

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER
ON MONDAY,
1st July 2024 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

Councillors: P Balbirnie, M Balbirnie, D Botterell, L Gray, J S Daye, D Steele, D Hull, C Amor, J Jeffries, A Mitchell, J Taylor, G Duffett

District Councillor:

Essex County Councillor: Dan Land

12 members of the public were in attendance.

07/2024 – 01 | Welcome

Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

07/2024 – 02 | Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bray

07/2024 – 03 | Declarations of Interest

To declare the existence and nature of any 'personal' or 'personal and prejudicial' interest relating to the items on the agenda having regard to paragraphs 8 to 12 (inclusive) of the Code of Conduct for Members.

07/2024 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public

MOP asked about Sladbury's Lane / Holland Road closure – the permit lasts until mid-August. MOP asked about speeding along Harwich Road / other areas were mentioned throughout the course of a long discussion. County Councillor Dan Land took away two actions, to contact Essex Police and ECC and update next month.

07/2024 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 3rd June 2024

Resolved: The minutes be accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Botterell seconded Cllr M Balbirnie- all in favour.

07/2024 – 06 | Clerk's Report / Correspondence

The clerk gave a verbal update on local matters including lighting, roadworks and other matters of interest.

- bins
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- defib use

07/2024 – 07 | Chairman's Report

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The Chairman gave an update on the following matters concerning the village:
Kids are reportedly getting onto the roofs of the buildings and we are looking at measures to stop this happening.
Bollards have been ordered for Millenium Green.
Solar is installed and has been expertly managed by Chris, thanks to him. The amount of energy being generated is clearly visible through an app.

07/2024 – 08 | Crime and Prevention

Cllr Hull gave an update from data/local intelligence and our Special Constable Tony Rowntree, to whom we give thanks.

A long discussion about speeding took place, in particular Harwich Road.

07/2024 – 09 | Working Party / Committee Reports

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Mitchell reported on the following:

- Village looking good and Christmas is being discussed.

Footpaths

Cllr Jeffries reported that the paths are overgrown. We await the annual cut from ECC.

Streetlights

The Clerk said that lights are being addressed as and when they are brought to our attention.

Planning

To consider the planning applications received from Tendring District Council
Councillor Botterell read out the comments made by the Planning Group on the applications listed below.

APPLICATIONS

24/00905/LUPROP - 23 Holland Road CO16 9RT

Application for Lawful Development Certificate for single storey rear extension.

Recommend Approval

24/00896/FULHH - 132 St Osyth Road West CO16 9NY

Householder Planning Application - Front, Rear and Side extensions to dwelling. Proposed car port and bin/recycling store to the front of dwelling.

Recommend Approval

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Resolved: the month's applications be reported to TDC as per the Planning groups recommendations. Proposed Cllr M Balbirnie, Seconded Cllr Steele – all in favour.

Business Group

Nothing to report

Village Projects

Ideas for Christmas

07/2024 – 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell updated - no meeting.

07/2024– 11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

A number of events have taken place so far this year.

The car boots have started and are popular.

Village Hall

Cllr P Balbirnie noted:

- the hall is going well, thanks to Cllr Jeffries and Mitchell for lighting the beacon on D-day.
- the 100-yard hedge is growing and will need to be cut

Millennium Green

Cllr Taylor noted:

- wild flowers are coming up nicely and have been well received.
- car in the car park appears to have been left now for some time
- dog fouling continues
- the gate has been tied once more

Resolved: Modification of the gate. Proposed Cllr Gray Seconded Cllr Jeffries – 11 For, One against.

07/2024 – 12 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bray sent his apologies.

07/2024 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report

Cllr Land reported on the following points:

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- future foot way works
- public rights of way cuts imminent

07/2024 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

To agree the monthly payments.

Resolved: that the month's cheques be signed. Proposed by Cllr Duffett, Seconded Cllr Hull – all in favour.

Resolved: painting in village, proposed Cllr Botterell, Seconded Cllr Hull – all in favour.

Resolved: obtain past chairman's board Cllr M Balbirnie, Seconded Cllr Gray – all in favour.

Resolved: footpath cut elm road, Proposed Jeffries, Seconded Cllr Amor – all in favour

07/2024 – 15 | Items for future Consideration

Meeting Closed 21:00pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th August at 7.30pm, 2024

Signed Chairman