

**MINUTES OF THE OF CLIDDES DEN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE MILLENNIUM VILLAGE HALL  
COMMENCING AT 19:30 ON TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2015**

**Present:** Cllrs: Francis (AF) Neilson (AN), (Chairman), Newman (SN), Williams (CW).

**In Attendance.** 1 member of the public & the Parish Clerk.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Egginton (work).

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

The Clerk declared an interest in Item 11(b): payment of salary & admin expenses.

**3. MINUTES**

**13/16** It was  
**RESOLVED** to receive and approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 7 July 2015.

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no requirement for an Open Forum.

**5. REPORTS**

- a. **Police Report:** PC Reid's report is at **Appendix A**. He also reported that it is hoped to have a final decision on proposals from local council/residents to finance a dedicated beat officer for the area by the end of September.
- b. **School Governors:** Nothing to report.
- c. **Planning Matters:** AN reported that there had been no planning activity since the previous meeting. The Clerk reported complaints about burning at Cruenta Carus. Action to be taken.
- d. **Village Hall:** No report.
- e. **Paths & Ponds:** CW reported that hedgerows are cut back. However surface vegetation, particularly on Footpath 1 near its egress onto Station Road near Station Cottages is a problem. Clerk to check whether this area is designated for Priority Cutting.
- f. **Communications:** (i) Website Development: it was agreed to further investigate the development of the website on the basis of including more information, but on the principle of "keep it simple" (ii) it was agreed that the guidelines for the newsletter are largely still applicable and that the advertising policy will remain unchanged. The draft documents are to be amended to incorporate updating changes and re-issued.
- g. **Highways:** (i) AN confirmed that photographs had been sent to HCC of problems near Rectory Row. It is hoped that the 30mph roundels will be included in HCC's works programme.
- h. **Clerk's Report:** Nothing to report not included in specific agenda items.

**6. ROAD SAFETY MEASURES**

The Clerk reported that signage had been received that day and would be installed shortly. Arrangements will be made to have volunteers trained, prior to carrying out roadside speed checks, commencing during September.

**7. PHONE BOX DEFIBRILLATOR/VETS**

**Village Emergency Telephone System (VETS):** The cost of introducing the Village Emergency telephone System (VETS) (i) in support of the defibrillator and (ii) as a general aid to public safety was discussed. It was agreed to reduce the cost of introducing the VETS system (i) by removing the use of dedicated telephone handsets (ii) training of volunteers which should reduce the cost considerably. Clerk to approach the Community Heartbeat Trust (CHT) to discuss. SN pointed out that there are there are more than 6 first aid trained residents in the village; but 6 had attended the Awareness Training event held by CHT.

It was agreed that suitable locations indicating the location of the nearest defibrillator would be: The Village Hall, Jolly farmer, Notice Boards, telephone pole at Southlea, the School, Bus Stop, Farleigh Wallop Club, by the Black Barn and alongside waste bins.

**8. PROPOSED RIGHT TO BUY EXTENSION TO HOUSING ASSOCIATION TENANTS**

Government's proposal to extend the Right to Buy to Housing Association tenants was discussed. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to B. Cllr Ruffell, BDBC Housing Department, Kingfisher Housing Association, the Housing Minister, & the Constituency MP expressing CPC's objection to this proposal on the basis that rural housing, particularly rural exclusion housing should be retained for rent to local residents.. English Rural Housing Association are to be advised of this action.

**9. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Before discussing financial matters, it was agreed that this topic should, in future, be taken earlier in the agenda.

- a. A financial report and bank reconciliation showing balances at 25 August 2015 of £333.09 on the Treasurer's Account (up to & including CQ No 619) and £111,511.03 on the Deposit Account was noted.
- b. Payments for approval.

**15/16  
RESOLVED**

It was  
to approve the following payments:

CQ NO	Payee	Service	Amount
		<b>Payments made between meetings</b>	
609	Personalised Print	Printing June/July newsletters	£115.55
610	R. Darley	Admin expenses July	£149.86
DD	Information Comm	Data Protection Registration Renewal	£35.00
611	M & T Landscapes	Grounds Maintenance @ the Pond Inv 2104	£80.00
612	Personalised Print	Printing June/July newsletters	£135.66
		<b>New CQs for signature</b>	
613	R. Darley	August Salary + Admin Expenses	£256.44
614	HMRC	PAYE August	£53.40
615	1 & 1 via the Clerk		£35.96
616	R. Darley	Salary: September	£213.47
617	HMRC	PAYE September	£53.40
618	Eurosigns(UK) via the Clerk	Speedwatch Signage	£177.72
619	BDO Llp	Audit Fee 2015	£120.00
		Total	£1,426.46

(c) **2014/2015 Accounts & Audit:** The Clerk reported that the Annual Report had been returned by BDO with comments on the accuracy of the Fixed Assets section. The advice of the Internal Auditor is that the Fixed Assets figure to be reported in 2016 should include the tank purchased under the s106 project at £1 and the cost of purchasing the defibrillator.

11. **MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS/CLERK**

None raised.

12. **DATES OF FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Future meetings will be held & 3 November 2015 and 5 January 2016.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21.25.

Signed.....

Date.....

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## Report to Cliddesden Parish Council 1 September 2015

15 July 2015	Telephone nuisance reported: Southlea
01 August 2015	2 suspicious men seen at 1 am by Jackson's site in bushes
01 August 2015	Alarm activation at Black Barn: Staff
02 August 2015	Damage road accident: 2 cars, wing mirrors, Woods Lane
06 August 2015	Alarm at School: Staff
08 August 2015	Suspicious man seen in garden: came from party next door.
13 August 2015	Public order incident in Century Close.
28 August 2015	Damage to wall at Pond House: vehicle reversing
29 August 2015	4 x 4 seen in field near School: Gunshots heard.
30 August 2015	Concern for care: Century Close: Ambulance Service checking.
30 August 2015	Theft of 2 cycles from rear of a car at Jolly Farmer public house: found nearby
31 August 2015	Noise complaint regard from a party
01 Sept 2015	Complaint re parking on B3046 at Southlea

## Crimes

- 3 Domestic disputes
- 1 Robbery
- 2 Possession of drugs
- 2 Criminal damage (i) to a car window (ii) to a wall by drunk driver
- 1 assault
- 1 laser pen aimed at a helicopter
- 1 Public order
- 1 theft