

## Great Clifton Parish Council

Draft Minutes of a meeting of Great Clifton Parish Council on Thursday 14 December 2017

Councillors Present: Malcolm Fee (Chair), Irene Owens, Celia Perry, Phil Tibble, Bob McKenzie, Jo Kirkbride (Vice Chair), Stephen Hodgson, Alyson Smith, Ernie Dixon, Angela Meek (Clerk)

1 member of public present

### MINUTES

<b>1</b>	<p><b>Welcome</b></p> <p>(i) MF welcomed all to the meeting</p>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b></p> <p>Joe Holliday, Noreen Walker, Jonathan Coles, Evelyn Fitzmaurice</p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Declaration of Interest</b></p> <p>(i) None</p>
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Public Participation</b></p> <p>(i) Stephen Hodgson co-opted onto the Parish Council</p>
<b>5</b>	<p><b>Minutes of last meeting</b></p> <p>(i) The chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the council meeting held on 16 November 2017 as a true record.</p>
<b>6</b>	<p><b>Matters arising from minutes</b></p> <p>(i) SH report – Social media used to highlight problems in the village.</p> <p>(ii) Environment and Health &amp; Safety Officers from ABC, Home Group Maintenance Managers have attended two walk arounds in the village to look at problems with regards to rat infestation and fly tipping, a plan of action is to be compiled. Currently Home Group to send out letters to houses with unkept gardens requesting them to clean them up. ABC sending out road picker vans to clear the affected areas.</p> <p>(iii) Fly tipping at the recent bonfire site is on private land and Officers suggested that the Parish Council contact the owner to ask for them to take appropriate action to deter against continued dumping – AS has approached the owner to discuss the issue – <b>Action AM to follow up with a letter and photos provided by AS.</b></p> <p>(iv) Anti-social behaviour involving youths from problem families being placed in the village by Home Group – AM contacted Home Group to request a report of numbers of problem families placed in the village in the last 3 years – Pauline Waite, Housing Manager for Home Group responded that unfortunately she is unable to provide details due to data protection guidelines.</p> <p>(v) Anti-social behaviour has had drop in reported issues but this could be due to the recent cold spell.</p> <p>(vi) 100-year service of the Royal Air Force – CP will report on what the Derwent Vale School is planning.</p>
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Chairman's Announcements</b></p> <p>(i) Wrote a letter from the Parish Council stating strongly against the planning application for the proposed Peaking Power development plant in the village.</p>
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Clerks Report</b></p> <p>(i) All actions of last meeting completed</p> <p>(ii) Action – report street light out near footpath leading from the Gavels to Clifton Lodge, HIMS Ref: W172930295 – Reported no fault found – ED light still out by 16 Clifton Lodge – <b>Action AM to report new location</b></p> <p>(iii) AM thanked PT as following up on actions from the last meeting Phil was always one step ahead</p>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Village Hall (RM report)</b></p> <p>(i) Asbestos from under the stage has been removed, cleaned out and a certificate to prove work completed. Cost of removal was £4900+vat. RM requested that the bill be paid through the Parish Council so the village hall committee is not committed to vat amount.</p> <p>(ii) Scaffolding has been donated to the hall so can now access the lights in the highest part of the room when needed to be replaced</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(iii) Painting of the foyer area is now in progress.</li> <li>(iv) We are looking at getting a floor cleaner as due to usage it is hard to keep clean.</li> <li>(v) The Christmas tree was kindly donated by Iggusund again this year and has been erected and decorated</li> <li>(vi) The children's Christmas party was a success again, RM thanked Celia and all that helped her.</li> </ul>
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Allotments (RM Report)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Rat poison purchased at a cost of £33.92</li> <li>(ii) The allotment fund as of 4 November 2017 just over £1500.</li> <li>(iii) The water has been switched off for the winter and will be back on in March, notices have been put up.</li> <li>(iv) Notice warning about the South American potato tuber has been put up on the allotment notice board for information</li> </ul>
<b>11</b>	<p><b>Village / Parish Matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) PT advised that he has been busy following up on issues discussed at the recent problem-solving meeting held at Salterbeck which included visits to Great Clifton with H&amp;S and Environment Officers as well as Home Group Housing and Maintenance Managers.</li> <li>(ii) PT advised all to report each incident to the police so there is an official log and to use the ABC 'my Allerdale' App to report each instance.</li> <li>(iii) JK reported a theft of approximately 25 squirrel traps being stolen from her home grounds. Jo is Chair of the Red Squirrel Trust and the mesh boxes are to trap grey squirrels. The boxes are of no monetary value.</li> <li>(iv) IO reported the attempted break in at the chapel</li> <li>(v) The illegal tip at Camerton Lonning has blocked a stream and this has caused a diverted flooding course way. <b>Action PT to follow up</b></li> <li>(vi) Hedge Southside unfinished <b>Action AM to write to Mr Gates</b></li> <li>(vii) TTT Ltd has completed works on clearing the former Bowling Green and adjoining car park.</li> </ul>
<b>12</b>	<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) Letters/emails received since the last meeting on table</li> <li>(ii) Letter from Mr KL Foster informing of his new business and inquiring if there was any gardening works he could quote for – all agreed that a tender would be sent out in January for the grass cutting contract in the village. AM to write to Mr Foster regarding the tender.</li> <li>(iii) Mayor of Allerdale Mary Bainbridge's Christmas card competition was won by 9yr old Elise Kirby High from Derwent Vale Primary School, congratulations to her.</li> </ul>
<b>13</b>	<p><b>Planning Applications</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 2/2017/0516 Peaking Power development – all strongly oppose – <b>Action PT to talk to Jeff Eaton</b></li> <li>(ii) Planning application 2/2017/0392 decision – FULL PLANS APPROVED – Parish councillor's wants it recorded that they have objected to this application as it is building on the only registered GREEN SPACE in the village. There are also huge tanks under where the dwellings are to be erected</li> </ul>
<b>14</b>	<p><b>Financial Matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Village Hall Hire Invoice No 72 £136.00</li> <li>(ii) Misc receipts for the children's Christmas party £336.07</li> <li>(iii) West Coast Thermal Ltd Invoice 12325 £5,880.00</li> </ul> <p><b>Money in</b> – Great Clifton Village Hall £4,900.00</p> <p>Precept – AM to request breakdown as different from last year</p>
<b>15</b>	<p><b>Items for future meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Precept</li> </ul>
<b>16</b>	<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Thursday 18 January 2018</p>

Signed by Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

*Malcolm Lee*

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