



WEST CLANDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held 8.00pm Wed 12th October 2016 at the Village Hall

Present: Terence Patrick (Chairman), Chris Dean, Jonathan Murphy, Carol Roberts, Stephen Meredith, Rob MacDonald and John Stone (Clerk)

In attendance: Councillors Keith Taylor and David Reeve, Paul Cook of the National Trust and 2 residents.

1. Apologies for Absence:
Councillors Matthew Sarti and Jenny Wicks were unable to be in attendance.
2. Declaration of Interests.
The Chairman declared that he was an Alderman of Guildford Borough Council and a Governor at Clandon School. Chris Dean declared that he was Chairman of the Clandon Society and his wife was promoting the Clandon Good Neighbour Scheme. Both were also trustees of the Village Hall.
3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the September meeting
These were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
4. Matters arising from those minutes.

The Clerk confirmed he had written to Councillor Keith Taylor setting out the Council's views on speed reduction on the A247. A report from a Surrey County Council Highways officer was going to a task group in November which was looking at all the demands in local the area with subsequent recommendations being made to the Guildford Local Committee.

There was still no response from Lloyds Bank over the request to change signatures on the Village Hall Bank Account. The Parish Council was continuing to meet urgent expenditure.

The Chairman asked the Clerk to contact Tessa Crago about the proposed defibrillator.
(JS)

5. Safe Routes to School

The Chairman reported that he met with Rev Barnaby Perkins and the Chair of School Governors in June. Proposals to put a gate in the fence of the Recreation Ground were agreed in principle but as land access issues had to be resolved it was agreed to await a proposal to the Parish Council from the School.

6. A247 matters

It was noted that the VAS sign up and working and appeared to be having a positive impact.

Surrey Highways was expected to confirm the removal of white lines outside Summers. A second VAS sign outside the Bull had been suggested. The Parish Council agreed to support this in principle.

7. Planning Matters.

Jonathan Murphy outlined the planning applications included in the papers for the meeting including those at Cirrus, Dunelm, Barn End, 2 Parkside Cottages, Clandon Park and Gate Cottage. The Council agreed with the recommendation that no comment be made.

A letter objecting to the installation of Pay and Display machines at Newlands Corner was agreed **(JS)**

8. Footpaths.

Rob MacDonald reported on correspondence with East Clandon Parish Council on footpaths between East and West Clandon. A quote for upgrading the East Clandon section of Green Lane (Footpath 68) was being sought. It was agreed that the Council's contractors should be asked to undertake any necessary clearance work on the West Clandon Stretches of footpaths 82 and 74. **(JS)**

Jonathan Murphy reported that sections of footpath 69 are getting difficult to pass due to an overgrown hedge. Rob MacDonald agreed to investigate. **(RMD)**

9. Recreation Ground and Car Park

Carol Roberts circulated the recent report on the Play Area Inspection. A plan of works will be drawn up in due course. **(CR)**

It was agreed to develop ideas on signage for the use of the car park extension **(JS)**

It was also agreed that parking to the rear of the Legion was at their discretion, topsoil left over from the car park work should be retained and that the Parish Council should pay for the hose pipe which was stolen.

A request for lighting to be installed in the play area was discussed and rejected on the grounds of cost, planning issues, running costs and light pollution.

10. Grant Aided Projects

The Clerk reported that the application for grant support for new chairs in the Village Hall had been submitted but as the budget had been over subscribed we had been asked whether we favoured:

- A global reduction, limiting the maximum grant to £5,000
- A maximum grant level of £15,000 to all parishes

- Up to two schemes in full for each parish, with the remaining amount of grant split pro-rata over the remaining schemes or a
- Voluntary decision to delay a scheme until the following year
Keith Taylor email/Cluster Meeting.

Councillors agreed that the first three options should be supported.

11. Note Council Correspondence sent and received

Councillors noted the correspondence schedule included the papers for the meeting.

Additional items discussed included:

- an offer of consultancy support for highway schemes;
- temporary prohibition of traffic on Lime Grove 17th Oct for 5 days;
- correspondence with Councillor Keith Taylor re West Clandon bids for support from the Eastern Parishes Cluster Fund;
- sewage Spills – after significant efforts by a West Clandon Resident the issue is now being attended to but will need continued monitoring;
- additional emails from a resident reporting an HGV mounting the pavement on the Street;
- a possible request for funding to support repairs to the War Memorial. It was agreed that this would be viewed favourable in a formal request was received. a request for a new Bus Shelter near the station was not supported.

12. Clandon Good Neighbour Scheme

Councillors discussed the scheme which was originated by the Church and supports volunteers providing transport for those needing it. They agreed to provide £500 if suitable arrangements for administering the scheme and funds provided were identified.

(JS)

13. Financial Matters and signing of cheques.

The following cheques had been signed since the September meeting:

Date	Payee	Chq No	Ref	£
	Gavin			
30/09/16	Jones	1871	16.39	243.42
	Tessa			
30/09/16	Crago	1872	16.40	29.29
30/09/16	AoN UK	1873	16.41	2195.62
20/09/16	Precept		16.42	
09/09/16	British Gas	1860	16.43	334.92
09/09/16	WCRBLClub	1861	16.44	394.68

The following cheques were agreed at the meeting:

Date	Payee	Chq No	Ref	£
	Gavin			
05/10/16	Jones	1862	16.45	243.42
05/10/16	BDO	1863	16.46	240
	Play			
	Inspection			
12/10/16	Co	1865	16.47	96

The Clerk reported that the annual external audit report had been received. There were no major issues reported but auditors had noted that the fixed assets might be understated. It was agreed to review the Council's assets before the next audit. **(JS)**

It was agreed to make a contribution of £250 to the West Clandon Branch of the Royal British Legion annual Christmas lunch.

14. Any Other Business.

It was reported that the dangerous tree reported near Lime Grove was on private land. Councillor Keith Taylor reported that the eastern parishes Cluster meeting had awarded £3000 for the improvement of footpaths between East and West Clandon.

15. Date of November meeting
Wednesday 9th November 2016