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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2023, IN CLIVIGER VILLAGE HALL

Present: COUNS I. Emo, V. Bennett, C. Towneley, J. Launer, R. Brownbridge, M. Heys, H. Cameron and K. Whittle.

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

None.

### 2. Apologies for absence

COUN C BRIGGS.

### 3. Police report

Stats for September 1<sup>st</sup> to October 17<sup>th</sup> had been sent through. There were four ASB (including sheep on the road and personal incidents), one assault, one burglary and two thefts.

### 4. Questions from residents.

None.

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

These were accepted.

#### (a) Holme Chapel memorial garden

COUN EMO is awaiting a quote from BBC's park's department about replenishing the newly acquired planters. Daffodil bulbs have been donated by parks.

#### (b) Land off Richmond Avenue

A further quote has been sourced for ground work. A third one to be sourced..

#### (c) Speeding in the village

LCC has installed some speed monitoring boxes in the village.

### 6. Code of Conduct

COUN LAUNER asked whether it would be a good idea to join the Lancashire Association of Local Councils to ensure the council is in line with other councils. The council was a member of the association in the past, but the expense of joining was not justified by the benefit given. COUN BROWNBRIDGE said you can attend the local association meetings without joining. The parish council signed the code of conduct followed by Burnley Borough Council. It was suggested that decisions made by the parish council should not be discussed by parish councillors through social media channels, but the opposite opinion is that social media channels are the quickest and easiest way of informing the public.

### 7. Mount Lane pavilion

Following the council's decision not to be responsible for the maintenance of the school side of the Mount Lane playing fields, the future of the pavilion was questioned as it is unused, apart from the odd social event and use three or four times per year by the school for sporting events. Utilities and upkeep have to be paid for through the parish council precept. Coun Heys proposed to shut off the utilities and just pay the standing charges until the Spring, when the position would be re debated. All agreed, apart from Coun Toweley who abstained.

### 8. Allotments

Tree work has now been done. Coun Whittle liasing to sort out some tree work by an allotment holder and the removal of a plum tree by a former allotment holder. To connect the water to the main supply is too expensive and a bid to reinstate the ditch on an adjacent field is not a feasible option.

#### 8 (a) Councillors' reports

Coun Brownbridge reported a minor collapse of a wall on land between Bullshead and Walk Mill, which is the landowner's responsibility.

Coun Heys raised the issue of a new build at the Red Lees Road development which is being built very close to an existing property on Red Lees and is in contravention to the HS4 policy of Burnley Council's Local Plan. The clerk to contact planning.

Coun Bennett asked if the archive noticeboards on Long Causeway could be renovated, possibly as a project for Scottish Power funding, The clerk to contact the archives group.

Coun Emo said he had carried out grass cutting at Mount Lane, Burnley Road and Red Lees by the junction of Dyneley Avenue.

Coun Emo said the opening up of the RACA park pavilion from April to October had been a great success and thanks expressed to Mrs A Robinson for her work. Mrs Robinson happy to open if necessary at other holiday times during the year.

Coun Whittle asked re a large puddle of water which forms at the bottom of the New Road with the entrance to the village.

#### 6 (b) Borough reports

Coun Launer highlighted an online petition calling to reduce the speed limit on the A671 from the traffic lights at the junction of the A671 and the A646 for the distance of approx one mile. People who wish to support can access via <https://www.change.org/p/reduction-of-the-national-speed-limit-60-mph-to-40-mph-on-the-a671-at-cliviger>

He discussed borough issues affecting the future of Charter Walk and anti social behaviour in Queensgate.

#### 6 (c) County reports

Coun Toweley gave details of fly tipping problems on Bacup Road and a speed monitoring project on the A464.

#### 6 (d) Village hall

Coun Emo gave details of work carried out at the village hall and up and coming events.

#### 6 (e) Scottish Power Benefit Fund

Councillors to discuss the fund surplus at the February meeting. Scottish Power has used the success of the community outreach programme run by Basically Cheer and Fitness as a case study.

### 7.Finance

Out:

£430– Rebecca Hay, salary and expenses  
£38.58 – Clerk's pension  
£39.10 – EON Next, Gerry Dawson and RACA pavilions.  
£212.05 – Waterplus for Gerry Dawson pavilion.  
£13.05 – British Gas for Gerry Dawson pavilion.  
£350 – A Robinson for running the RACA park pavilion from April until October.

### 8 Correspondence

It was agreed that Coun Ivor Emo as chairman of Cliviger Parish Council, be authorised on behalf of the council, to execute the transfer of the land at Mereclough, as shown in the document produced to the meeting in Form TP1.

#### 9 Planning

HOU/2023/0604 PROPOSAL: Proposed Single Storey Side Extension AT: 42 Hill Crest Avenue – no objections.

FUL/2023/0636 PROPOSAL: Demolish existing semi-detached house and replace with enlarged semi-detached house (re-submission of application FUL/2023/0406). AT: 243 Burnley Road – concern that the rebuild is bigger than the original footprint and taking light from a neighbouring property.

#### 10 Date of next meeting

December 8th Cliviger Village Hall , 6 p.m, followed by the annual parish meal.