

## CLAYDON & WHITTON PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of Claydon & Whitton Parish Council was held in Claydon Village Hall on Monday 19 January 2015 at 7.30 pm

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Present: Cllrs F Blastland, G Cornish, A Dunford, L Fotheringham, B Fotheringham, N Gutteridge, M Le-May, G Risbridger (part-meeting), J Rose, CJ Studd, S Vaughan, J Whitehead, J Field (County Councillor) part-meeting, M Redbond (District Councillor), PCSO Matt Brown and two members of the public.

Prior to the meeting commencing, the Chairman wished Anne well during her hospital treatment and thanked her for all the work she does on behalf of the parish council.

1. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY NOTICE  
Prior to the meeting commencing the Chairman read out the notice regarding openness and transparency.
2. PUBLIC FORUM  
Mr Tuppen raised several issues regarding Church Lane, some of which are in the process of being pursued by the parish council and some which will be followed up. SITA is up and running but not without issues. No public data is has been made available from the monitor at St Peter's Court since June 2014 and Cllr Field will be contacted. The drainage problem outside the Rectory is on-going and the parish council are pursuing this with SCC.
3. APOLOGIES  
Apologies were received from Cllr JRG Williams (unwell) and PCSO Brill who is on a rest day.
4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING  
The minutes of the meeting held on 10 November 2014 were approved and signed.
5. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST  
None
6. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF COUNCIL TAX ARREARS  
None
7. PROTOCOL FOR FILMING COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MEETINGS  
Notes of the informal meeting held on 24 November 2014 are appended in the minute book.

Cllr Cornish proposed that the revised wording of the Standing Orders be adopted. This was seconded by Cllr Blastland and, subject to two abstentions, was agreed.

The revised draft Standing Orders will be sent to all parish councillors and an item will be on the agenda for the annual meeting of the council in May 2015. for approval.

8. CORRESPONDENCE
  - (a) Buckingham Palace Garden Party  
A garden party is being held on Thursday 28 May 2015 and parish councillors would contact the clerk with their nominations.
  - (b) Induction Loop  
Cllr Gutteridge was surprised that the Village Hall did not have an induction loop as this is a public place and used by a variety of organisations. It was agreed to liaise with the Village Hall Management Committee to see whether it would be possible to have an Induction Loop System installed. This would be quite an expensive item and it may be possible to obtain a grant from SITA.

(c) Request for trial evening bus service

The parish council supported Barry Moore's attempts to obtain an evening bus service on a trial basis and encouraged him to write further letters in order to achieve this aim.

*The Chairman closed the meeting to allow Mrs Swale to speak.*

Mrs Swale pointed out that there is a questionnaire on the parish website which should be completed as an evening bus service is essential.

*The Chairman reconvened the meeting.*

(d) Community Achievement Award

Confirmation had been received from MSDC that Maureen Swale is to receive a Community Achievement Award as recognition of her work for the village over many years. This will be presented at a ceremony to be held at Haughley Park Barns on Thursday 12 March. The Chairman congratulated Maureen on this achievement.

(e) The Local Councillor

Anyone wishing to raise any issues from this edition would contact the clerk.

(f) SITA Chimney

Discussions took place on the complaints being received regarding emissions from the chimney. Whether smoke or steam it is not good for the environment. Cllr Studd attends meetings at SITA and feels we need readings from the chimney and from the site. Members of this committee need to be made up with a mix of local residents and officials. SITA will again be informed of our concerns.

*The Chairman closed the meeting to allow Mr Tuppen to speak.*

Mr Tuppen was concerned that we should be receiving monitoring data at 3 monthly intervals covering St Peter's Court but the last data received was in June 2014. Cllr Field will be asked to investigate.

*The Chairman reconvened the meeting.*

9. PLANNING & AMENITIES REPORT

(a) Draft minutes of meeting held 24 November 2014

Copy appended in the minute book.

(b) Yellow Lines

The yellow lines have been painted but unfortunately there are a few areas in Church Lane which are not correct and SCC have been contacted and the correction work will be put in hand.

10. FINANCE REPORT

(a) Draft minutes of meeting held 8 December 2014

Copy appended in the minute book.

(b) Precept 2015/16

The Employment Committee met recently (Chairman, Vice Chairman and Chairman of Finance) when the pay award for the clerk was discussed. An agreement has been reached between the employers and unions that the pay award should be 2.2% of current salary + non-consolidated one off payment pro rata w.e.f. 01.01.15. The Employment Committee unanimously agreed with this.

Cllr Gutteridge proposed that the parish clerk's annual salary is increased by 2.2% w.e.f. 01.01.15 + £100 pro rata. This was seconded by Cllr Dunford and unanimously agreed.

Cllr Gutteridge proposed that the Parish Council set a precept of £38,735 for 2015/16. This was seconded by Cllr Whitehead and unanimously agreed.

## 11. QUESTIONS ON WRITTEN REPORTS

### (a) Police

Copy of PCSO Brill's report is appended in the minute book  
PCSO Matt Brown explained that the telegraph pole in Church Lane which was knocked down was not on the "Crimes" list as this is classed as an RTA. The Chairman requested that RTA's be included in the report in future. Police reports provided for parish council meetings will in future be placed on the website.

### (b) County Councillor

Copy of Cllr Field's report is appended in the minute book. This report will also be sent to all parish councillors when received.

Cllr Dunford referred to a consultation which is taking place proposing a 20 mph speed limit scheme for Whitton and Castle Hill. Cllr Field was asked to look further into the possibility of a 20 mph speed limit through Claydon.

Regarding the flooding outside the Rectory in Church Lane, the Chairman stressed that we need Cllr Field to put pressure on SCC to solve this problem as it has been going for a very long time.

The smoke/steam continues to be emitted from the SITA chimney

*The Chairman closed the meeting to allow Mr Tuppen to speak.*

Mr Tuppen pointed out that SITA website used to provide copies of minutes of liaison meetings and he would like to see these resurrected. The clerk will request this service.

*The Chairman reconvened the meeting.*

### (c) District Councillor

The District Councillors' report is appended in the minute book.

### (d) Village Hall

Copy of Geoff Rogers' report is appended in the minute book.

Cllr Dunford congratulated John Tuppen, Cllr Redbond and everyone who have worked very hard to get the IT hub up and running

### (e) Recreation Ground

Trevor Girling reported that the hedges/bushes have been cut back. The main pitch is in a poor condition and will require a lot of work during the closed season.

### (f) SALC Area Meeting – 4 December 2014

Copy of minutes appended in the minute book.

## 12. RAIL SERVICES

### (a) Station at Great Blakenham

Barry Moore had prepared a case for a station at Great Blakenham and the parish council supported him with his efforts and agreed that they would like him to respond to the consultation document on behalf of the parish council.

### (b) Ipswich to Peterborough Passenger Rail Services

A consultation had been received on the necessity for a rail service between Ipswich and Peterborough. One parish councillor had responded and the views were forwarded to SCC with a copy to SALC.

## 13. A14 ROAD NOISE

We will continue to pressurise the Highways Agency for work to be carried out on this road.

## 14. CONSERVATION AREA

Cllr Blastland reported that Otley College have taken on the project to improve the conservation area and that this should take them a couple of days. Suffolk Wildlife have given their recommendations.

15. COMMUNITY IT HUB  
Dealt with under Item 11(d) above.
16. CLAYDON CHURCH LANE  
Dealt with under item 11(b) above.
17. CLAYDON & BARHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE  
Cllr Cornish confirmed that she would attend Community Centre meetings as a representative of the parish council.
18. SUCH OTHER BUSINESS THAT IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY  
None

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm

Chairman