

**NOTES OF THE CLOWNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2016 IN THE MEETING ROOM, THE CENTRE, VILLA PARK, CLOWNE COMMENCING 6.45PM**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Reid, Chair. Cllrs Bailey, Buxton, Connerton, Dobson, Page, T Patterson, Oxspring, Smith & Stanton

**APOLOGIES:** Cllrs E Burgess & A Patterson

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 26 members of the public, PC Appleby, Derbyshire Constabulary; Cllr A. Western, DCC, B. Young, Clerk to C. & B. J. B.C and D. Cameron (Clerk)

**POLICE REPORT**

The Chairman welcomed PC Dan Appleby to the meeting to the Parish Council meeting. Pc Appleby explained that there would no longer be a Crime Figure Report given at the Parish Council meeting. Although police representatives would give insight into increase/decrease in local activity.

The following concerns /comments were raised by parishioners:

- Clowne Police Panel meeting – this would (hopefully) continue but due to current limited police resources he could not specify future dates
- Emergency calls – 999  
Non – emergency – 101  
All calls would be answered and actioned as soon as possible  
CAN Rangers work in partnership with local police officers and are available to assist.
- Parking concerns re: access/obstruction. The police would address individual complaints for legal/safety reason.
- Local police volunteers. PC Appleby explained details of the scheme, with local people helping the police with leafleting, crime prevention etc.etc. If interested, information is available on the Derbyshire Police website.

**COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT**

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Western to the meeting. Cllr Western explained that parking problems were an issue throughout the County. She added that publicity materials were available to be used i.e. advisory notices etc. It was hoped that problem areas identified could be targeted with the advisory notices.

Cllr Western reported on the ongoing ‘clean up’ of the Greenway route along the Linear Park. Groundwork Creswell & volunteers continued with regular clean-up days including litter-picking and minor environmental maintenance. She added that the planning and preparation to implement the removal the old railway bridge on Barton St/Mitchell Street was progressing. Low level access for pedestrians would be available in the near future.

A Member of the Clowne Local History Group asked that they be made aware of the date for removal of the bridge to enable a 'photographic' diary to be produced of the event.

A parishioner expressed concerns regarding the state of the highway @ Stanfree and surrounding areas. Cllr Western explained this was due to on-going drainage works.

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

253/15 It was confirmed that the Declaration of Interest Book had been signed.

#### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

254/15 Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Cllr E Burgess and Cllr A Patterson.

#### **MINUTES – 04/01/16**

255/15 Resolved that the Minutes of the Clowne Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016 be approved and adopted and signed as a true record.

#### **PRESENTATION FROM CHRIS BROUGHTON, CBA RE: HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY FOR CLOWNE**

The Chair welcomed Chris Broughton to the Parish Council and invited him to give his report.

The Parish Council had appointed independent consultants Chris Broughton Associates (CBA) to undertake a Household Survey and produce a report on the findings. The survey seeks to understand residents' views about living in Clowne and the extent to which existing housing and supporting services are meeting the local needs. This information would give a wider understanding of what Clowne housing needs are over the next 5, 10 & 15 years and it would form part of the evidence required should the Parish Council commission a further Neighbourhood Development Plan and the District of Bolsover Local Plan.

CBA has been involved in 100's of household surveys commissioned by local authorities, parish and town councils over the last 15 years. Prize draws are frequently used as an incentive to encourage the participation of residents and CBA recommend this as it makes a significant difference to the response rate compared to surveys that offer no such incentive. The Parish Council noted the recommendations.

The questionnaire had a return date: 15<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

#### **CHAIRS REPORT AND ACTION FROM THE PUBLIC FORUM**

256/15 The Chairman reported on various items of business relating to BDC, DCC and the police which had been discussed and would be forwarded onto the relevant Departments.

257/15 Minute236/15 From DCC: Wildlife & Countryside Act 2982 – Claim to add a Bridleway along non classified highways known as Border Lane & Oxcroft Lane – Parishes of Clowne & Elmton. Resolved that a letter of support from Parish Council be forwarded regarding the Claim for Bridleway.

258/15 The Clerk presented the Statement of Fact from Clowne & Barlborough Burial Committee regarding the removal of memorial trees @ the Barlborough Road Burial Ground. The statement was signed by Cllr Watson (Chair) and Cllr Bailey (Vice Chair) and Members agreed to display on local Parish Noticeboards and on the Parish Council website. (Copy attached).

### **CORRESPONDENCE / ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

259/15 Read & Noted. Information from DALC: General Circulars 02/16 + comments from HM Treasury.

260/15 The Clerk circulated information and an invitation to Members from MARCOL to attend an event to view the latest proposals for the regeneration of the former Coalite Works site in Bolsover, NE Derbyshire – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2016 2pm-4pm (Information circulated). Noted.

261/15 A letter of thanks had been received from Cardiac Risk in Young People (CRY) following recent donation from Clowne Parish Council (Minute 143/15)

262/15 Noted. Notice from BDC: Draft Notes of Parish Council Liaison meeting held 11/1/16

263/15 Noted. Circulation from Chesterfield BC: Land Availability Assessment Strategic Planning Key sites.

264/15 Invitation to attend the BDC Civic Service on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2016 @ Holy Trinity Church, Shirebrook @ 3.00pm. Resolved that Cllrs Page and Stanton be nominated on to attend the Civic Sunday and represent Clowne Parish Council.

265/15 Several letters and numerous individual Freedom of Information Requests had been received from parishioners regarding the recent felling of trees @ Clowne Cemetery. It was noted that a Freedom of Information request can only be requested of a Public Authority and not an individual member and therefore the request is invalid. The motion to remove the Memorial Trees was taken by Clowne & Barlborough Joint Burial Committee in 2015. The Resolution of the Committee in 2015 was All in Favour. The majority ruled in favour and the vote is a corporate decision. By law, no Councillor has to disclose the way in which he/she voted and it was not requested as a Recorded Vote.

266/15 Noted. Correspondence concerning the comments on social media regarding the removal of the memorial trees at Clowne Cemetery . See Minute 265/15

267/15 A letter of thanks and appreciation regarding the removal of memorial trees at the Clowne Cemetery. The content of the correspondence confirmed that neighbouring properties had been involved in consultation with CBJBC, tree surgeon, police & others had witnessed the damage to their property. He extended his apologies for any distress caused to family members.

268/15 A request had been received from Clowne & Barlborough Walking Group for any donation towards the ongoing running costs of this small community group. It was resolved that a £30 grant be made.

Proposed JS Seconded TP  
All in Favour

269/15 Noted. Apologies from Cllr E Burgess.

270/15 A Freedom of Information request had been received regarding: Decision process & cost of Household Survey for Clowne . It was resolved that the FOI be acknowledged and that all information is readily available. (See Minute 170/15)

271/15 A Freedom of Information request had been received regarding the Closure of the Parish Twitter page. It was resolved that an acknowledgement be forwarded and it was noted that Twitter was suspended due to lack of staff resource. (The Communication & Administration Assistant left employment in November 2015 – Minute 221/15).

## **PLANNING**

*Cllr Connerton & Smith declared an interest and took no part of the discussion and left the room.*

272/15 APPLICATION 15/00642/FUL Proposed two front dormer windows and rear full width sloping roof dormer plus a rear single storey lean to extension @ Ashurst, Mansfield Road, Clowne for M & Mrs. Dickinson. NO COMMENTS.

273/15 APPLICATION 16/00024/FUL Erection of two storey detached dwelling – resubmission of 15/00293/FUL @ 45 Mitchel Street, Clowne for Mrs. C Henshaw Members expressed their concerns regarding the increase in traffic volume and movement on a narrow road. Recommend adequate off road car parking provision.

274/15 APPLICATION 16/00020/FUL Single side extension @ 23 Croft View, Clowne for Mrs. & Mrs. Bond. NO COMMENTS.

## **PRECEPT**

275/15 It was resolved that Clowne Parish Council set the Parish Precept at £299,750 (two hundred and ninety nine thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds only. This sum is to be distributed in the overall administration costs of the Council.

The Parish Council is committed to encourage parishioner participation and involvement in community events throughout the year.

The Council will look to increase support to the maintenance of the joint Burial Ground with proposals for additional parking area and additional section for internments.

Adequate partnership funding is required to enable the Parish Council to engage in a joint project to upgrade and provide additional play and leisure facilities at the Villa Park area.

Due to new and defined Government Legislation there is to be substantial investment in employees Right to Pension and the government statutory increase to staff costs.

Proposed TC Seconded MS  
ALL IN FAVOUR

#### FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

276/15 Resolved that the following out of meeting cheques are endorsed and approved for signature by Cllrs Buxton and Connerton.

PAYEE	CHEQ NO	DATE	AMOUNT
Clowne PC (1/4)	107575	11/01/16	235.63
Magna Plant & Tool Hire	107576	"	111.92
IDT Ltd	107577	"	246.00
EDF Energy	107578	"	405.00
P&D Specialist Services	107579	"	11500.45
BDC Street Sports	107580	"	750.00
Carlsberg UK Ltd	107581	"	3263.78
Bebida Ltd	107582	"	238.36
Spire Marketing Ltd	107583	"	135.24
Kudos Office Supplies	107584	"	33.58
Pheasantry Brewery	107585	"	154.80
TWNewsome (stocktaker)	107586	"	90.00
IDT Ltd	107587	"	163.20
Aljacks DES Ltd	107588	"	40.54
Pipers Crisps	107589	"	40.32
Booker Ltd	107590	"	162.83
Libra Drinks Ltd	107591	"	109.05
Konica Minolta Ltd	107592	"	161.50
Carlsberg UK Ltd	107593	"	110.01
Heritage High School	107594	18/01/16	500.00
Chubb Fire & Security Ltd	107595	"	997.43
Chris Broughton Assoc	107596	"	905.00
Churchend Brewery	107597	"	181.28
Direkt Doors	107598	"	125.00
Welbeck Abbey Brewery	107599	"	147.45
Dukeries Brewery	107600	"	166.80
Staff Salaries	BACS	27/01/16	9838.31
AEGON	BACS	"	269.82
Aljacks DES Ltd	107601	01/02/16	46.40
Libra Drinks	107602	"	117.05
Carlsberg UK Ltd	107603	"	1179.07
IDT Ltd	107604	"	509.83
Inland Revenue	107605	"	2995.95
Navigation Brewery	107606	"	168.05
Carlsberg UK Ltd	107607	"	1364.59
Brian Freeman	107608	"	85.00

PAYEE	CHEQ NO	DATE	AMOUNT
Konica Minolta Ltd	107609	"	157.97
Chris Broughton Associates	107610	"	1623.77
Timothy Taylor & Co	107611	"	216.98
G Wheatley & Son	107612	"	2500.00
Fair Deal (CHampson)	107613	"	139.16
EDF Energy	107614	"	405.00

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

277/15 Resolved to receipt the following items for information for Members:

- a. From CVP : CVP E Newsletter January 2016
- b. From BDC: Stay Connected – January & February 2016

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

278/15 Resolved that the next meeting of the Clowne Parish Council will be held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016 in the Meeting Room, The Centre, Villa Park, Clowne commencing 6.45pm (Parish Forum 6.30pm).

**DATE AND TIME OF ANNUAL MEETING OF CLOWNE PARISH COUNCIL**

279/15 Resolved that the Annual Meeting of the Clowne Parish Council be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2016 in the Meeting Room, The Centre Villa Park, Clowne commencing 7.00pm.

..... Chairman

..... Date