

Great Clifton Parish Council

Draft Minutes of a meeting of Great Clifton Parish Council on Thursday, 20 October 2016

Councillors Present: Malcolm Fee (Chair), Noreen Walker, Irene Owens, Jonathan Coles, Jo Kirkbride, Bob McKenzie, Phil Tibble, Angela Meek (Clerk)

One member of public present

MINUTES

1	<p>Welcome</p> <p>(i) The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting</p>
2	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>(i) Celia Perry, Joe Holliday, Ernie Dixon</p>
3	<p>Declaration of Interest</p> <p>(i) None</p>
4	<p>Public Participation</p> <p>(i) None</p>
5	<p>Minutes of last meeting</p> <p>(i) The chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the council meeting held on 15 September 2016 as a true record.</p>
6	<p>Matters arising from minutes</p> <p>(i) Three quotes sent out for clearing and topping of the former Bowling Green and hedge cutting - to date no quotes returned.</p>
7	<p>Chairman's Announcements</p> <p>(i) Litter pick was well attended – was mentioned that a council worker was litter picking in the village one Tuesday.</p> <p>(ii) Defibrillator training was well attended with 12 people turning up.</p> <p>(iii) CP has informed of her inability to organise the children's Christmas Party as Bill is not well – JK, MF, JC to look at – it was mentioned that there is nothing provided for older children</p>
8	<p>Clerks Report</p> <p>(i) Followed up on Play Inspection Report and was informed that they had been emailed weeks ago – (trouble with laptop) JS resent the email and report received</p> <p>(ii) Looked at new laptops and although I found one for the budget given of £300 there was an additional charge of £100 for the office suit software, PT to kindly donate money for Office Package</p> <p>(iii) 2015/16 External Audit Returned fully validated and signed off.</p> <p>(iv) 2 wreaths were ordered in September and a further 2 requested in October.</p>
9	<p>Village Hall (RM Report)</p> <p>(i) The Hall is well used with something on most days/evenings</p> <p>(ii) MF is looking after the bookings while Bill is in hospital</p> <p>(iii) Still trying to get quotes for work around the outside of the Hall</p> <p>(iv) The foyer is getting very dirty so have got a steam cleaner to see if it will remove the dirt</p> <p>(v) In the process of organising an evening event</p> <p>(vi) To look at rental fees for the hall</p>

10	<p>Allotments (RM Report)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) A water bill of £271.28 has been paid (ii) Noreen has bought rat poison for £32.97 (iii) The allotments have been overrun by rabbits this summer, first time this has happened since taking over in 1985 (iv) The allotment bank account stands at £1046.70
11	<p>Village / Parish Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Reported at last month's meeting – (11. (v)) Privet at No 25 Clifton Lodge is very overgrown impeding onto the pavement, forcing pedestrians onto the road – New Action AM to write to occupier (ii) Hedges and verges require a cut back from Gatehead to the end of the village David Gates side Action AM to contact DG (iii) The footpath from Bowflatts leading to Stainburn behind the hedge has still not been cleared of old cuttings - Action AM to report Highways (iv) Report of broken seat in park - MF has repaired seat (v) Complaints of new tenants on Riverside cutting down trees on the embankment for better view – Action AM to look at who owns the land (vi) JC talked of a distribution of a flyer describing the Parish Council and countering some misconceptions that Parish Councillor's are paid. That the Workington Tip/Recycling Centre charges for waste brought in using a trailer or van. MF will be delivering a circular to households in Great Clifton during December and would add this flyer with it, JC agreed to deliver flyers to the remainder of the village – discussions of the printing cost were looked at and AM said she would approach Andrew Seekings to see if he would allow for the printing to be done from Allerdale House FOC or at a reduced cost. Action AM to ask AS <p>Report from PT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (vii) Melbreak Planning Permission to go on agenda for chalets/lodges – will keep the PC informed (viii) Health consultation survey in process
12	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>To note items of correspondence received since the last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Letter received from M Pattinson - proposed security work to the east side of the allotments at 'Bottins footpath'. Mr Pattinson is seeking permission to install a gate giving pedestrian access only. Also to clean out all growth leaving the established trees to hedge of the rugby field in order to see any vehicle movement. All works would be voluntary if the council could ask Mr Elliott for the use or hire of a JCB – Action AM to write to MP to organise a site meeting with MF, JK
13	<p>Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) None
14	<p>Financial Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Triple TTT Ltd – grass cutting invoice - £820.00 (ii) LBDO – External Audit - £120.00 (iii) A Meek - expenses - £53.99 (iv) MF - expenses - £6.60
15	<p>Items for future meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Flyers – door to door (ii) Success Regime
16	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Thursday 17 November 2016</p>