

CLAY CROSS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Clay Cross Parish Council meeting held in the Clay Cross Parish Council office on Tuesday 27 September 2011 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillor G Morley Chair
Councillor M Holmes Vice Chair

Councillor A Jackson	Councillor P Riggott
Councillor E Mansbridge	Councillor F Rodgers
Councillor Mrs T Reader	Councillor D Skinner
Councillor A Reader	Councillor B Wright

Also Present: PCSO Andrew Cocking, Clay Cross Police
PCSO Stephen Sweet, Clay Cross Police
Hayley Bramley, North East Derbyshire District Council
Dawn Kershaw, Parish Clerk

Public Participation

Hayley introduced herself and gave a resume of her role as the District Council Village Games Co-ordinator. Hayley reported that she has been in post 10 weeks now and that the project has been funded until 2013 by the National Lottery and Sport England. Hayley stated that she was looking to liaise and work with agencies across the District to come up with new, exciting and innovative physical activity based sessions for people within our communities – activity ideas from the Parish Council would be welcome.

At this point Hayley was thanked for her attendance and left the meeting.

Police Matters

Councillor Morley, Chair raised concerns regarding an incident at the Olde English public house which occurred whilst the Landlord was away on holiday. PCSO Sweet confirmed that he was one of the officers involved with the incident but he was not prepared to give any details or comments as this is now an active investigation involving District Council Licensing.

PCSO Sweet went through the crime figures for the period since the 1 August 2011. The offences were:

- 75 reported anti social behaviour incident but it was noted that many of the incidents reported are by more than one caller and so increases number of calls
- 29 incidents of suspicious activity but it was noted these include suspicious vehicles and persons
- 51 incidents of concern for safety but it was noted that many of the incidents reported related to elderly or sick members of the community and were often called in by ambulance or carer services

- 29 domestic related incidents but it was noted that arrests were made relating to several incidents that reflects in the crime figures. Other individuals were removed from the address to prevent breach of peace as per force guidelines

There has been an increase in anti-social behaviour related incidents so far this month based on previous month and year figures. There are several factors that explain this. Police have received numerous reports surrounding Tesco from staff and local residents and as part of ongoing priority hotspot patrols, residents are openly encouraged to report incidents relating to the issues of that area. Police attended a recent meeting with Natascha Engel MP, members of the Parish Council and Tesco in order to resolve some problems which have been occurring. The meeting went well and several solutions were discussed.

It appears that the anti-social behaviour reported often involves groups of youths causing nuisance for residents and in some cases alcohol is a factor. Police have been very pro-active in their approach to combat this problem. There are several young individuals who will be attending court following their drinking antics and being caught in possession of alcohol.

It was further reported that the current priority areas are:

Underage drinking and anti-social behaviour on Sharley Park:

Police have started issuing alcohol nuisance letters to under 18s who are found in a public place with alcohol. If they are found three times with alcohol in a public place then they are summoned for court. Police have already summoned several for the above offence and there are several more who have received one or two letters already. Police will continue to patrol the area and seize alcohol, stop search individuals and deal with any offenders positively.

Anti-social behaviour on The Square, Danesmoor: this is a new priority which the Police have been working with residents from The Square and the local Neighbourhood Watch. Several main offenders have been identified and appropriate action will be taken by working with housing and the anti-social behaviour Co-ordinator. The Clay Cross Safer Neighbourhood Team have had a productive couple of months by carrying out a lot of pro-active and positive work. Three prolific offenders in the area have been arrested for serious offences and all three have been remanded in prison. Two further prolific offenders have recently been arrested for theft and both have been bailed pending further investigation.

PCSO Cocking and PCSO Sweet reported that the Police are still working at submitted a final application for an alcohol 'exclusion zone' in Clay Cross. This prompted much debate but PCSO Sweet stated that he would ensure that the Parish Council had an input on the final application before submission to District Council Licensing.

At this point PCSO Cocking and PCSO Sweet were thanked for their attendance and left the meeting.

Parish Clerk reported receipt of the 2011 Local Policing Review from Derbyshire Police Authority.

County Councillor/District Councillor Attendance

Councillor Riggott reported that County Council Highways have now commenced work to re-surface the A61/High Street. This work will take approximately two weeks to complete and will be carried out through the night to minimise disruption – the road will be closed from 19.00 hours to 23.00 hours, Monday to Friday and an alternative route has been agreed. Broadleys, Clay Cross will be the next road to be re-surfaced from 10 October 2011 for approximately four days.

Councillor Riggott further reported on initial proposed changes to the Clay Cross boundary in readiness of the County Council elections in 2014.

With regard to the District Council. Councillor Riggott reported that the District Council are looking to cut CCTV funding across the District. It was further reported that the Bolsover and North East Derbyshire District Council Strategic Alliance have appointed the following Joint Directors:

- Joint Chief Executive, Wes Lumley
- Corporate Resources, Bryan Mason
- Health and Wellbeing, Paul Hackett
- Development, Kevin Hopkinson
- Neighbourhoods, Stuart Tomlinson

PART I – PUBLIC BUSINESS

1067/11 Apologies for Absence

Parish Clerk reported that Apologies for Absence had been received from Councillor K G Savidge and the Administrative Assistant, Shelagh Shaw.

1068/11 Declaration of Interest

Councillor Mrs Reader 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.

1069/11 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.**

1070/11 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 26 July 2011 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair.***

Work In Progress

Parish Clerk reported that there was no Work In Progress.

1071/11 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

Councillor Mansbridge reported his attendance at the Clay Cross Community Partnership meeting held on Wednesday 7 September 2011:

- Derbyshire County Council representative were in attendance to discuss the proposed winter maintenance programme – Councillor Mansbridge spoke up saying that Clay Cross Parish needs a fair rub of the green this years after the total lack of gritting last year
- North East Derbyshire District Council representatives were in attendance to discuss the road closure application – this was criticised by members of the Rotary Club present as being too little too late and why they were not informed of this when arranging the parade for Clay Cross Gala this July
- Rykneld Homes representatives were in attendance to discuss changes to the Community Alarm service and the installation of Lifeline Connect Units

1072/11 Planning and Environmental Matters

To receive the Minutes of the Planning Working Group meeting held on the 14 September 2011 and to receive recommendations for resolution.

Resolved That:

- 1. Graham Wright carries out work to supply and install two new gates at the Valley Road allotment site at a cost of £500 plus vat***
- 2. the Minutes of the Planning Working Group meeting held on the 14 September 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair.***

Work In Progress

Parish Clerk reported that there was no Work In Progress.

1073/11 Street Scene Matters

To receive the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held on the 6 September 2011 and to receive recommendations for resolution.

Resolved That:

- 1. the members of the Street Scene Working Group, the Parish Clerk and the Administrative Assistant be given delegated authority to purchase grit bins for the Parish and grit within the agreed budget of £1,100**
- 2. John Minney Building & Alterations carries out the necessary work to demolish the Market Street public toilet block at a cost £5,800 plus vat**
- 3. the Minutes of the Street Scene Working Group meeting held 6 September 2011 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair**

Work In Progress

Further to minute no **134/04** regarding the proposed multi-use games area at North Street, Holmgate. Parish Clerk reported that Holmgate Tenant & Resident Group have not been successful in their application for Big Lottery Funding and further reported receipt of letter from BRM Solicitors requesting how to proceed with this matter. **It was agreed that the Parish Clerk write and inform BRM Solicitors to proceed no further in this matter and to send their invoice for the work carried out to date.**

Further to minute no **1049/11** regarding the use of the Bevan Road play area site for a fun day on Saturday 3 September 2011. Parish Clerk reported letter received from Bevan Wilson Brockway Neighbourhood Watch thanking the Parish Council for the use of the land for this event and the £100 donation - this letter also requests the use of the land for future events. **It was agreed that the Parish Clerk write and inform the Watch that the Parish Council are not in a position to allow the 'block booking' of this area, the Watch Co-ordinator will have to write in every time with a request to use the site giving the date and details of the event.**

Further to minute no **1049/11** regarding the Clay Cross town centre car parking petition. Parish Clerk reported that this matter was discussed at a meeting of the North East Derbyshire District Council Cabinet on the 21 September 2011 and their Estates & Valuation Manager will advise the Parish Council of their decision.

1074/11 Cemetery Matters

To receive the Minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting held on the 5 September 2011 and to receive recommendations for resolution.

Resolved That: the Minutes of the Cemetery Working Group

meeting held on the 5 September 2011 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair.

Work In Progress

Parish Clerk reported that there was no Work In Progress.

1075/11 Social Centre Matters

To receive the minutes of the Social Centre & Events Working Group meeting held 5 September 2011 and to receive recommendations for resolution. **Resolved That:**

- 1. 25 upholstered chairs are purchased for the Social Centre from ChairsGB.Com at a cost of £636.25 plus vat**
- 2. the Minutes of the Social Centre Working Group meeting held 5 September 2011 be approved and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair**

Work In Progress

Parish Clerk reported that there was no Work In Progress.

1076/11 Finance Matters

To receive the report and recommendations for resolution from the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held on the 21 September 2011. **Resolved That:**

- 1. the monthly statement for July 2011 and August 2011 be accepted and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair**
- 2. the expenditure and income against budget report for the months of July 2011 and August 2011 be accepted and signed by Councillor Morley, Chair**
- 3. the Parish Clerk attends the Society of Local Council Clerks Derbyshire Branch Annual General Meeting at Whaley Bridge on Friday 30 September 2011 at a cost of £5 plus expenses**
- 4. £2,000 is invested in the Chesterfield & North East Derbyshire Credit Union**
- 5. the Parish Clerk represent the Parish Council on the Clay Cross Air Cadet Squadron Civilian Committee**
- 6. the following donations to local organisations for the fiscal year 2011/2012 are approved and that the annual Presentation Evening is held on Friday 18 November 2011 at Clay Cross Social Centre with entertainment and food provided:**

	£
<i>Clay Cross Air Cadets</i>	500.00
<i>NEDDC Chairs Appeal</i>	300.00
<i>Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Centre</i>	250.00
<i>Clay Cross & District Handi-Cap Club</i>	200.00
<i>Holmgate Friendly Club</i>	200.00
<i>Sharley Park Crown Green Bowling Club</i>	200.00
<i>Clay Cross Cricket Club</i>	150.00
<i>East Midland Jui-Jitsu Association</i>	150.00
<i>Parkhouse Football Club</i>	150.00
<i>Autumn Days Keep Fit/Social Club</i>	100.00
<i>Holmgate Tenant & Resident Group</i>	100.00
<i>The Coalboard NHW Action Group</i>	100.00
<i>Lower Clay Lane Neighbourhood Watch</i>	100.00
<i>Danesmoor & Clay Cross Tenants & Residents Association</i>	100.00
<i>Holmgate Community Association</i>	100.00
<i>Holmgate & Clay Cross Tai Chi Group</i>	100.00
<i>Clay Cross Darby & Joan Club</i>	100.00
<i>Danesmoor Darby & Joan Club</i>	100.00
<i>Holmgate Darby & Joan Club</i>	100.00
<i>Golden Days Social Club</i>	100.00
<i>St John Ambulance Parkhouse Division</i>	100.00
<i>Church On The Bus</i>	50.00
<i>The Woodthorpe Inn Skittles Team</i>	50.00
<i>Clay Cross Pre-School Playgroup</i>	50.00
<i>St Barnabas Pre-School</i>	50.00
<i>Clay Cross Model Railway Society</i>	50.00
<i>Dicky Tickers Heart Support Group</i>	50.00
<i>Egstow Veterans Bowling Club</i>	50.00

7. the under mentioned payment be authorised:

<i>NEDDC (Parish Council Maintenance Payment for 2011/12)</i>	£31,315.22
<i>NEDDC (Maintenance and Management of Cemetery for April 2011 to June 2011)</i>	£9,578.51
<i>NEDDC (Parish Street Cleaning for April to June 2011)</i>	£6,601.40
<i>Parish Council Staff Wages (Tax Month 6)</i>	£3,198.09
<i>Plantscape (to supply and maintain Parish flower baskets and planters)</i>	£9,736.70
<i>Audit Commission (2010/11 Audit Fee)</i>	£1,050.00
<i>TV Licence Refunds (27 @ £25)</i>	£675.00
<i>SWALEC (Electricity for Social Centre and Cemetery)</i>	£722.84
<i>Post Office Ltd (Inland Revenue NI and Tax Payment for August)</i>	£319.72
<i>DCC Superannuation (Pension Contributions for August)</i>	£389.09
<i>NEDDC (Social Centre Rates for September)</i>	£932.00
<i>NEDDC (Cemetery Rates & Premises for September)</i>	£234.00
<i>NEDDC (Market Street Public Toilets Rates</i>	

<i>For September)</i>	£173.00
<i>Konica Minolta (Rent for Parish Council office copier and cost of copies)</i>	£363.34
<i>Booker Cash & Carry (Lunch Club and Social Centre refreshment supplies)</i>	£355.31
<i>Nisbets (Catering equipment for Social Centre)</i>	£297.87
<i>Chubb Fire (cost to service Social Centre extinguishers/fire blankets)</i>	£276.19
<i>Croft Farm Meats (Lunch Club supplies)</i>	£132.56
<i>P Stringfellow (Dance's for September)</i>	£175.00
<i>Social Centre Damage Bond Refunds (2 @ £50)</i>	£100.00
<i>Npower (Gas for Social Centre)</i>	£137.18
<i>Designs Direct (cleaning materials for Social Centre)</i>	£257.40
<i>Post Office Ltd (Stamps and postage)</i>	£189.09
<i>NEDDC (Uncontested Election fee)</i>	£197.12
<i>OSI Ltd (Stationery)</i>	£35.69
<i>Strawberry Basket (Lunch Club supplies)</i>	£41.18
<i>Mr Jeeves (Social Centre Laundry)</i>	£19.50
<i>Co-op Bank (Charges)</i>	£1.00
TOTAL:	£67,504.00

8. the following income is noted:

<i>NEDDC (2nd Precept Payment)</i>	£108,500.00
<i>Clay Cross Social Centre Hire (inc bar takings)</i>	£652.79
<i>Cemetery Lodge Rent</i>	£140.00
<i>Bingo 31.8.11, 7.9.11, 14.9.11</i>	£135.65
<i>Dance 1.9.11, 8.9.11, 15.9.11</i>	£222.50
<i>Lunch Club 6.9.11, 13.9.11</i>	£324.80
<i>Market Rent 6.8.11, 13.8.11, 20.8.11, 27.8.11</i>	£95.00
<i>Sale of Refreshments 6.9.11, 13.9.11, 17.9.11</i>	£24.50
<i>MTM Halloween Market Stalls 29.10.11</i>	£15.00
<i>Co-op Bank (Interest)</i>	£0.20
TOTAL:	£110,110.14

Work In Progress

Further to minute **1009/11** regarding the Creative Kids Design a Christmas Light Competition. **Resolved That: Blachere Illuminations manufacture the eight winning Creative Kids designs at a cost £4,961.53 plus vat.**

1077/11 Parish Clerk's Report/Items for Decision and Information

- 1. North East Derbyshire District Council:** invitation to attend District & Parish Liaison Group meeting on Wednesday 30 November 2011 at Council House, Saltergate

2. **North East Derbyshire District Council:** Draft Sex Establishment Policy Consultation – views and comments to be submitted by Friday 25 November 2011
3. **North East Derbyshire District Council:** Draft Taxi Policy Consultation – view and comments to be submitted by Friday 9 December 2011
4. **Derbyshire County Council:** Derbyshire Local Transport Plan 2011 to 2026

Resolved That: the Parish Clerk's Report/Items for Decision and Information are noted

1078/11 Date of Next Meeting

Resolved That: the next Parish Council meeting is held Tuesday 25 October 2011 at 7pm in the Parish Council office.