

CLIPSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 4th November 2015. **CLIPSTON VILLAGE HALL, 7.30pm**

Minutes taken by Felicity Ryan, Clerk/RFO.

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Present : Councillors. R Burnham (Chairman), A Fellowes, P Booker, J Wills.

Attendees : Paul Bimson (BT). Two members of the public were present.

1. Apologies : - T Price, M Ward, H Weston, C Kemsley-Pein, District Councillor and County Councillor Cecile Irving-Swift.

2. Declarations of Interests : - None declared.

3. Comments from the public : -

Paul Bimson from BT –

- BT are contracted by the County Council to bring superfast broadband to 95% of Northamptonshire by the end of 2017
 - Clipston is excluded from the rollout of fibre broadband via BT's contract(s) with the County Council
 - The reason Clipston is currently excluded is because there is another private sector infrastructure provider who has expressed an interest to provide superfast broadband. This is because the County Council are not able to use public funding in an area where a private sector infrastructure provider has confirmed an intent to invest.
 - BT's solution would be to install fibre to the cabinet (FTTC) where speeds could reach up to 80Mbps via current technology.
 - Copper would still run from the property to the cabinet, but in their opinion and via new developments in technology currently going through customer trials, not a great deal of difference in speed would be gained as opposed to running fibre direct to the property.
 - Another village, Ashley had raised the gap in funding need at approximately £200 per property as they had not been eligible for the NCC/BT scheme. This would be an option for Clipston.
 - If the other provider didn't get the required percentage sign-up needed then the County Council may wish to consider Clipston for inclusion within their Intervention Area for public funding.
- **ACTION** : Clerk to contact Cecile Irving-Swift and Chris Heaton Harris MP about the issue.

A member of the public asked if improved signage could be considered for Kelmarsh Road as the numbering at 15 and 15A was leading to confusion for emergency services and deliveries.

ACTION : Clerk to contact Cecile Irving-Swift to arrange a meeting with Councillor Burnham to discuss this.

Another member of the public asked if the Council had received a letter stating that two fields on the Kelmarsh Road had been gifted to the Woodland Trust as a way of preserving them for the community. **ACTION** : Councillor Burnham confirmed this had been received. The Clerk to place this on the Agenda for the next meeting and to contact The Woodland Trust to discuss this.

4. Updates from District and County Councillors :- None received.

5. Previous Minutes :- It was proposed and seconded the minutes of the meeting held on the 7th October 2015 be approved and signed.

6. Matters Arising :- Naming of the road on the Naseby Road development :-

Correspondence had been received from DDC asking for the Parish Council's comments regarding the naming of the new development. **RESOLVED** : To suggest Wartnaby's Orchard for the road name due to the history of the development provided by a resident.

An e mail had been received regarding the re-seeding of the verges following the work carried out by Western Power. **RESOLVED** :To monitor in the Spring and any patches to be reported back to them for further attention.

7. Finance :-

Finance – to include - a) invoices to pay. It was proposed and seconded that the following payments be made :-

Clipston Courier Donation	£300
Clerk Salary Aug/Sep/Oct	£478.92
Royal British Legion Wreath	£17.00
Clerks Expenses	£71.52
HMRC	£0.11

ACTION : Clerk to transfer £867.55 from High Interest account to current account.

8. Planning Applications :- DA/2015/0979 - Formation of access to approved new dwelling (PD/2015/0036) Building Off Pegs Lane, Clipston, Northamptonshire – No observations to be made.

9. Any other Planning matters :-

DA/2015/0495 – Confirmation of Approval of Land to the rear of 10 The Green for the construction of a dwelling – Noted

Confirmation of Approval of DA/2015/0767 – Farm Buildings to the rear of 1 Kelmarsh Road – Noted

Confirmation of Approval for DA/2015/0710 – Confirmation of Approval for removal of existing conservatory and construction of single storey rear garden room at Derwent, Kelmarsh Road – Noted

- Discussion regarding development of a Neighbourhood Plan –**ACTION** : to be discussed at the December meeting.

10. Village Maintenance :- Kelmarsh Road (just out of the village) – Highway monitoring

Harborough Road – (corner of Sibbertoft Road) - Highway monitoring

Sibbertoft/Marston Trussell Crossroads – Highway monitoring

Willow Tree at 1 Marecroft – Clerk has contacted owner regarding the tree.

Overgrown hedgerow leading out of the village towards Market Harborough – To be

completed by NCC

Kelmarsh Road - overgrown hedgerow – Completed.

Weskers Close – footpath condition to be completed by NCC

Pot Hole outside 28 Harborough Road – **ACTION** : Clerk to report

Pot Hole on A508 junction –**ACTION** : Clerk to report

11. Consultations:- None

12. Correspondence –

- NCALC Training – Code of Conduct in Practice 30/11/15
- New dog fouling powers
- Bus Stop at the Green – update to be chased by NCC
- CIL Guidance
- Mowing Grant Paperwork – **ACTION** : To be completed by the Clerk and sent to NCC.

13. AOB

- Clarify amount which was reported as being received for Village from the Shambala Festival £1900 or £1600? **ACTION** : Clerk to e mail Cecile Irving-Swift
- Christmas Tree Festival sponsor has been sought
- Councillor Wills to lay the wreath on behalf of the Parish Council for Remembrance Sunday
- Marecroft is now tenanted.
- Wind farm Community Fund on Agenda for next meeting to keep village informed.

Meeting Closed 8.20pm

Date of next meeting : - 2nd December 2015, 7.30pm Clipston Village Hall