# **CLAY CROSS PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Clay Cross Parish Council meeting held in the Clay Cross Parish Council office on Tuesday 26 February 2013 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillor G Morley ...... Chair

Councillor A Jackson Councillor F Rodgers
Councillor E Mansbridge Councillor Mrs T Reader Councillor A Reader Councillor B Wright

**Also Present:** Dawn Kershaw, Parish Clerk

Shelagh Shaw, Administrative Assistant

PCSO Stephen Sweet 4 Members of Public

## **Public Participation**

Mr Wilson a resident of High Street, Clay Cross attended this meeting following comments from the full Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 22 January 2013. Parish Clerk confirmed that letters had been sent out to North East Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council but no replies had been received to date. It was agreed that the Parish Clerk would write on behalf of Mr Wilson to Natascha Engel MP and that Councillor Wright would also investigate this matter.

Three residents from Broadleys, Clay Cross raised their concerns regarding Planning Application 13/00055/FL the demolition of existing storage building and construction of two no. 3 bedroom dwellings for at 20-24 Broadleys for Mr P Holland – Minorfern Ltd. At this point Councillor Mrs Reader, Councillor Savidge and Councillor Wright declared an interest as members of the District Council Planning Committee. Councillor Mansbridge read out the proposed objections discussed at the Planning & Environmental Working Group meeting held on Monday 18 February 2013 which will go forward for consideration/approval by the full Parish Council later in the evening's Agenda.

## **Police Consultation**

PCSO Sweet circulated crime figures for January and February and discussed them in detail. There were 2 violent crimes, 15 reports of stealing, 7 reports of criminal damage and 4 drug offences.

There is obvious concern as two domestic burglaries have been reported. Offenders gained entry to the properties through open/unlocked doors and personal belongings taken. Patrols have been increased during evening hours in the community to prevent further incidents and investigations into these burglaries are currently ongoing.

Two successful drug warrants were executed last week. One male was charged with possession of cannabis and a cannabis grow was located at a different address where 26 mature cannabis plants were being cultivated.

There were 16 (9 in January and 7 in February) anti-social/nuisance calls for service. The majority of the calls were connected to the local children's care home following issues with young residents. Several others were linked with a sheltered housing resident with learning difficulties. Others include neighbour nuisance and noise nuisance.

There were 23 (13 in January and 10 in February) suspicious activity calls for service. There were several calls from residents in relation to cold callers. A few calls were linked with scrap collectors in the area and several others were drug linked information.

There were 4 (3 in January and 1 in February) vehicle nuisance calls for service. Two of these calls were regarding vehicles revving engines and playing loud music.

A reduction in anti-social behaviour has been noticed regarding nuisance youths in the area and alcohol related nuisance/disorder following increased patrols to 'hot-spot' locations. Alcohol is still being seized from under 18's and the licensing team are currently working with several shops/stores to reduce further illegal sales and educating store staff following their findings. Several alcohol related nuisance letters have been sent out in the last two months to parents/guardians. There are a couple of individuals who now have two letters.

It was confirmed that PCSO 12717 Charlotte Platts has now completed her training and is the newest member of the Clay Cross SNT. Charlotte has already made good contacts in the community and will be a great asset to the team.

Councillor Morley raised ongoing problems with cars parking on Eyre Street. PCSO Sweet confirmed that officers have been into the take-away outlets to talk to the staff who are the main culprits. Council members feel that not enough is being done and asked that this issue be passed on to Inspector Hoggard, with the request that a harder approach is taken to deal with this issue once and for all.

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

There were no County Council/District Council Matters reported.

## **PART I - PUBLIC BUSINESS**

Members were reminded to declare an interest as appropriate.

#### 1231/13 Apologies for Absence

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

#### 1232/13 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.

## 1233/13 Minutes of Last Meeting

To receive Minutes and, subject to any changes necessary, to approve the Minutes of the meeting as a correct record. <u>Resolved That:</u> the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 22 January 2013 be approved as a correct record.

## **Work In Progress**

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

#### 1234/13 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

<u>Resolved That:</u> members of Clay Cross Parish Council will attend Clay Cross Town Centre Group meetings on a rota/alphabetical order basis once dates for their meetings have been received.

## 1235/13 Planning & Environmental Matters

Councillor Mrs Reader, Councillor Savidge and Councillor Wright declared an interest as members of the District Council Planning Committee.

To receive the Minutes of the Planning & Environmental Working Group meetings held on the 18 February 2013 and to receive recommendations for resolution. Resolved That: the Minutes of the Planning & Environmental Working Group meetings held on the 18 February be received.

#### **Work in Progress**

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

#### 1236/13 Street Scene Matters

To receive the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held on the 11 February 2013 and to receive recommendations for resolution. Resolved That: the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held on the 11 February 2013 be received.

#### **Work In Progress**

Further to minute no **1225/13** regarding the Clay Cross bus station public toilet block. Parish Clerk reported that the District Council have confirmed that the Parish Council can take back the toilet block

maintenance and they do not believe there would be any TUPE implications mainly due to the toilet block duties not exceeding 50% of the employee's total working week. Resolved That: the post of Cleaner is advertised at 12 hours per week, £6.58 per hour (increasing to £6.66 from 1 April 2013).

## 1237/13 Cemetery Matters

To receive the Minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting held on 7 February 2013 and to receive recommendations for resolution. <u>Resolved That:</u> the Minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting held on the 7 February 2013 be received.

## **Work in Progress**

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

## 1238/13 Social Centre & Events Matters

To receive the minutes of the Social Centre & Events Working Group meeting held on the 4 February 2013 and to receive recommendations for resolution. Resolved That: the Minutes of the Social Centre & Events Working Group meeting held on the 4 February 2013 be received.

## **Work in Progress**

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

#### 1239/13 Finance Matters

To receive the report and recommendations for resolution from the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held on the 20 February 2013. **Resolved That:** 

- 1. the report of the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held on the 20 February 2013 be received
- 2. the monthly statement for January 2013 be accepted
- 3. the expenditure and income against budget report for January 2013 be accepted

4. the following Accounts for Payment are approved:	
STAFF WAGES (TAX MONTH 10)	£3,153.51
TV LICENCE REFUNDS (23 @ £25)	£575.00
BOOKER CASH & CARRY (LUNCH CLUB & REFRESHMENT SUPPLIES)	£298.58
SEVEN PROMOTION (SHOPPERS GUIDE ADVERT)	£140.00
NEDDC (PARISH STREET CLEANING ETC: OCTOBER - DECEMBER)	£6,667.40

NEDDC (MANAGEMENT & MAINTENANCE OF CEMETERY: OCT - DEC)	£9,674.30
HERON PUBLICATIONS (SOCIAL CENTRE ADVERTS IN WINGS MAGAZINE)	£180.00
M&M TIMBER & BUILDING SUPPLIES (REPLENISH GRIT IN PARISH BINS)	£718.80
POST OFFICE LTD (NI & TAX PAYMENT FOR JANUARY)	£789.52
DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS FOR JANUARY)	£759.69
BLACHERE ILLUMINATIONS LTD (CHRISTMAS LIGHTING COSTS)	£2,277.00
PAULINE STRINGFELLOW (DANCES FOR FEBRUARY)	£140.00
STRAWBERRY BASKET (LUNCH CLUB SUPPLIES)	£110.55
NPOWER (GAS FOR SOCIAL CENTRE: 31.12.12 - 31.1.13)	£815.44
BRITISH TELECOM (PARISH OFFICE CALLS/LINE RENTAL)	£274.59
D HIGGINBOTTOM (BUS SHELTERS & WINDOW CLEANING)	£157.00
STONE & MARBLE LTD (WORK TO DANESMOOR WAR MEMORIAL)	£1,628.40
DAMAGE BOND REFUND	£50.00
MR JEEVES (SOCIAL CENTRE LAUNDRY)	£39.00
CO-OP BANK (CHARGES)	£2.00
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## **Work In Progress**

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

## 1240/13 Items for Decision & Information

**North East Derbyshire District Council:** invitation to attend the next District & Parish Liaison Group meeting to be held on Wednesday 20 March 2013 in the Council Chamber, Council House, Saltergate. **Resolved That:** the Items for Decision & Information are noted.

# 1241/13 Date of Next Meeting

<u>Resolved That:</u> the next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Parish Council office on Tuesday 23 April 2013.