

# Great Clifton Parish Council

Draft Minutes of a meeting of Great Clifton Parish Council on Thursday, 15 September 2016

Councillors Present: Malcolm Fee (Chair), Noreen Walker, Irene Owens, Jonathan Coles, Jo Kirkbride, Ernie Dixon, Joe Holliday, Angela Meek (Clerk)

One members of public present

## MINUTES

1	<p><b>Welcome</b> The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting</p>
2	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b> Celia Perry, Bob McKenzie, Phil Tibble</p>
3	<p><b>Declaration of Interest</b> None</p>
4	<p><b>Public Participation</b> Report of criminal damage to an electricity box outside No 1 Rosemary Gardens, padlock was smashed off, fuse box and carrier stolen</p>
5	<p><b>Minutes of last meeting</b> The chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the council meeting held on 21 July 2016 as a true record.</p>
6	<p><b>Matters arising from minutes</b> (i) Highways – cut hedges along the footpath but not at the reported areas (ii) Quote from TTT Cumbria Ltd of £2000 for works on the former bowling green and adjacent car park – <b>Action - AM to get 3 other quotes from local firms</b></p>
7	<p><b>Chairman’s Announcements</b> (i) Japanese Knotweed spotted in the village, small amount at Carter Garth which looked to have been treated and a well-established growth was found at Middlegate, Angela and I knocked at the doors but no-one was home so Angela sent letters to the properties – to date this is being dealt with. (ii) A resident enquired about becoming a Poll Clerk in the Village Hall during elections– group discussion, <b>Action MF- report to resident to apply at ABC’s Democratic Services Department</b> (iii) Litter pick on Saturday, all to meet at 10am at the village hall (iv) Defibrillator training arranged for 29 September, 7pm Village Hall.</p>
8	<p><b>Clerks Report</b> (i) All actions completed (ii) Laptop crashed again, have now set up a desktop on my personal laptop. Group decision for AM to purchase a new laptop to the value up to £300. (iii) Internet security renewal due in 28 days</p>
9	<p><b>Village Hall</b> (i) No report (ii) MF A new dance class was started last week with around 37 children attending</p>
10	<p><b>Allotments</b> No report</p>

11	<p><b>Village Matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Defibrillator instruction incomplete as writing has faded away</li> <li>(ii) Village green space application on William Street rejected as it is on the council plan for development</li> <li>(iii) Fence at the edge of the playing field, JC emailed Kerry McCartney who knew nothing about it but was going to investigate – awaiting her report</li> <li>(iv) Markings on road at Council Houses showing one way system worn away, needs repainted – AM reported to this Highways in March, also reported Painting of 30PH on Main Road through the village and Middlegate –Give Way lines on road need to be moved nearer the turn off <b>Action - JH to report</b></li> <li>(v) Privet at No 25 Clifton Lodge is very overgrown impeding onto the pavement, forcing pedestrians onto the road – Action AM to write to Home Housing</li> <li>(vi) Seat in the children’s park is rusty and broken, needs attention. Also rubber flooring has been lifted – <b>Action MF to look at</b></li> <li>(vii) Reports of people dropping rubbish in the park, cigarette butts, crisp packets etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>PT update from last meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(viii) Reported fly tipping at Camerton Lonning</li> <li>(ix) Was contacted by a Great Clifton resident concerned about not having high speed broadband in the village, there is a cabinet but it has not yet been activated. I have emailed BT and the MP as Sue has lobbied for this before</li> <li>(x) Has the council made a decision on what they want to do with the former bowling green, I can get funding and advice on that</li> </ul>
13	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>To note items of correspondence received since the last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Compliance with the Transparency Code for smaller Authorities, Gt Clifton PC guidance notes, Application for Transparency fund 16-17</li> <li>(ii) The Children’s Foundation – donation request letter</li> </ul>
14	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>None</p>
15	<p><b>Financial Matters</b></p> <p>Triple TTT Cumbria Ltd - £205.00 (to note there was not 2 councillors present to sign the cheque)</p>
16	<p><b>Items for future meetings</b></p>
17	<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Thursday 20 October 2016</p>