

EAST CLAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
held in East Claydon Village Hall
At 8pm on Thursday 20 October 2022**

Councillors Present: Peter Wright (Chair), Garry Baldwin (GB), Martin Hughes (MH), Gareth Williams (GW), Christopher Jordan (CJ) Christopher Utley(CU)
Also present: Carole Jackman (Clerk) and 2 residents

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None.

1. **Apologies:**
Buckinghamshire Councillor Angela Macpherson, Cllr Dan Clemens.
2. **Members Interests:** None declared.
3. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 18 August 2022**
The minutes of the meeting held on 18 August 2022 were agreed by those present and signed by the Chairman. (Note: The meeting in September was cancelled in respect of the mourning period of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.)
4. **Matters Arising:**
None.
5. **Planning** **(Appendix 1: 2021-22 applications and decisions)**
22/02009/APP: Demolition of existing agricultural structures and change of use to C3 [residential] to form two detached dwellings with landscaping, access, parking provisions and associated work. An objection to the above application had been sent to Buckinghamshire Planning (AVDC area) objecting to this application but it was agreed to add that councillors are concerned about the viability of the treatment plant.
 It was noted that this planning application had been withdrawn, but the reason for the withdrawal was not known.
22/03097/APP | Householder application for single storey rear extension | 10 Lacemakers Close East Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2FA
 Council raised no objection to this planning application.
Action: Clerk to inform Bucks Council (AVDC Area).
6. **Finance and Accounts**
 - 6.1 **Accounts**
Clerk had circulated the accounts prior to the meeting (**see appendix 2**) and Councillors approved them.
 - 6.2 **S106**
It was noted that there still is £1,966.49 left from planning application17/00610/APP +19/02920/APP
 Following the disappointment that Bucks Council would not allow the S106 money to be spent on refurbishment of the clock, it was agreed that cladding/panelling for the village hall should be investigated.
Action: Cllr GB to get quote cladding/panelling
 - 6.3 **2023-24 Budget**
Chair had asked councillors to consider the 2023-24 precept and had prepared the following headings for discussion:

- **Possible support to VH in the event of high heating and lighting costs**

Cllr GB reported that the electricity costs had been fixed until the end of 2024 and that he wasn't too concerned about the electricity and oil costs. He also reported that he was looking into solar roof panels.

Following further discussion on energy saving it was agreed to look into what grants might be available.

Actions: Cllrs CJ and GB to look into energy saving grants.

Cllrs to review costs in 3 months to ensure that the village hall is financially sound.

- **Possible support to finance/support the Parish Magazine**

Following a report that the Claydons Magazine is running over budget various suggestions on cost saving were put forward. However, it was noted that Steeple Claydon and Calvert Green Parish Councils were also keen to keep the magazine in its present form. Cllr GW agreed to look into the printing costs. The Chair will take further sounding from the Vicar and other interested parties.

Action: Chair and Cllr GW to liaise.

- **Possible support to School car park completion**

It was disappointing that there were still some outstanding snagging to be completed by EWR had not completed the school car park as expected. It was noted that further work, for example pedestrian access, barriers, layout, lighting and planting was still required. The school must then arrange for the detailed safety arrangements to be evaluated and parents advised before it could be opened. It was suggested that local businesses should be approached to help with the additional funding required. The Chair was given approval to make a limited financial support for some outstanding items including a narrow footpath from the rear entrance into the school.

Action: Cllr GW to look into grants.

- **Warm Places**

It was suggested that the Women's Institute should be approached for a judgement on the need for a 'warm space'. In particular there is a need to find new volunteers to help run a regular coffee morning or similar event in the VH.

Action: Cllrs GW and GB to make enquiries.

- **Triangle**

No updates were available.

- **Solar panels for VH**

See note above.

- **Maintenance and grass cutting contract**

It was agreed to get feedback from Cllr DC before confirming the 2023 grass cutting contract.

- **Planting spring bulbs and daffodils**

It was agreed that bulbs, up to the value of £100, should be bought and planted around the village.

Action: Cllr CJ to purchase and organise the planting of the bulbs.

- **S106 money**

See 6.2 above.

- **Possible Grant applications**

No decisions on grant applications were made.

7. Village Hall

It was noted that it is the Mushroom's 50th birthday this year.

8. Playground

8.1 Maintenance

Chair passed on thanks to Cllr DC for repairing the play rotor. This has saved a potential major cost outlay.

9. **School Car Park**

See notes 6.3.

10. **Roads and Pathways**

10.1 **Safety Issues with the Triangle**

See 6.3 above.

10.2 **Verges and Hedges**

It was agreed that councillors would approach residents to ask them to cut back their hedges where they are encroaching the footpaths.

Action: Cllrs within the area of the respective residents.

10.3 **Buckinghamshire Council: New Road Maintenance Contract**

It was noted that Balfour Beatty will take over the road maintenance contract from Ringway Jacobs in the new financial year, and Atkins would be the technical and planning consultancy.

11. **Community Boards**

No updates were available.

12. **EWR/HS2**

It was noted that Queen Catherine Road was about to open.

13. **Speed watch**

No updates were available. It is regrettable that so few volunteers have been forthcoming.

14. **Warm Spaces**

See 6.3 above.

15. **Boundary Commission**

Chair had responded to the Boundary Commission survey requesting that Steeple Claydon be kept in the Grendon Underwood Ward with two councillors, thus retaining a close relationship between the Claydon Parishes.

16. **Rotary Santa Float**

Councillors agreed to support the request to run the Santa Float through the village.

17. **General Correspondence**

All relevant email correspondence had been forwarded to Councillors.

18. **Any Other Business**

18.1 **HGV's**

A resident reported that she had noticed HS2 HGV's travelling through the village.

19. **Date of Next meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 8pm on Thursday 17 November 2022

Chair closed the meeting at 9.50.

Appendix 1

2022 Planning Applications

Reference	Address	Status
22/00066/APP	4 Hinton Close East Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2GL	Approved
22/00977/APP	4 Church Way East Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2NB	Approved
22/01788/APP	Monkomb Dairy Winslow Road East Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2LF	Refused
22/01842/APP	The Old Stables Church Way East Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2ND	Approved
22/02009/APP	Land East Of East Claydon Road Opposite Hinton Close East Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2NA	Withdrawn/Not Proceeded With
22/03097/APP	10 Lacemakers Close East Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2FA	Awaiting decision

Appendix 2

Payments and Receipts

Date	Supplier	Ref.	Payment	Receipt	Comments
24/08/2022	Curtis & Carder Ltd	41	264.02		Inv 1013592: Service & Safety check boiler
24/08/2022	KPF Littlejohn	42	240.00		Inv SB20220794: Limited Assurance Review of AGAR year ended 31 Mar 2022
24/08/2022	Oakpark Alarms	43	226.80		Inv 96235: maint 1 Sept 2022 to 31 Aug 2023
31/08/2022	Curtis & Carder Services Ltd	44	72.38		Inv 1034399: repair leak on condense pipe
04/09/2022	RTM	45	408.96		Inv 3611: devolved services grass cutting Aug 22
04/09/2022	C A Jackman	46	354.04		Clerk Salary July/August 2022
04/09/2022	HMRC	47	88.40		Clerk PAYE July/August 2022
06/09/2022	Rachel Seago	48	50.00		Inv TC 2289: Website maintenance August 2022
06/09/2022	Andrew Hayns	49	45.00		Inv SS-0163: Standard service services
16/09/2022	ICO	DD	35.00		Data protection fee
20/09/2022	Bucks Council			10,300.00	2nd precept payment
03/10/2022	RTM	50	408.96		Inv 3661: devolved services grass cutting
03/10/2022	Rachel Seago	51	50.00		Inv TC 2300: website maintenance Sept 2022
10/10/2022	Bigtrees	52	950.00		Inv 1820: reduce Ash tree
10/10/2022	npower	53	18.42		Inv 4854709: Street lighting 1 July to 30 Sept 2022
17/10/2022	C Jackman	54	177.02		Clerk salary - September 2022
17/10/2022	HMRC	55	44.20		Clerk PAYE - September 2022
18/10/2022	Oakpark Alarms	56	115.20		Inv 97078: Replace alarm battery