

## EAST CLAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting  
held in East Claydon Village Hall  
At 7.30pm on Tuesday 17 October 2023**

**Councillors Present:** Cllrs Peter Wright (PW), Gary Baldwin (GB), Martin Hughes (MH), Gareth Williams (GW), Christopher Utley (CU), Christopher Jordan (CJ), and Dan Clemens (DC)

**Also present:** Carole Jackman (Clerk).

**OPEN FORUM:** There were no members of the public present.

1. **Apologies:** UC Angela Macpherson
2. **Members Interests:** None.
3. **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 19 September 2023**  
The minutes of the meeting held on 19 September 2023 were agreed by those present and signed by the Chair.
4. **Matters Arising**  
None.
5. **Planning** **(Appendix 1: 2022-23 applications and decisions)**  
 5.1 **Planning applications**  
**23/01939/SO** | EIA Screening Opinion for a proposed solar farm with associated works on land at Wings Farm, Marston Road, Granborough, MK18 3JX | Wings Farm Marston Road Granborough Buckinghamshire  
 Cllr CJ had reviewed the above application and the Stratera Battery Storage project and noted that there were major discrepancies in Bucks Council's treatment of the two applications.  
**Action: Cllrs to monitor all solar applications and their cumulative effect on the local environment.**
6. **Battery Storage Project- Stratera**  
 It was noted that further public consultations are being held in Granborough and Councillors decided to agree to the request by Stratera to present again in Botolph. It is understood that they have now agreed a new vehicular entry to the Kemp site from Claydon Road, awaiting BC and Grid approval.  
**Action: Chair to confirm dates and times.**
7. **Rosefield Solar Farm**  
 It was noted that an Action group had been formed and were making progress on all fronts to form support an objection. An update meeting for residents had been held in the village hall prior to the Parish Council meeting and had been very well attended. A copy of the presentation can be found on the Action Group website: <https://claydonssolaractiongroup.co.uk/> .  
 An additional consultation is being held by EDF in Calvert Green between 5pm and 8pm on 1 November. The closing date for views or objections is 10 November. All residents are being encouraged to express their views by writing, either completing the EDF form on their website or by email. Residents should copy their comments to the Action group at [info@claydonssolaractiongroup.co.uk](mailto:info@claydonssolaractiongroup.co.uk) as it is of concern that this feedback will be "lost" by EDF.

The Council noted that this Planning Application is being run as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects, (NSIP)

Council wished to thank the group for its work so far.

**Action: Cllrs to prepare suggested bullet points for Cllr CJ to prepare draft objection.**

## 8. Finance and Accounts

### 8.1 Accounts

Clerk had circulated the accounts prior to the meeting (**see appendix 2**) and Councillors approved them. It was agreed to move the allocation for HS2/EWR Road Mitigation to the expenses for the Solar Farm issues.

## 9. Village Hall

Cllr GB had commissioned a contractor to replace the rotten skirting boards.

## 10. School Car Park

The issues surrounding the use of the new car park had not been resolved. Cllr GB reported that he is waiting to hear from the school Governors following their meeting at which the issue will be discussed.

## 11. Roads and Pathways

### 11.1 Dead Tree

A contractor had been appointed to remove the stump on 25 October.

### 11.2 Trees

It was agreed to allocate ~£500 to plant trees in some gaps along the verge opposite the village hall. It was suggested to plant an oak tree near the current one (mushroom).

**Action: Cllrs DC and GB to arrange the purchase and planting of the trees.**

### 11.3 Potholes

**Action: Cllr GB to report again the potholes on the Granborough Road.**

## 12. Devolved Services Agreement

Bucks Council is in the process of reviewing the Devolved Services Agreement, but no updates have been sent to Parish Councils.

## 13. Community Boards

There were no updates. Cllr GW agreed to attend the next meeting.

## 14. EWR/HS2

No updates were available.

## 15. Heritage List

Cllr CJ continues to work on the Heritage List and has submitted 16 assets to Bucks Council and 6 have passed the initial test. The possibility of designating an area of East Claydon around St Mary's Church, Church Way and part of St Mary's Road as a Conservation Area was discussed. It was agreed to investigate the matter further, noting that resource limitations meant that Buckinghamshire Council was unlikely to provide much administrative support and so it would require the PC and local residents to develop a case.

**Action: CJ to pursue the matter in more detail.**

## 16. Parish Magazine

To be deleted from the agenda.

## 17. General Correspondence

All correspondence had been circulated prior to the meeting.

**18. Any Other Business**

It was noted that the Santa Float will be going through the village between 5.30pm and 7.30pm on Sunday 3 December.

**19. Date of Next meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at:

- 7.30 pm on Tuesday 21 November 2023.

Chair closed the meeting at 9.30pm.

## Appendix 1

## 2023 Planning Applications

Reference	Address	Status
23/00115/APP	23 Orchard Way Botolph Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2NG	Approved
23/00212/ALB	1 Orchard Way Botolph Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2NG	Consent Granted
23/01083/PIP	Land Off Hinton Close East Claydon Buckinghamshire	Approved
23/01141/ALB	40 Botyl Road Botolph Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2LR	Consent Granted
23/01568/APP	4 Lacemakers Close East Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2FA	Approved
23/01662/APP	40 Botyl Road Botolph Claydon Buckinghamshire MK18 2LR	Approved
23/01939/SO	Wings Farm Marston Road Granborough Buckinghamshire	Decided

## Appendix 2

## Payments and Receipts

Date	Supplier	Ref.	Payment	Receipt	Comments
23/09/2023	DP Electrical	36	378.00		Inv SI-6438: VH Electrical Test
09/10/2023	Rachel Seago Designs	37	50.00		Inv TC2463: Sept web maintenance
09/10/2023	RTM	38	438.78		Inv 4310: Sept grass cutting
09/10/2023	npower	39	21.17		Inv IN08556646: Street lighting 1 July to 30 Sept 2023