**CLAYDON & WHITTON PARISH COUNCIL**   
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MINUTES

CLAYDON AND WHITTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 15th April 2024, 7:30pm held at Claydon and Barham Village Hall, Norwich Road, Claydon, IP6 0DF

**PRESENT**: Cllrs: S Price, P Avis

RFO: D Patel

**CHAIRPERSON**: Cllr C Cutler

**Opening**

**01 – Apologies for absences**

Cllrs C Studd and S Wells – Apologies accepted.

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

No declaration of interest.

**03 – Minutes**

Minutes from 5th of February – Accepted

**04 - Public Forum**

Members of the public 01, 02 and 03 – dangerous parking on St. Peters court. Although residents complain, it’s very rare for the Suffolk County council to arrive in time for any prosecution. Member of public 01 is having to park over his own driveway to stop anyone else from blocking it. Member of the public 01 is looking for a number to talk to someone about it. It is costing money to contact anyone. Concerns about emergency vehicles struggling to get through. Clerk to investigate getting liens drawn/hatchets drawn in front of the dropped curb. Suffolk highways to be contacted about it.

**05 – Emergency planning**

IP/23/00740/REM - Land North Of Railway & East Of Henley Road. – We continue to share our concerns about the impact of the traffic on Claydon and Barham church lanes, and the rest of the village.

**06 – Reports**

District – Report received and filed.

SCC – Report received and filed.

Community centre - Report received and filed. Cllrs asked to see the quotes for making the building safe and compliant with current regulation. Cllr Cutler proposed and Cllr Avis seconded. Council members agreed to the funding but will vote on the company used at the next PC meeting.

Recreation ground – talking to builders on the Exeter Road development, donating tons of soil to the recreation ground soil for the BMX track. Clerk to request for Vertas to cut the recreation ground grass before the bank holiday weekend. Woodchips being collected. Gutter has been done for the changing ground; doors are scheduled for the next Friday after this meeting. Memorial bench, Rowan tree to be replaced. Funday on the 6th of May, 12pm to 4pm.

Village hall – General maintenance, looking for someone to repair the roof in the bathroom. Floors have been tidied up.

Finance – AGM to be booked for next meeting.

**07 – Feedback from police forum**

Cllr Wells is absent.

**08 – Community infrastructure**

Village hall – to be approached about any work needed.

Recreation ground – to be approached about any work needed.

Community centre – to be approached about any work needed.

Double yellows – Community feedback required.

Allotments – Awaiting on SCC response.

Questionnaire – To be put on the Facebook page.

**09 – Pre-school planning**

Cllr Wells is absent – no update. Staff from the pre-school attended the meeting. Assurances were given that they are still operating under the current lease, and we are only going through a solicitor to ensure the next lease works for the pre-school and the villages. They wanted to replace their current shed and needed permissions. Clerk to send written permission to the pre-school.

**10 – Land search update**

The Allotments belong to Mid-suffolk.

The conservation area not registered.

Recreation ground owned by Parish Council.

**11 – Correspondence**

Speeding through Old Ipswich road/Old Norwich Road and illegal access through bus gate – ANPR scheme on hold. Legislation to enforce the bus gate has not made it through to parliament and not to be seen or considered until next election.

Claydon Church - The Claydon church are still maintaining the land until 2025, there is no plan to give it to the PC yet.

Dangerous parking – Discussed in public forum.

Purchase of speed indicator device – Has been purchased, Clerk is just waiting for paperwork.

Streetlights – Still investigating why one street light costs more than the others.

Recreation ground - The account is opened in the CCLI, two signatories needed, cllr avis and price.

**12 – Items for next meeting**

June meeting date agreed for 10th of June.

Meeting ended at 9:40pm