes Councillor P Riggott
Councillor A Jackson Councillor D Skinner
Councillor E Mansbridge Councillor B Wright

Also Present: Dawn Kershaw, Parish Clerk

Shelagh Shaw, Administrative Assistant

Sergeant Sally Blaiklock

Public Participation

Sergeant Blaiklock in the absence of Rob Dalton gave a resume of Operation Relentless – DWP Community Task Force. If an unemployed person has been claiming job seekers allowance for six months or more they will be asked to work on a community project for a minimum of twelve weeks in their local area. The work provider is expected to fund the cost of any products/materials required but labour costs will be free of charge. It is hoped that funding will be secured to run the scheme for five years. Councillor Skinner raised his concerns regarding the unemployed being forced to work for benefit.

Police Matters

Sergeant Blaiklock reported that activities had been run during the half term school holidays with the assistance of the Youth Service.

Sergeant Blaiklock gave a summary of calls for service and crime figures. Nuisance calls were 22 calls in August, 14 calls in September and 4 calls in October. Figures are one crime down on last year. Drug offences have increased within Clay Cross and Holmgate but this issue is being dealt with as a priority. There has also been an increase in reported criminal damage. Councillor Riggott requested that crime figures are sent through to the Parish Council office prior to meetings.

County Councillor/District Councillor Attendance

Councillor Riggott requested members of the Parish Council sign the online petition regarding cuts in Adult Education. Councillor Riggott also gave a resume of the District Council spending review.

PART I – PUBLIC BUSINESS

939/10 Apologies for Absence

Parish Clerk reported that Apologies for Absence had been received from Councillor Mrs A Bradley, Councillor J Holmes and Councillor K Savidge.

940/10 Declaration of Interest

Councillor Wright made the following declaration regarding his role on Planning matters. During this Parish Council meeting on Planning matters, he shall not be expressing a conclusive view on the applications and give a declaration that we will be formally reconsidering the matters when we are in receipt of all the information at the District Council Planning Committee.

Councillor Riggott also declared a personal interest regarding a written bid submitted for equipment from the Cemetery.

941/10 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.

942/10 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:**

- 1. the resolutions outlined in the Budget Cost Report submitted by Councillor Skinner be added to the Minutes as agreed at the Parish Council meeting held 28 September 2010
- 2. once amended, the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 28 September 2010 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair

Work In Progress

Parish Clerk reported that there was no Work in Progress.

943/10 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

There were no Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies.

944/10 Report from Parish Footpath Inspectors

It was agreed to deal with this Agenda item as part of the Street Scene Working Group meeting report.

945/10 Planning Matters

To receive the Minutes of the Planning Working Group meeting held 19 October 2010 and to receive recommendations for resolution. **Resolved That:**

- 1. the Minutes of the Planning Working Group meeting held 19 October 2010 be approved as a correct record and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair
- 2. the Administrative Assistant contact Mark & Judith Meredith to arrange a mutually convenient date for members of the Parish Council to visit Stretton Hall Farm

Work In Progress

Administrative Assistant reported that there was no Work in Progress.

946/10 Street Scene Matters

To receive the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held 13 October 2010 and to receive recommendations for resolution. Resolved That: the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held 13 October 2010 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair

Work In Progress

Further to minute no **932/10** regarding Operation Relentless – DWP Community Task Force. Following the information given by Sergeant Blaiklock, it was agreed to invite a representative from the Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Centre to give a presentation on this scheme.

Further to minute **932/10** regarding Springvale Road brook clearance day on Saturday 23 October 2010. Councillor Mansbridge reported that the day was a huge success, with plenty of assistance from local residents and Councillors alike.

Further to minute **817/09** regarding Marketing the Markets. Administrative Assistant reported that at a meeting held on the 19 October 2010 with North East Derbyshire District Council and other local Parish Councils involved in the project, it was confirmed that funding had been agreed from LEADER to hold a series of events to attract visitors and new market stalls within the District. Arrangements are underway for the first event to be held on Saturday 11 December 2010. The outdoor Market will run as normal but it is hoped that a number of 'craft' style stalls can be booked for an indoor Christmas themed event in the Social Centre.

947/10 Cemetery Matters

Councillor Riggott re-stated his personal interest in this Agenda item. Councillor Riggott left the meeting and took no part in the discussion/debate.

To receive the Minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting held 18 October 2010 and to receive recommendations for resolution.

Resolved That:

- 1. the Minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting held 18 October 2010 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair
- 2. a special meeting of the Cemetery Working Group is held on the 4 November 2010 at 7pm to discuss the future use of the Cemetery Lodge with all members of the Parish Council invited to attend
- 3. Councillor Morley, Chair and the Parish Clerk be given delegated authority to accept the most suitable quotation for the complete re-decoration of the Cemetery Lodge
- 4. Councillor Morley, Chair and the Parish Clerk be given delegated authority to accept the highest offer for the Cemetery ground maintenance equipment which are now surplus to requirements and arrange for their removal from the Cemetery on or after 1 November 2010
- 5. the written bid of £30 received from Councillor Riggott for the coal bunker is accepted

Councillor Riggott returned to the meeting

Work In Progress

Further to minute no **933/10** regarding equipment missing from the Cemetery. Administrative Assistant reported that this issue is being investigated by the Police. Two members of staff and the contract worker have been interviewed, with a further interview still to be carried out.

948/10 Social Centre Matters

To receive the minutes of the Social Centre Working Group meeting held 6 October 2010 and to receive recommendations for resolution. <u>Resolved That:</u> the Minutes of the Social Centre Working Group meeting held 6 October 2010 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair.

Work In Progress

Further to minute no **920/10** regarding the purchase of artwork for the lounge area. Administrative Assistant reported that two 'modern' style pictures had been purchased by Councillor J Holmes at the cost of £29.98. The heritage pictures were still being progressed with the assistance of the Parish Clerk.

949/10 Finance Matters

In the absence of Councillor J Holmes, Councillor Mrs K Holmes gave the report and recommendations for resolution from the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held 20 October 2010. **Resolved That:**

- 1. the monthly statement for September 2010 be accepted and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair
- 2. the expenditure and income against budget report for the month of September 2010 be accepted and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair
- 3. Rykneld Homes meet the full £250 cost for Rentokil Specialist Hygiene to provide a new Watersafe Risk Assessment and that they contribute 35% of the £416.25 cost to clean/chlorinate the cold water storage tank and quarterly tank inspections
- 4. tickets for the Holymoorside Band Christmas Concert to be held at the Social Centre on the 17 December 2010 are priced at £5 and £4 Senior Citizens/Children up to 16 years of age
- 5. Church On The Bus receive a donation of £50 and Clay Cross Cricket Club receive a donation of £150
- 6. the under mentioned payments be authorised:

Parish Council Staff Wages	
(Tax Wks 27-29)	£3,964.37
TV Licence Refunds (36 @ £25)	£900.00
Post Office Ltd (Inland Revenue	
NI and Tax Payment for September)	£556.07
DCC Superanuation	
(Pension Contribution for September)	£659.62
NEDDC (Cost to service Parish dog	
fouling bins: Jan – March 2010)	£984.63
NEDDC (Cost to empty Social Centre	
Bin: 27.9.10 - 27.12.10)	£182.99
NEDDC (Social Centre Rates for Oct)	£953.00
NEDDC (Cemetery Rates for Oct)	£210.00
NEDDC (Public Convenience Rates	
For Oct)	£166.00
Booker Cash & Carry (Lunch Club	

Provisions for September)	£295.26
I Wright (Dance's for October)	£140.00
Heron Publications (Social Centre	
And Market adverts in WINGS)	£176.25
Npower (Gas for Social Centre)	£143.44
Severn Trent Water (for Tranmere	
Ave allotment site: 26.4.10 - 5.10.10)	£92.93
Contract Natural Gas (for Clay	
Cross Cemetery)	£45.37
Social Centre Damage Bond Refund	£50.00
Co-op Bank (Charges)	£61.00
e.on (Hill Street Lighting)	£5.38
TOTAL	£0 586 3

TOTAL: £9,586.31

7. the following income is noted:

Rykneld Homes (2 nd qtr Social	
Centre Service Charge Payment)	£2,500.00
Clay Cross Social Centre Hire	£1,103.71
Market Rent 2.10.10, 9.10.10	£172.75
Lunch Club 21.9.10, 28.9.10, 5.10.10	£481.60
Bingo 22.9.10, 29.9.10, 6.10.10	£135.55
Dance 23.9.10, 30.9.10, 7.10.10	£209.90
Co-op Bank (Interest)	£00.22

Total: £4,603.73

Work In Progress

Further to minute **916/10** regarding the Supply of School Milk Scheme. **Resolved That:** £364 is sent to each School with instruction that it be spent on milk or healthy/nutritious snacks.

Further to minute **897/10** regarding the Accounts for Year End 31 March 2010. Parish Clerk reported that the completion of the Annual Audit has been received from the Audit Commission. The External Auditor has raised no matters giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met and there are no other matters affecting this opinion.

950/10 Parish Clerk's Report/Items for Decision and Information

Parish Clerk reported that there was no Parish Clerk's Report/Items for Discussion and Information.

951/10 Date of Next Meeting

<u>Resolved that:</u> the next Parish Council meeting is held Tuesday 23 November 2010 at 7pm in the Parish Council office.