

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of Clawton Parish Council held in the Parish Hall on 9th May 2023 at 7.00pm.

These minutes are subject to amendment at the next meeting.

Present: Parish Cllrs: Irene Ellis Alison Sharp, Roger Mitchell, Adrian Mitchell, Nigel Stacey, Maralyn Bailey, Chair Paul Grafton,
Sally Whitehead, Clerk
Guest Graham Hames

1. Apologies:

2. Minutes of the last meeting: Minutes of the meeting of 13th March 2023 were agreed and signed by the Chairman Paul Grafton

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Chair Paul Grafton gave an update on the Clerks KPI's, she achieved 81%, the only downfall was the noticeboard

3.2 The Clerk spoke to the school re Clawfest and passed on the Councillors good wishes. They were aware there was already a defibrillator up at the Parish Hall.

3.3 An updated Code of conduct had been e mailed to all Councillors, it's the Model from DALC ready for adoption. It is accurate however the Clerk cannot change the title to include the word Clawton. Chair Paul Grafton said he can do that, prior to updating it on the Website. The other 3 financial documents are for use of the Clerk and only 1 be included on the Website as the others are just guides. The Western power document has not yet been received electronically by the clerk which may also be a valuable addition to the Website. The rules for recording meetings were found, Cllr Sharp suggested adding a section about the use of social media Clerk to check this and bring it to the next meeting before any decisions are made.

3.4 Clerk contacted multiple people re the incorrectly placed pole in the village in front of the notice board, which has now been wired up, they have yet again said they will look into getting it moved.

3.5 Clerk has spoken to Airband re the misplaced pole in the village centre which has not been connected up, once again Faye is looking into why it hasn't yet been moved away from in front of the noticeboard. No news yet

3.6 Cllr Sharp asked if the bus timetable could be put on the noticeboard, a debate followed on where the bus stops were actually were

4. Planning

4.1 1/0028/2023/FUL silage pit cover Gunnacot Farm Passed

4.2 1/0344/2023/AGMB Little Blagdon Stables, Conversion of agricultural building to a dwelling house. No comment

4.3 Proposed upgrade to existing radio base station at Kennacot farm. No comment

4.4 1/0233/2023/FUL Solar Farm Entrance Surfacing an existing access route. Granted permission

4.5 1/0301/2023/FUL Erection of extension to existing agricultural building Lower Larkworthy Farm No comment

Entrance near Folly Farm update – The Clerk spoke to the enforcement officer, the owner has been served with an order to remove all buildings, if this does not happen within a given time further legal action will be taken.

5. Highways

5.1 Cllr Roger Mitchell enquired about the drainage at Corfcott, the Clerk explained that without more recent photos she was unable to go back to highways.

Members should PLEASE continue to report problems with local roads and potholes, the number to call is
0345 155 1004

6. Finance

6.1 Cheques for Clerks bonus, Clerks wages, Zurich Insurance, DALC, Irene Ellis Clarion Expenses, Terina Ellacott Annual Audit, Anne Mitchell Coronation cake. Parish Hall Hire

6.2 Clerk appealed all fines and had them all removed from the tax people

7AOB

7.1 Clerk queried price of Clarion printing when Chair is away. HATS theatre offered to print it at a lower cost. Chair suggested Clerk spoke to the editor Alison.

7.2 Request to trace Jenny McNair who used to live at Old South Beer, unfortunately no one could help.

7.3 Chair Paul Grafton announced Cllr Irene Ellis retirement from the Parish Council after many years of service and thanked her. Irene said she had quite enjoyed it. Everyone wished her well.

Chair Paul Grafton called the meeting to a close

Date of the next full Parish Council meeting is on Monday 10th July at 7.30pm

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