

Clifton Reynes & Newton Blossomville Joint Parish Council
Meeting held on 16th October 2019
At the Reading Room, Newton Blossomville.

Present:

Louise Evans (Chair)
 Gerry Cronin
 Andrew Brown
 Len Greenwood
 Thomas Walker (Clerk)

Apologies: None.

In attendance: One member of the public.

| | Minutes | Actions |
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| 001 | Apologies No apologies for absence were received. | |
| 002 | Declarations of Interest No declarations of interest were made. | |
| 003 | Minutes of Previous Meetings & Matters Arising The minutes of the meeting held on 17 th July 2019 was agreed as a true record and signed by the chair. | |
| 004 | Representations from the Public There were no representations from members of the public on any items on the agenda. | |
| 005 | Finance Papers The finance update as previously circulated was noted. Clarifications were requested on transfers between JPC accounts. The payment of £14.50 in postage costs to Councillor Cronin and £13.14 in website registration costs to the Clerk was agreed. | |
| 006 | Website The domain has now been successfully transferred to the new registrar. The next step is for hosting to be bought. Approval for this in the region of £2 per month was agreed. Once the hosting is in place the Clerk will begin constructing the site. | TW |
| 007 | Hardmead Road Sign Councillor Evans reported that MK Council are looking at the damaged sign this week. This would appear to confirm that it is MKC property. The Clerk's report to MKC stressed the significance of retaining the brickwork, which is from a historic local railway bridge. | |
| 008 | Speed Reduction Measures Options The Clerk noted from his experience progressing speed reduction measures in Haversham that MK Council policy is currently against solutions which obstruct the flow of traffic, such as chicanes, and in favour of solutions such as interactive signage and painted surfaces. Councillor Evans has been trying to contact MK Council for a meeting on options. The Clerk to forward MKC contacts from Haversham discussions. Councillor Evans will invite JPC Councillors to the meeting once it is arranged. Councillor Evans has been discussing bringing Community Speedwatch to Clifton & Newton with the PSCO. The PSCO can get the camera for the JPC but Councillors will need training on its use. | |
| 009 | Unspent Excess Reserves Options A suggestion was made to purchase fruit trees for the allotments. A further suggestion was made to use the reserves towards maintenance of the Millennium Field. Quotes to be sourced for this. | |
| 010 | Recruitment of New Councillor | |

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| | A vacancy has arisen in the Clifton ward of the parish council following Councillor Rees' resignation. Councillor Evans to send a draft advert for the vacancy to the Clerk for approval then post to the Clifton noticeboards this week. | LE |
| 011 | Parking Issues at Newton Blossomville School The police have dealt with the dispute which occurred regarding parking at the school in Newton. Warnings were issued to offending drivers. | |
| 012 | Closure of Barclays Account The closure of the Barclays bank account following its replacement by the Metro account was approved. | |
| 013 | Chair's Report The Supplementary Fund application for the Clifton village signs was approved last week. This requires a match-funding contribution from the JPC of £625, which was agreed previously. The Clerk to confirm the JPC's decision to proceed with MKC and forward the three quotes on the laptop to the Chair. | TW |
| 014 | Items for Discussion & the Next Agenda The following items were discussed and proposed for the next agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor responsibilities. • CCTV – Clerk to look into process for pursuing this. • 2020 meeting dates & pre-meeting procedure. <p>The meeting closed at 08:11.</p> <p>The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday 22nd January at the Reading Room.</p> | TW |

Chair's Signature.....

Date.....

Finance update provided to meeting:

Barclays:

No funds. To be closed.

Metro bank: