**CLAYDON & WHITTON PARISH COUNCIL**   
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CLAYDON AND WHITTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 10th July 2023, 7.30pm held at Claydon and Barham Village Hall, Norwich Road, Claydon, IP6 0DF

**PRESENT**: Cllrs: C Cutler, S Price, M Reach, S Wells, P Avis, D Patel

**CHAIRPERSON**: Cllr C Studd

**Opening**

**01 – Apologies for absences**

No absences.

**02 – Declaration of interest and local non-pecuniary interests**

No declaration of interest.

**03 – Minutes**

None to approve as it was a planning and finance meeting.

**04 - Public Forum**

Member of public 1 is worried about the community Centre, the accounts are late, there is monetary loss. The data that was supplied, shows in comparison there are more bookings at the village hall than at the community centre. Accounts show that the outgoings are more than the incoming.

Cllr Wells proposes extension of public forum.

Member of public 2 and 3 have complained about being charged for repairs of a listed building. The Parish Council of 1986 applied for it to be listed, residents are questioning if the council can find out why it was listed. The clerk will send link to resident. Cllr Wells has raised that the residents could try contacting their insurance company. Clerk had emailed the owners requesting that they work with residents.

Clerk left for 5 minutes. Cllr Cutler took over.

**05 – Emergency planning**

DC/23/02738 | Full Planning Application - Erection of 1 No. replacement dwelling – A resident is asking for council support on re-building their home. Cllr Wells has decided to not comment due to potential interest. No objections, Clerk will post a support on the planning website.

**Reports**

District - Report accepted. They are launching a pride of place community grant fund, for the community to apply for new little projects.

The Parish Councillors raise their concerns about the new Pylons proposed. District Cllr Penny is planning on filing a motion to express his reservations.

Community centre – Accounts not seen for a few months. These have been requested. A follow up meeting from the AGM has been set up (due to member concerns) and Cllr Cutler will attend – verbal report by Cllr Cutler

Recreation ground - Bricks have been replaced. Probation people are cutting the grass, as Vertas did not cut the grass as contracted – verbal report by Cllr Avis

Village hall – They are in the process of upgrading, roof tiles are being replaced, new toilets are being decorated – verbal report by Cllr Price

**06 – Pre-school planning**

No new updates, this will be chased again.

**07 – Community infrastructure**

There was a meeting with the Port One representative, they offered to put money towards the community. The village hall was suggested by Cllr Avis.

**08 – Port one**

There was discussion of them putting in a new park/meadows. They have brought some land and want to donate it to Gt.Blakenham Parish Council. They want to change the road layout and add an exit from the dual carriageway straight to the site.

**09 – Meeting dates**

18th of September 8 o’clock is a planning and finance. October 2nd Parish meeting. 6th November 8’oclock is a planning and finance. Monday 4th December Parish meeting.

**10 – Standing orders**

No changes.

**11 – 30mph Speed stickers**

Somebody to liaise with community speed watch. Cllr Avis will liaise with Barham.

**12 – Recreation ground**

The event was very successful; Cllr Avis would like to ask for the 5th of May 2024 to be the next event and for the Parish Council to donate again.

**13 – Correspondence**

Village hall clock – Clerk to contact diocese about a horologist.

Footpath closure, Exeter Road - The footpath has never been registered and it has never been an official footpath. Planning enforcement need proof that it has been in use for at least 20 years.

NALC membership – Cllr Wells raises that SALC is for clerks, but NALC is for Councillors. Cllr Wells feels that Cllrs should have access to NALC. Clerk will investigate and feedback.

Conservation area – No update.

Graffiti – Has been reported.

**14 – Highways**

Cllr Studd reported that there was not a lot Highways could do.

**15 – Previous agreed actions**

Sid’s device – Paperwork will be dealt with during august by the Clerk.

Police forum – Cllr Wells has reported that the current community liaison officer is stepping down.

The Parish Council is sad to say that Cllr Reach is resigning from the Parish Council. We are very disappointed as she has been a great asset to the parish as well as her communications with the police over speeding.

Meeting ended at 9:30pm