

Minutes of the Clun Town Council with Chapel Lawn Meeting held 8th January 2019 at the Memorial Hall, Clun

Present- Cllrs Jack Limond (Chairman), Linda Hurcombe, Gary Mills, James McVicar, Brian Angell, Ryan Davies and Vic Butt

In attendance was County Cllr Nigel Hartin, the Clerk & RFO Darren Knipe, and 10 members of the public.

Meeting commenced at **19:30**

148. To receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Cllrs Reg Maund and Matt Donaldson

149. Declarations of Interest

- a) To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda. Members are requested to identify the nature of the interest and indicate whether it is personal or prejudicial

None Received

- b) To consider any Dispensation Requests received by the Clerk and not previously considered.

None Received

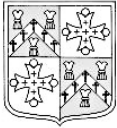
150. Meeting Open to the Public - Time for this session is limited to 10 minutes

4 members of the public each expressed strong objection to the proposed planning application for **18/05596/FUL** - 5 Mount Pleasant, Clun, Shropshire, SY7 8JJ - Erection of extension to front elevation, based on being inconsistent with the style of surrounding property and the visual detriment to surrounding property.

Cllr Hartin said, based on the strong feeling, he would call in the planning committee to look at this in more detail, rather than it be left to just the decision of a planning officer. All agreed

151. Report from County Councillor Nigel Hartin

- a) 21st January there is a Place Plan area meeting at Bishops Castle, which will look at the planning policies for the surrounding area.
- b) Regarding potholes, there is nothing to report on planned repairs. He will chase Andrew Keeland (Highways Surveyer) to get the latest update on this.



- c) Cllr Angell reported that the HGV signage coming in to Clun was still down. Cllr Hartin said he would look into this.

152. To approve the Minutes of Meeting Held on 11th December 2018

It was proposed by Cllr Angell, seconded by Cllr Butt and agreed by all that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th December 2018 were a true and proper record. This was then signed by the Chairman.

153. To consider any Matters Arising from the minutes

- a) **135 a** – Cllr Angell reported that a questionnaire had gone out and he had already received some responses.
- b) **135 b** - The clerk reported that he had received a response from Mr Nicholls, and told work was anticipated to start in the Spring, but unsure how long it should take.

154. To receive reports from Councillors attending meetings and outside organisations

- a) Cllr Butt reported that the planned Community Led Plan meeting had been postponed, but would report back when a new date had been confirmed.

155. To consider sponsorship of an Arts Festival for Clun

Cllr McVicar explained he wanted to change the item to not be about sponsorship, but to consider supporting the idea of an arts festival for Clun.

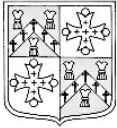
It was recognised that there were many artists of all genres living in the area, both professional and amateur. Sometimes there are events including concerts, drama and exhibitions, which are very well attended.

He felt artists should be asked how council can support them, and suggested a Working Party could be formed, inviting artists to join and explore what form this could take. Council were very supportive of this idea.

Cllr McVicar is to prepare a formal terms of engagement, to form such a working group and present as an agenda item at next meeting.

156. To consider any observations on Planning Matters

- a. **18/05596/FUL** - 5 Mount Pleasant, Clun, Shropshire, SY7 8JJ - Erection of extension to front elevation



**Strong Objection (Majority) –
Planning History**

Other applications have been refused and there has been no change in circumstances

Under Site Considerations

Incompatible with the line of existing buildings

The development does not preserve or enhance the area

Surrounding Area

Dominating nearby buildings

Conflict with the pattern of development

Conflict with the character of the area

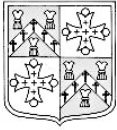
- b. **18/05615/TCA** - 3 Bridge Street, Clun, Craven Arms, Shropshire, SY7 8JP - Fell 1no Wild Cherry within Clun Conservation Area

Support

157. To receive and consider the Report of the Town Clerk

- a) The clerk had been contacted by SALC about a local Clerk network meeting, and awaiting to see if others are interested. The clerk had offered to host one of the meetings in Clun.
- b) The secretary of Chapel Lawn Village Hall had been contacted by Charities Commission, and told they now have to charge for use of space. This will be £12 an evening.
- c) The clerk explained that a recent visit to his elderly mother had highlighted the problem of isolation, and its negative impact on well-being and ability to communicate. The population census shows Clun to have over a third of its population over the age of 65 years. The council has legislative powers to be able to fund activities such as social gatherings and entertainment, and would like council to consider how it might best exercise this power.
- d) It had been agreed at the last meeting that the Annual Parish Meeting should be held on a separate evening to the monthly General Meeting. The clerk asked if council would consider an additional less formal Public Meeting between now and April that could be used as a community drop in, with possible working group presentations and community problem solving discussions.

The clerk was asked to make an agenda item for next meeting to review planning for the AGM and Annual Parish Meeting.



158. To consider and approve any Council Annual Subscriptions

It was proposed by Cllr McVicar and seconded by Cllr Angell to approve the renewal membership of Walkers are Welcome at £40.00. All agreed

159. To review and approve any training

It was proposed by Cllr Limond and seconded by Cllr Angell to approve the clerk going on the CiLCA training session 3 at Shirehall. All agreed.

160. To receive and consider any Grant and Donation requests

None Received

161. Financial Matters

a) To review and approve the Financial Report

Cllr Limond proposed, seconded by Cllr Angell and agreed by all to accept the Schedule of Payments. This was signed by the chairman.

b) To consider and approve a 5 yearly professional asset review

Cllr Angell proposed to approve a 5 yearly professional review of the council assets, especially the Town Hall and toilets. This was seconded by Cllr Davies and agreed by all.

The clerk is to get quotes for carrying this out.

c) To formally approve trustees for the Clun Recreation Trust Fund

Cllr McVicar pointed out that the council as a corporate body is allowed to be a trustee of a charity, and that what was required was to appoint the signatories of the trust.

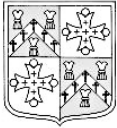
It was agreed that Cllr McVicar and Cllr Hurcombe would act as the appointed signatories.

d) To consider and approve the Tender Application and advert wording for

- i. The Parish Council Public Toilets Cleaning and Maintenance Contract 2019-2020**
- ii. The Parish Council Cemetery Grass Cutting and Maintenance Contract 2019-2020**

It was proposed by Cllr Angell to approve the tender applications subject to adding to the cemetery contract "Dispose of clippings appropriately and legally. To report to the Clerk of the Council any areas or items in need of servicing or repair, particularly relating to Health and Safety matters, as a matter of urgency". This was seconded by Cllr Limond and agreed by all.

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162. To review any Correspondence received

Nothing to report

163. To receive the Mayors Report

- a) Cllr Limond raised the issue of potholes, where reports were coming in of vehicles grounding due to the depth of hole. This is starting to become extremely dangerous as well as expensive to those affected.
- b) Cllr Limond wanted councillors to each consider taking on a "portfolio". Clarification was sought by councillors on what he meant. He suggested that individuals should be able to champion topics that they are interested in, and therefore, more motivated to obtain knowledge, which can then be shared with council. The work Cllr Angell is doing with the WTG was given as an example.

It was agreed that the model Bucknell TC are using should be looked at.

164. Other Items brought to the Council's Attention by Councillors

- a) Cllr Hurcombe raised concern from a resident about how slimy and slippery the Waterloo ford was, and becoming dangerous for horse riders to cross.

The clerk is to report matter to Highways. Cllr Hartin said he would also report the matter.

- b) Cllr Davies asked council if they wished to send a congratulatory message to Joan Kerry for her recently receiving a British Empire Medal. All agreed
- c) Cllr Angell wanted to report on current WTG situation.

Cllr Limond asked council for approval to suspend Standing Order so Glyn Hughes could join them to make a presentation on recent survey done. All agreed

Mr Hughes explained that a survey had been devised and sent to residents who had property either on or had frontage on the main road. 150 surveys were sent out.

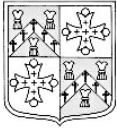
The survey asked how many vehicles did the property have, what hours they were parked, and what issues they had in using the surrounding roads.

One observation noted was how many empty properties lay within the survey area.

Cllr Angell explained that the next stage was, with help, to analyse the data.

At 9.30 Cllr Limond asked to resume Standing Orders and in accordance with Standing Order rules asked council for approval to continue the meeting beyond the designated time of attendance. All agreed

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Cllr Angell presented a map and a document titled "Principles for Resurfacing Work 2019", which had been produced by the WTG to show where the recent traffic survey had identified issues, and possible solutions, including 'bell' and 'canon' bollards.

Cllr Angell asked if council would agree to the proposed recommendations being presented to Highways. This was proposed by Cllr McVicar, seconded by Cllr Davies and agreed by all.

On behalf of council the Chairman thanked Tony Bindloss and Glyn Hughes for all their hard work producing the detailed map and carrying out the survey work.

- d) Cllr Angell presented council with the idea of a competition "What do you like about Clun". All were in favour, and it was agreed to make an agenda item at next meeting.

165. To review and approve meeting dates of council for 2019

The clerk reported that both the Clun Memorial Hall and Chapel Lawn Village hall were available for hire a week earlier in each month.

It was proposed by Cllr Limond that the council meeting dates change to the first Tuesday in the month at Clun Memorial Hall, except June and September, where it be held on the first Wednesday in the month at Chapel Lawn Village Hall. This was seconded by Cllr Angell and agreed by all.

166. To receive and consider Agenda items for the next meeting

Cllr McVicar asked for approving an Arts Initiative for Clun.
Cllr Angell asked for approving a Clun Competition

167. Date of Next Meeting

To be held on Tuesday **5th February 2019** at **Clun Memorial Hall**

Meeting Closed at 21.45

APPROVED AS BEING A CORRECT RECORD BY

CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE: _____

Dated: 8th January 2019