

EAST CLAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
Held in East Claydon Village Hall
At 8pm on Thursday 18 April 2019**

Those Present: Councillors Peter Wright (Chair), Gary Baldwin (GB) and Martin Hughes (MH)

Also present: Carole Jackman (Clerk), one member of the public.

Open Forum for Parishioners:

There were no requests to speak.

1. Apologies: Cllrs Martin Paul, Colin Kitchen and Paul Lupton

2. Declarations of Interest:

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 21 March 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21 March 2019 were approved by those present and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Planning

5.1 Applications

19/00983/APP | Ground mounted solar farm, ancillary infrastructure and associated works including the diversion of public rights of way and landscape planting | Tuckey Farm East Claydon Road Winslow Buckinghamshire MK18 3ND

Council had no objection to this application.

5.2 Planning Matters

5.2.1 New Farm Development

A complaint regarding the removal of part of a hedge at the New Farm Development had been forwarded to AVDC. However, the response from the AVDC only referred to the trees with TPOs and not the hedge.

Action: Chair to follow up with AVDC

Chair

6. Playground Maintenance

Cllr GB will inspect the climbing frame and rotor prior to the annual RoSPA inspection.

Action: Cllr GB

Cllr GB

It was noted that some improvements, including painting of equipment, will probably be needed next year.

7. Village Speed Watch

The Speed Watch team had recently carried out two sessions. The first session had recorded one vehicle travelling at 58mph outside the school. The second session recorded 21 vehicles exceeding the speed limit with a top speed of 45 mph.

It was noted that there were two repeat offenders.

Action: Cllr GB to liaise with Speed Watch Coordinator to determine the most appropriate time for Thames Valley Police (TVP) to carry out a traffic check and Cllr GB to then contact TVP.

Cllr GB

Speed Watch coordinator reported that a local parish had spent £2K to get the speed limit reduced. Cllr GB stated that he would prefer to enforce the current limit than have it reduced.

8. Roads / Pathways

8.1 Potholes

A pot hole was noted outside the school. Chair had reported pot holes in Weir Lane.

Action: Cllr GB to check for pot holes and then report to TfB.

Cllr GB

8.2 Triangle / Island East Claydon

It was noted that that Triangle / Island in East Claydon had become overgrown and the road signs were no longer visible. It was noted that any work would have to be deferred until after the nesting season.

Action: Clerk to add to the August agenda Defer any work until after the bird nesting.

Clerk

8.3 Parking at the play area

It still was unclear how to discourage people parking on the grassed area adjacent to the play area.

8.4 Guides / Scouts

It was noted that the Guides and Scouts event at Claydon House would block the public footpath.

9. Grass / Tree / Hedge cutting

Grass Cutting

It was noted that the first grass cut had been carried out on 17 April.

10. Bucks County Council (BCC) / Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC)

Not updates were available.

11. Finance and Accounts

11.1 **Finance Report:** Clerk presented the finance report which was approved by Council. Receipts and payments noted are attached at Appendix 1.

11.2 2018-19 Annual Return and Governance Statement

It was noted that the internal audit would be held on 28 May and that the deadline for submission to the external auditor is 1 July 2019.

11.3 Insurance Renewal

It was agreed to renew the annual insurance with Came & Company.

Action: Clerk to inform Came & Company

Clerk

12. Village Hall redevelopment

12.1 The following were noted:

- Village Hall committee is looking into replacing the chairs.
- Insurance is in place
- Drain completed
- Fire Risk Assessment has been carried out. Cllr GB reported that Churches had invoiced for work that had not been requested and that he is challenging the invoice.

Action: Cllr GB to follow up with Cllr PL: status of Mushroom floor, building valuation, status of constitution.

13. HS2 / East West Rail / Oxford to Cambridge Expressway

13.1 HS2

No updates were available.

13.2 East West Rail

No updates were available.

13.3 Oxford to Cambridge Expressway

Council had registered with the objection group.

14. Music in Quiet Places

No updates were available.

Action: Clerk to contact Cllr MP for information for the Newsletter.

Clerk

15. Best Kept Village Competition

The Parish Council had entered the 2019 Best Kept Village Competition. The judging will take place in July.

16. Mushroom

Chair had received an email from a resident who had received recommendations from a tree expert on how to encourage the Mushroom tree to recover. The Parish Council agreed to pay for 2 large bags of bark which the resident had agreed to feed and spread around the tree.

The resident also pointed out that another resident had been cutting the playground and verges down Church Walk.

Action: Chair agreed to follow up with the residents.

Chair

17. Councillor Vacancy

No one had shown interest in joining the Parish Council.

Action: defer until next meeting.

18. General Correspondence

The general correspondence had been circulated to Councillors by email and is attached at appendix 2.

19. Any Other Business**19.1 Lay-bye opposite village hall**

It was suggested that a formal approach be made to Bucks County Council to have the land opposite the village hall turned into a proper lay-bye. Funding might be available from the HS2 Road Safety Fund.

20. Date of Next Meetings

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Village Hall at 8pm on Thursday 16 May 2019. This will be followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council Meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

Appendix 1

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS NOTED					
Date	Supplier	Ref.	Payment	Receipt	Comments
25/03/2019	CPRE	238 DD	36.00		Annual Membership
05/04/2019	BCC			1,664.27	2020 Devolved services payment
07/04/2019	RTM	1	379.99		Inv: 1600: devolved services grass cutting
07/04/2019	Best Kept village	2	25.00		2019 Best kept village competition entry fee
07/04/2019	Bucks & MK ALC	3	70.15		2019-20 Subscription
	E.on	4	13.94		Inv H1701CFF24 - Street lighting 1 Jan - 31 March 2019

APPENDIX 2

General Correspondence Received

	AVDC	From	Subject
i.	2 Apr	Electoral & Democratic Officer	Review of Polling Districts & Polling Places
ii.	1 Apr	Electoral & Democratic Officer	Alterations to the electoral register
iii.	29 Mar	Electoral & Democratic Officer	News for the Parishes - March 2019
	28 Mar	Street Cleansing and Horticultural Contract Manager	Dog waste service 2019-20
	26 Mar	Parks & Green Infrastructure Officer, Environment Team	S106 application deadline
	25 Mar	Grants and Voluntary Sector Support Officer	New Homes Bonus Project Grant round open for Expressions of Interest – confirmation of deadline
	BCC	From	Subject
i.	1 Apr	CC Angela Macpherson	Notification of leave
ii.	14 Apr	CC and DC Councillors	Special Event advanced warning for Middle Claydon Bridleway No.10 and Footpath No.12
	Association of Local Councils	From	Subject
i.	28 Mar		Presentations from BCC Parish Liaison Meeting 27th March
ii.	22 Mar		BCC Parish Liaison Meeting 27 March 2019
iii.	8 Apr		NALC UPDATE - L01-19 Code of Recommended Practice on Local Authority Publicity (England)
iv.	5 Apr		Presentation from the BMKALC parish unitary workshops
v.	15 Apr		News Update from TfB for parish & Town Councils
vi.	12 Apr		BMKALC Update
	Other	From	Subject
i.	28 Mar	Clerk, Calver Green	Dunsty Hill - -proposed development
ii.	28 Mar	Esther Turnbull	Mushroom tree
iii.	26 Mar	CIB	Dates for Your Diary
iv.	26 Mar	PKF Littlejohn	BU0065 - 2018/19 AGAR PKF Littlejohn instructions
v.	9 Apr	Roy van de Poll, Councillor - Winslow Town Council	Solar Farm Application 19/00983/APP
vi.	4 Apr	Brendan Heenan, JARE Ltd	Reflector, Hinton Close
vii.	15 Apr	Robert Evans, Councillor Charndon Parish Council	Notification of new clerk
	13 Apr	CPRE	Celebrating 70 years of our National Parks
	18 Mar	Came & Company	Came & Company Local Council Insurance - Pre Renewal Email