

WEST CLANDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 13th July 2022 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall

Present:

Parish Councillors: Terence Patrick ("Chairman"/ "TP"), Chris Dean ("CD"), Eric Palmer ("EP"), Steve Meredith ("SM") and Jenny Wicks ("JW") Parish Clerk: Paul Edwards ("Clerk"/"PE"). GBC Councillor: Tim Anderson ("TA") SCC Councillor: Bob Hughes ("BH")

There were no residents in attendance.

22/099 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Ann Dickinson ("AD") and Jonathan Murphy ("JM") and GBC Councillors Chris Barrass ("CB") and Catherine Young ("CY").

22/100 Declarations of interest

The Chairman declared that he was an Honorary Alderman of the Borough of Guildford and member of the Village Hall Management Committee. CD is a member of the Village Hall Management Committee. EP is the Chairman of the East and West Clandon Residents Association (EWCRA). JW is an Honorary Alderman of the Borough of Guildford.

22/101 Confirmation of the Minutes of the meeting held on Jun 8th 2022

The minutes were approved without any amendments.

22/102 Matters arising from the meeting on Jun 8th 2022

The following items from the last meeting we discussed:

- 22/089 Glebe bus shelter EP reported that, following the intra-meetings email agreement to proceed with the lower-cost 'repair and secure' option, he has asked the local contractor to initiate the work and this should be undertaken later in July.
- Whilst on the subject of repairing/replacing broken/dilapidated/unsightly assets, TA mentioned that GBC is being provided with a 'levelling up' grant from central government

and that, if we have any candidate projects, to feed them through asap. The Clerk agreed to collect suggestions from councillors and submit a list shortly.

• 22/090 - 20mph speed limits on The Street – BH noted that he has followed up on this and that a revised policy on such limits for SCC is due later this year, so we should await that.

22/103 Council Correspondence Sent and Received

The following topics relating to items of correspondence were discussed:

- A resident's concern about bike thefts was discussed and it was concluded that this is one for Network Rail and the Transport Police to address. However, the point made about encouraging greater cycling was acknowledged and the Clerk will make further enquiries.
- The Clerk noted the various correspondence on air pollution with residents and with GBC and that GBC may be willing to do 6-12 months of testing if was can find a volunteer resident to have the testing equipment attached to their property.
- With regards to the continuing concerns over parking issues in Meadowlands and the latest suggestion from a resident for resident permit parking to be introduced, TA provided some GBC names for the Clerk to contact.
- The Clerk noted that correspondence had been received (after the meeting papers had been sent out) from the National Highways project manager for the proposed 4-way A3 slip roads at the A247 requesting a meeting with the parish council and also a consultation session with the community. The Clerk agreed to check calendars and set up a meeting.
- JW raised the concern that the bollards by the A3 slip roads had not been cleaned and the Clerk agreed to follow this up with SCC.

22/104 A247/A3 Sliproads Junction SCC Proposals - Discussion

The Chairman opened a discussion on the recent SCC proposal to block right-turn access to the A3 when heading northbound on the A247. JW strongly objected to this citing the high probability of motorists undertaking U-turns on the A247 or accessing Highcotts Lane rather than proceeding all the way to the Burnt Common roundabout. She also felt that the proposal will adversely affect an already-busy roundabout. The meeting was of the view that other options (such as improvements to signage, illuminated and larger bollards and improved road markings) would be preferable. CD suggested that we write to Surrey Highways noting our concerns with the current proposal and requesting a review of alternatives. BH suggested a face-to-face meeting with a Highways Engineer and the Clerk agree to request this.

22/105 Policies and Procedures – Update of Risk Assessment

CD noted that he, AD and the Clerk have been continuing to refine the draft Risk Register and Risk Management Policy documents. The Clerk will ensure that the documents are in a state that they can be issued in advance of the next meeting for approval.

22/106 Planning Matters

As JM could not attend the meeting, the Clerk read out his comments on the latest planning applications and rulings. The meeting agreed with JM's view that none needed action from the Council at this point in time.

The meeting also discussed JM's concern that the new wooden gates at Glengarden, Clandon Road do not comply with planning permissions or our Neighbourhood Plan and asked the Clerk to query this with GBC Planning.

22/107 Financial Matters and Approvals

The Clerk referred to Annex C in the meeting papers relating to the payments made during June totaling £1939.86 and the meeting approved these.

The Clerk advised that the Rialtas Alpha accounting software had now been installed, he had been given initial training and support was now in place. He is keying in the cashbook from the start of the financial year so that we can provide reports to the council from the next meeting.

TP noted that £50 needed to be paid for recent website support and agreed to obtain an invoice. CD raised the concern that no formal maintenance contract was in place with our supplier and that there was a keyman risk. SM acknowledged this though noted that this needs to be balanced against the extra cost of having a regular contractual arrangement and service levels in place. TP agreed to ask MW what would be required to have a more formal arrangement in place.

22/108 Garlick's Arch, Wisley Airfield and other Local Plan updates

CD noted that Wisley have published the outline of the proposed road infrastructure.

22/109 Recreation Ground, Playground and Car Park

EP reported that the outstanding white lining work had now been completed and that the cradle swings should be replaced in the next 2 weeks.

Re the adult gym equipment, EP informed the meeting that our £10k grant application from the National Lottery had been approved in full and the monies already received and thus we could now progress to its purchase. The meeting reiterated its approval of the purchase of the 'BigRig' from FreshAir Fitness for £13,200.74 (incl. VAT) following the general agreement in October 2021 when the scheme was originally discussed. EP added that a further pledge towards the scheme had been provided by iGas, meaning that Parish Council funds would not be required.

22/110 Footpaths

The Clerk reported that footpaths 82 and 83 had been cut by our usual contractor. However, recent inspection of footpath 69 (between the entrance to Lime Grove and Green Lane) was blocked due to a collapsed bramble hedge and will contact SCC and the landowner to address it.

He was also pleased to report that the vegetation encroaching the A247 pavement outside the Forest School land had now been cut back by the Onslow estate management team.

22/111 A247 Matters

TP noted that the manhole cover on the road outside Clandon Regis had now been fixed. All other items relating to this topic have been covered in previous agenda items above.

22/112 AOB

None.

22/113 Date of next meeting

Wednesday, September 14th 2022 at 8pm in the Village Hall.

CLOSING

There being no other business to discuss, the Chairman closed the Parish Council Meeting at 21.55.