

# **CLIVIGER PARISH COUNCIL**

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## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, JUNE 4th, 2021, IN CLIVIGER VILLAGE HALL**

Present: I Emo, C. Briggs, G Smith, C. Towneley and K Whittle, plus PSCO

M Hill.

### **1. Code of conduct (Declaration of Interest)**

None.

### **2. Apologies for absence**

Coun M Heys.

### **3. Police report**

Please see attached. Councillors gave details of concerns of a transit van acting suspiciously by the old Co op buildings, roaming dogs and electric scooters on the road. A resident had contacted the clerk over concerns of vehicles speeding through Watchgate up to the Long Causeway and has asked for community concern signs to be put up. The clerk to contact LCC and Coun. Towneley is to raise with the new crime and police commissioner.

### **4. Questions from residents**

None

### **5. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising**

These were accepted, with the correction of Sunnyhurst Avenue not Sunnyhurst Woods in 6 (a).

#### **5 (a) New sign at Mereclough Memorial Garden**

Coun. Towneley to contact a local sign maker for a quote.

### **6. Allotments**

Discussions were held over the future of allotments which are not been cared for on a regular basis. This is due to the fact that there are seven people on the waiting list. A final decision will be made at the July meeting, ready for the renewals in August.

#### **6 (a) Councillors' reports**

Coun Briggs raised concern over a low gate through from Towneley Park into Park Road after a resident injured their head. She asked for a warning sign to be erected.

Coun Emo raised concerns over rubbish left at the entrance to The Holme, which is often set on fire. This is on private land.

Coun Whittle said the hedges on Mount Lane up to Meadow Top are in need of a trim. Coun. Emo to look at.

There have been reports of birds going into the RACA pavilion and Coun Emo to check the fascia boards and also to liaise with BBC's parks re the lock on the RACA park gate. Coun Emo had also made safe a water tank at the Mount Lane pavilion.

Coun Smith raised concern over the amount of time taken to report lights out at Bacup Road/Burnley Road through the LCC customer services department. Coun. Towneley said the system is being re looked at by the cabinet member on LCC.

Coun Whittle reported a problem at the footbridge in Walk Mill where the mesh is wearing away. Coun Towneley to investigate.

#### 6 (b) Borough reports

Congratulations were given to Couns Emo and Towneley on receiving the Mayor's Medal for community work during the pandemic.

#### 6 (c) County reports

Coun Towneley gave an update on discussions with LCC and the school re the running of Mount Lane playing fields. She gave details of an idea being considered by LCC for rural minibuses run by parents to cut down on school gate congestion. It was agreed the parish council buy flags for the Armed Forces Day on June 28th. Coun Towneley to arrange.

Discussions were held over the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations and it is hoped the parish council will organise events for next year. The clerk to contact the Lord Lieutenant's office to find out what plans they have to mark the jubilee.

#### 6 (d) Village hall

Coun. Towneley has raised problems of local residents using the car park. The village hall is to apply to the Lancashire Environmental Fund for renewables in the hall. The parish council has pledged up to £3,000 towards the scheme if the bid is successful.

### 7. Finance

#### **£60 in from HMRC - VAT refund.**

£355– Rebecca Hay, salary and expenses

£38.58 – Clerk's pension.

£32.57— Eon for the Park Road pavilion

£25.16 - British Gas for Mount Lane pavilion.

£46.87 = Eon for Mount Lane pavilion

### 8 Correspondence

None.

### 9 Planning

Cou/2021/0283 conversion of vacant building to 2 bed residential, Mount Pleasant, Mount Lane. Object to this application.

It is not in the Local Plan for development. The plan shows an oversized development on a small site. The

biggest concern is the highway aspect. It is on a bend on a major bus route and the narrow road is very fast due to being used as a rat run down onto Burnley Road.

The BBC enforcement officer is looking into issues at Honeyholme Farm, a holiday cottage at Stipend- en Farm and Cold Soil.

#### 10. Scottish Power Benefit Fund

The community benefit fund report for 2020/21 is on the website. The parish council has been asked to compile a survey to seek the views of the community as to where and what the money should be spent on for the benefit of the community. A decision on the fund administration is also to be made.

#### 11. Date of next meeting

July 2nd, 7 p.m, Cliviger Village Hall.

June 4<sup>th</sup>, Cliviger Village Hall, 7 p.m.