

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER
ON MONDAY,
2ND SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting

Councillors: M Balbirnie, P Balbirnie, D Botterell, L Gray, D Steele, D Hull, C Amor, J Taylor, G Duffett

District Councillor:

Essex County Councillor: Dan Land

5 members of the public were in attendance.

09/2024 – 01 | Welcome

Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

09/2024 – 02 | Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Steele, JS Daye, Mitchell, Jeffries.

09/2024 – 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.

09/2024 – 04 | Public Forum – Questions from Members of the Public

MOP thanked the hall team for the bins and asked if they would be emptied.

MOP asked about the hedge along The Street. Proposed to lodge a formal complaint to the County Council in writing over safety matters.

09/2024 – 05 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 5th August 2024

Resolved: The minutes be accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Hull, seconded Cllr G Duffett - all in favour.

09/2024 – 06 | Clerk’s Report / Correspondence

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

- cutting by the church
- quotes for ivy to be removed from the island oak tree by church
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09/2024 – 07 | Chairman’s Report

The Chairman gave an update on the following matters concerning the village:

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- contacted Cllr Bray about the fly-tips and that matter is still going through the system via TDC
- report of unstable branches on Galloway Drive and the John Dunnett memorial garden

09/2024 – 08 | Crime and Prevention

Cllr Hull gave an update from data/local intelligence. Crime has increased slightly on the month of June but no more than this time last year.

09/2024 – 09 | Working Party / Committee Reports

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Mitchell reported on the following:

- another round of bulbs planting to take place, thanks to Mr Roper for a further generous donation.

Footpaths

Cllr Gray reported all ok with the footpaths.

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 Taylor read out the monthly plans.

APPLICATIONS

24/01233/LBDISC - Reedlands Cottage Holland Road CO16 9RX
ischarge of conditions application for 24/00200/LBC - Condition 3 (Heritage).
Recommend approval

24/01217/FULHH - 12 Christopher Drive CO16 9RJ
householder Planning Application - Single storey side extension (following removal of existing garage).
Recommend approval

24/01256/FULHH - 6 The Street
Householder Planning Application - Hip to gable roof extension to front and rear roof slope (following removal of existing rear box dormer) and new box dormer to side elevation.
Recommend approval

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

Business Group

Nothing to report

Village Projects

Christmas lights to be erected – string around the John Dunnett Memorial Garden
Cllr Hull mentioned about a Pétanque court – can we look into this moving forward.

Solar Update

Cllr Amor gave a brief update on the project. He has moved forward with the two contracts and we await 'payback'.

09/2024 – 10 | TDALC

Cllr Botterell updated that the last meeting spoke heavily on the pylons project.

09/2024– 11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust

Very busy time with many events taking place over the summer
Lease is moving forward

Village Hall

Cllr P Balbirnie noted:

- the hall is well booked throughout the week
- awaiting S106 monies from TDC for the painting of the park
- issue with damp which is being resolved
- hedge on the perimeter is due to be done soon

Millenium Green

Cllr Taylor noted:

- the wild flower area is due to be fenced
- an incident where a young child was knocked over by a dog

09/2024 – 12 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bray mentioned: Apologies received.

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09/2024 - 13 | Essex County Councillor Report

Cllr Land reported on the following points:

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09/2024 – 14 | Finance and Cheque Authorisation

To agree the monthly payments.

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

09/2024 – 15 | Items for future Consideration

Meeting Closed 20:20pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday 4th November 2024, 7:30pm

Signed Chairman