**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CLYST ST GEORGE**

**PARISH COUNCIL**

**held on 10 July 2024 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall**

**Present: Chairman: Cllr J Manser**

 **Councillors: Cllrs. Bragg, Marks, Bowen, Stubbs**

 **District Councillor Cllr Howe**

 **Clerk: Mrs. Cathryn Newbery**

 **Members of Public - 0**

1. **Apologies for Absence**: Cllrs Piper and Ward
2. **Approval of Minutes** – Unanimous approval.
3. **Declaration of Interest –** Cllr Bragg - Item 8; Cllr Manser Item 10
4. **Open Forum** – none
5. **District Councillor’s Report –**

Cllr Howe reported that there were plans expected in relation to land owned by three local farmers for a link road on the A3052, there had been discussions with East Devon District Council and these were ongoing. The proposed application was for an EIA Scoping Opinion request for the development of up to 2000 dwellings, together with services and facilities, on and off site highway improvements, active travel connections and associated ancillary uses including open space, green infrastructure and drainage attenuation. A discussion ensued on this proposal. And Cllr Howe confirmed that more information would be available once the Government reported back on the NPFF.

**6. Emails received –** **Clerk to Report**

* Emails from East Devon District Council with Town and Parish Newsletters
* Rural Bulletins received three times, latest being 23 July 2024.
* Email from Exe Estuary with their Newsletter and Review
* Email from Bishops Clyst re Clyst St Mary and Sowton Neighbourhood Plan
* Statement from East Devon District Council re Lithium Batteries and E bikes/scooters
* Email from member of the public with concerns over Planning Application 23/0348/FUL
* Email from Helen Selby re B3179 Woodbury Road, Clyst St George
* Email with yellow warning of thunderstorms.
* Flood Risk Management Newsletter
* Devon Community Newsletter Forum 2024
* Email from Environmental Health re Public Spaces Protection Order
* Two emails from Highways re Temporary Traffic Order Clyst Road
* All these emails have been circulated.

**7. Finance -Clerk to Report**

 The Clerk confirmed the current financial position had been circulated. There is a credit

 balance of £3711.86 in the current account and £1212.42 in the CIL Account. The

 following accounts are listed for settlement:

 Gallagher Insurance Renewal £671.11

 AB Grounds Maintenance £259.88

 Village Hall for May Meeting £ 18.00

 Exe Estuary Management to DCC £123.00

 Clerk’s salary and expenses in the sum of £375.83

 Total accounts to be paid £1447.82

 **Unanimous Vote on acceptance of the accounts and settlement of the said accounts.**

 **8. Transfer of Land – update of current position**

 The Clerk reported that the registration of the transfer is with the Land Registry and we

 await that formality to be completed.

 **9. New Open Space: Fencing & Footpath Diversion**

Cllr Manser reported that he had not heard anything further on the footpath diversion and he had delivered the notice. Cllr Manser opened a discussion on the fencing and the costs thereof. Cllr Bowen had obtained estimates for the gorilla fencing and the treatment of bottom of the posts was discussed, at a possible cost of £7 per post. There was a 20 year guarantee. The Clerk agreed to contact Cartridges with regard to the present position, and whether it was possible for the work on the fencing to be commenced before winter sets in.

**10. Planning**

**23/0348/FUL & 23/0358/FUL & 23/0349/FUL Land adjoining Shepherds Court, Lower Lane, Ebford (Amendment)**

Cllr Manser reported that these applications had already been objected to at a previous meeting, together with many Ebford parishioners. Cllr Manser enquired whether anyone wished to add anything further in view of the modifications. He asked Cllr Howe whether the heavy volume of traffic passing by a listed cottage would assist in any decision. Cllr Howe said this would not be considered. A discussion ensued relating to any flooding in mid winter and whether the developers could assure us that the detailed plans were based on the impermeable clay soil.

**24/1163/LBC Lower Ebford Barton, Ebford**

Cllr Manser reported that this was a cob wall house, and the gable end needs putting back in order. A short discussion took place, and it was agreed this decision should be left to the Conservation Officer to deal with.

 **Councillors’ Reports**

**Cllrs Bowen**  had nothing to report.

**Cllr Stubbs** reported the Dog Show took place and was a great success. She said it was a good community event and had raised money. She commented on the cutting of grass along by the George and Dragon, and the culvert under the Hall being dealt with.

**Cllr Marks** reported that wooden statues were reported missing from Darts Village and this had taken place following the departure of an encampment in the area. Cllr Bragg confirmed there had been succinct action taken by Nigel Wills to evict the travellers.

**Cllr Bragg** reported that Chris Owen was dealing with the shelving/ painting of the Phone Box, he had got the receipt for paint and this would be produced for payment.

**Cllr Manser** reported that Bishops Clyst have paid a subscription to Peter Skelton towards the continuance of Clyst Valley News and he felt that Clyst St George & Ebford Parish Council could make a similar gesture based on the number of copies delivered in the area. A discussion ensued, and it was agreed that the Parish Council subscribe to Clyst Valley News in the sum of £300 for this year only.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 9.05 pm.

Next meeting 11 September 2024.