

CLAY CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Clay Cross Parish Council meeting held in the Clay Cross Parish Council office on Tuesday 28 September 2010 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillor G Morley Chair
Councillor M Holmes Vice Chair

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

Also Present: Inspector M Shooter, PCSO Andrew Cocking

Public Participation

There were no members of the public in attendance.

Police Matters

Inspector Michelle Shooter introduced herself and confirmed that she has been in the post since the end of June carrying on from where Adam Waterfall left off. PCSO Cocking advised the meeting of the crime figures for August/September. The production of crime figures are being reviewed. August figures include: 10 assaults, 2 sex offences, 2 burglaries, 1 theft of vehicle, 17 criminal damages and 7 drug offences. Crime figures in general are down on previous months. PCSO Cocking was very positive that they are getting to grips with the youths in the area and that they are working to gain public confidence but it was acknowledged that there is still a lot of work to be done. PCSO Cocking also reported 22 calls for anti-social behaviour, several calls being neighbourhood incidents. Under age drinking is also an issue and 'Operation Rhubarb' is being used.

Councillor Riggott queried if the crime figures provided a breakdown of the Parish to find any local hot spot areas. Inspector Shooter confirmed weekly meetings are held regarding anti-social behaviour problems but she was satisfied that hot spot areas are dealt with. PCSO Cocking confirmed there had been problems at Kenning Park but these have now been tackled with the assistance from the Library staff.

Councillor Skinner questioned who decides the definition of an anti-social behaviour order. Inspector Shooter confirmed that the operator in the Call Centre determines if the call is anti-social behaviour. If this proves not to be the case there is still a call history logged and Officers can investigate any problems.

Councillor Mansbridge asked Inspector Shooter her view on the possibility of losing 25% of Officers due to potential budget cuts. Inspector Shooter stated that whatever happens the Police will deal with the crimes and prioritise, always with careful management of staff.

County Councillor/District Councillor Attendance

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

PART I – PUBLIC BUSINESS

Before the business of the meeting began Councillor Morley, Chair introduced Shelagh Shaw, the newly appointed Administrative Assistant to the meeting.

925/10 Apologies for Absence

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

926/10 Declaration of Interest

Councillor J Holmes, Councillor Savidge and Councillor Wright made the following declaration regarding their dual role on Planning matters. During this Parish Council meeting on Planning matters, we 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.

927/10 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.***

928/10 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: the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 27 July 2010 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair.***

Work In Progress

Further to minute **907/10** regarding Sustainable Communities Act. **Parish Clerk reported that Natasha Engel MP had received a reply from Greg Clark MP and this was circulated to members.**

929/10 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

There were no Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies.

930/10 Report from Parish Footpath Inspectors

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

931/10 Planning Matters

To receive the Minutes of the Planning Working Group meeting held 17 August 2010 and 21 September 2010 and to receive recommendations for resolution. ***Resolved That: the Minutes of the Planning Working Group meeting held 17 August 2010 and 21 September 2010 be approved as a correct record and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair.***

Work In Progress

Administrative Assistant reported that there was no Work In Progress.

932/10 Street Scene Matters

To receive the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held 8 September 2010 and to receive recommendations for resolution.

Resolved That:

- 1. the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held 8 September 2010 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair***
- 2. the land rented from the District Council at Springvale Road, Danesmoor is converted into an allotment site pending legal advice***
- 3. the Parish Council supply a skip for the Springvale Road brook clearance day on Saturday 23 October 2010 at a cost of £80 plus vat***
- 4. a representative is invited to give a presentation regarding Operations Relentless – DWP Community Task Force at the next Parish Council meeting***

Work In Progress

Administrative Assistant reported that there was no Work In Progress.

933/10 Cemetery Matters

At this point Councillor Morley allowed Councillor Wright to raise as a matter of urgency details of items of equipment reported missing from the Cemetery. Councillor Morley, Chair confirmed that the staff presently at work were interviewed regarding this matter on Monday 20 September 2010. It was agreed that this matter is reported to the Police and a request made for this to be investigated thoroughly.

Work In Progress

Administrative Assistant reported that there was no Work In Progress.

934/10 Social Centre Matters

To receive the minutes of the Social Centre Working Group meeting held 1 September 2010 and to receive recommendations for resolution.

Resolved That: the Minutes of the Social Centre Working Group meeting held 1 September 2010 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair

Work In Progress

Administrative Assistant reported that there was no Work In Progress.

935/10 Finance Matters

Councillor J M Holmes, Chair of the Finance Sub-Committee, gave a resume of details discussed at meeting held 22 September 2010.

Resolved That:

- 1. the monthly statement for June 2010, July 2010 and August 2010 be accepted and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair***
- 2. the expenditure and income against budget report for the months of June 2010, July 2010 and August 2010 be accepted and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair***
- 3. Smith of Derby carry out work to fit the Coronation Clock with a new battery circuit board and rechargeable battery at a cost of £447 plus vat***
- 4. the following donations to local organisations for the fiscal year 2009/2010 are approved and that the annual Presentation Evening is held on Saturday 13 November 2010 at Clay Cross Social Centre with entertainment and food provided:***

	£
<i>NEDDC Chairs Appeal:</i>	<i>300.00</i>
<i>Clay Cross Air Cadets:</i>	<i>250.00</i>
<i>Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Centre:</i>	<i>250.00</i>
<i>Clay Cross & District Handi-Cap Club:</i>	<i>200.00</i>
<i>Holmgate Friendly Club:</i>	<i>200.00</i>
<i>Clay Cross & Danesmoor Junior FC:</i>	<i>150.00</i>
<i>Autumn Days Keep Fit/Social Club:</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>Holmgate & Clay Cross Tai Chi Group:</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>The Coalboard NHW Action Group:</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>Golden Days Social Club:</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>Friends of Clay Cross Hospital:</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>Parkhouse Football Club:</i>	<i>100.00</i>

Holmgate Community Centre:	100.00
Clay Cross Darby & Joan Club:	100.00
Danesmoor Darby & Joan Club:	100.00
Holmgate Darby & Joan Club:	100.00
Sharley Park Ladies Bowling Team:	100.00
Sharley Park Mens Bowling Team:	100.00
Holmgate Tenant & Resident Group:	100.00
Lower Clay Lane Neighbourhood Watch:	100.00
Home-Start Bolsover & Clay Cross Area:	100.00
St John Ambulance Parkhouse Division:	100.00
Barney's Baby & Toddler Group:	100.00
The Woodthorpe Inn Skittles Team	50.00
Relate Chesterfield & North Derbyshire:	50.00
Clay Cross Playgroup:	50.00
St Barnabas' Pre-School:	50.00
Clay Cross Model Railway Society:	50.00

5. the under mentioned payment be authorised:

Parish Council Staff Wages (Tax Wks 23-25)	£3,484.28
G W Wright (grave digging and Labourer: 5.7.10-13.8.10)	£3,375.78
Printability 2000 Ltd (cost to print CXPC Annual Report 2009)	£1,325.00
TV Licence Refunds (53 @ £25)	£1,325.00
Post Office Ltd (Inland Revenue NI and Tax Payment for August)	£682.42
DCC Superannuation (pension Contributions for August)	£834.67
Chubb Fire Ltd (cost to service Social Centre fire extinguishers)	£953.70
Social Centre Damage Bond Refunds (6 @ £50)	£300.00
NEDDC (Social Centre Rates for Aug)	£953.00
NEDDC (Cemetery Rates for Aug)	£210.00
NEDDC (Public Convenience Rates For Aug)	£166.00
Post Office Ltd (Stamps)	£105.00
Contract Natural Gas (for Clay Cross Cemetery)	£43.20
Npower (Gas for Social Centre)	£36.46
Co-op Bank (Charges)	£14.00
TOTAL:	£13,808.51

6. the following income is noted:

NEDDC (2nd Precept Payment)	£107,000.00
Clay Cross Social Centre Hire Market Rene 21.8.10, 28.8.10 4.9.10, 11.9.10	£234.50
Luncheon Club 7.9.10, 14.9.10	£380.80
Bingo 18.8.10, 25.8.10, 1.9.10, 8.9.10, 15.9.10	£223.15

<i>Dance 19.8.10, 26.8.10, 2.9.10, 9.9.10, 16.9.10</i>	£360.21
<i>Co-op Bank (Interest)</i>	£00.20
TOTAL:	£109,371.86

Work In Progress

Further to minute **916/10** Supply of School Milk Scheme. **Parish Clerk reported figures are still to come in from Holmgate Primary School and this item to be discussed further.**

936/10 Parish Clerk's Report/Items for Decision and Information

1. **BCN Consultancy Building Control:** postal addresses for new properties at Lower Mantle Close, Clay Cross
2. **North East Derbyshire District Council:** invitation to attend District & Parish Liaison Group meeting on Wednesday 17 November 2010 at Council House, Saltergate
3. **Derbyshire County Council:** invitation to attend Parish & Town Council Liaison meeting on Thursday 21 October 2010 at County Hall, Matlock
4. **Budget Cuts – Effects upon Clay Cross:** to consider content of summery document prepared by Councillor D Skinner (circulated)

Resolved That:

1. ***Councillor Skinner attends the District & Parish Liaison Group meeting on Wednesday 17 November 2010***
2. ***attendance at the County Council Parish & Town Council Liaison meeting be agreed at a later date***
3. ***the Budget Cut – Effects upon Clay Cross document submitted by Councillor Skinner is supported on the following grounds:***
 - a) ***that singularly one area of cuts would cause poverty and hardship. Collectively these cuts in a whole range of benefits will be disastrous to low income families already struggling to 'make ends meet'***
 - b) ***that these cuts will do nothing to stimulate the local economy because many people receiving these benefits already work and all it will do is reduce there already poor spending power ultimately causing a knock on effect to other people in work***

- c) ***that the cuts will lead to poorer health through less healthy food being bought and reduced leisure activities for families, especially young children as families and individuals have to cut back to pay priority bills***
- d) ***that many families already suffering debt will be in deeper debt, greater bankruptcies, and more evictions both rented due to reduced housing benefits and owner occupiers relying on tax credits and Council tax benefit reductions***
- e) ***that the Parish Council is concerned about the possible rise in crime through the inevitable increase of debt on individuals and families***

4. the Parish Clerk's Report/Items for Decision and Information is noted

937/10 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved That: the next Parish Council meeting is held Tuesday 26 October 2010 at 7pm in the Parish Council office.