

Great Clifton Parish Council

Draft Minutes of a meeting of Great Clifton Parish Council held on Thursday 15 November 2018

Councillors Present: Malcolm Fee (Chair), Irene Owens, Celia Perry, Robert McKenzie, Jo Kirkbride (Vice Chair), Evelyn Fitzmaurice, Alyson Smith, Jonathan Coles, Angela Meek (Clerk)

1 Member of public present

- 1) **Welcome:** MF welcomed all to the meeting
Apologies for absence: Noreen Walker, Joe Holliday, Phil Tibble,
- 2) **Declaration of Interest:** None to note
- 3) **Public Participation:** None to note
- 4) **Minutes of last meeting:**
 - 4.1 Councillors Present: misspelling of Jo Kirkbride – corrected and initialled by MF
9.9 d) David Gates, not Bill Gates – corrected and initialled by MF
 - 4.2 The chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the General Council meeting held on 18 October 2018 as a true record
 - 4.3 Matters arising from minutes of 18 October 2018 – none to note
- 5) **Chairman's Announcements:**
 - 5.1 MF spoke to PCSO regarding a speed restriction being installed and was informed that speed restrictions were only installed in areas with numerous serious incidents. To note for future reference.
- 6) **Clerks Report:**
 - 6.1 All actions completed from 18 October 2018
 - 6.2 Vat returns payment received – (see 12. Financial Matters).
 - 6.3 Webpages to be updated – still not completed – JK, AM to meet up to train and import documents – JK to resend email with training and instructions of uploading.
 - 6.4 NW email concerning the hedge from Bowflatts to Greengarth being overgrown – I reported this and was given reference number W1880939932 – Response came back as not their responsibility – AM to contact Home Group
 - 6.5 reported overgrown hedge on access road to Derwent Vale Road, reference number W188093942 – Response came back as not their responsibility – AM to contact Home Group
- 7) **Village Hall (RM Report)**
 - 7.1 At the Village Hall Committee meeting it was decided to use some of the £1000.00 donation money from the GCPC to purchase a PA system and a set of disco lights to encourage more use of the hall for parties and events, the remainder of the money would be used for the running costs of the Hall.
 - 7.2 The walls in the main hall have been repainted and the curtains on the stage have been turned for ease of opening and closing.
 - 7.3 We are looking at relaying the flagstones at the front of the hall.
 - 7.4 also was discussed was future project for the Hall
- 8) **Allotments (RM Report)**
 - 8.1 There have been complaints about chickens running loose again and all belonging to the same plot – AM to send a letter to the licence holder on behalf of the parish council to remind them of the rules.
 - 8.2 A notice has been put up to inform everyone that the water has been turned off until March 2019.
- 9) **Village / Parish Matters**
 - 9.1 **Painting of the bus shelters discussed** – MF has purchased the paint and delivered to Solway House. PT to inform Ian Alcock for the Allerdale apprentices to begin work.
 - 9.2 **Clear up of bonfire site discussed** (PT report) he arranged for the white goods and mattresses dumped in the field to be removed. It was reported that more rubbish had been had been dumped and the team went out again, they were met with 'resistance' from some youths were asked to leave it until after bonfire night. AS reported that the fence had since been flattened allowing for anyone to dump in the field – AM to write to Home Group to reinstate the fence.

- 9.3 **Rose Villa update** – PT, AM contacted Kerry McCartney for an update – Kerry emailed the owner of the property on 31st October 2018 but to date she has had no response. The matter is on her list to discuss with Simon Sharp (Planning Implementation Manager) and she will update me with their intentions once this meeting has been held. Also reported water running off the land to the back of Rose Villa to Kerry – this could be from a water leak – AM to contact Water Company
- 9.4 **Lease of the Gt Clifton Rugby field** – spoke to Peter Knapton, Estates Manager as to the lease of the rugby pitch and adjacent playing field – ABC are happy to consider the transfer of the land under the Community Asset Transfer. The lease could be done on freehold basis or a long term lease. The standard term are that ABC would in the first year of the transfer make a payment of 100% of the cost of maintaining the land (approximately £6250) and 50% of this figure in the second year – all agreed to proceed with a Freehold Lease for both sites – **AM** to contact PK to begin proceedings – Investing in a sit on mower and a strimmer were discussed to look after all green areas, RM has sought prices from Lloyds of Penrith for equipment. - All agreed that in the longer term it would be cheaper to own this equipment and hire a handyman rather than tender for the work to be carried out by companies. **RM** to talk to Mr Elliot to see if the mower could be stored there – **RM** to precede with purchase the equipment.

9.5 **AOB**

- a) Flooding at the Pow near Rose Villa – CP rang about this and I have reported blocked drains to County.
- b) David Owens has carried out repairs to the seat at the teenage seating area and handed in an invoice for the work totalling £30.00 – all agreed to the payment
- c) JC – photo of fireman’s hose dumped – to report as fly tipping
- d) Notice board fallen down on Greengarth – MF to reset the posts in cement and to redo insert
- e) Flooding near the bridge at Camerton – blocked drain or because of a full river? RM, MF to look at

10) **Correspondence**

To note items of correspondence received since the last meeting

- 10.1 CALC Meeting invitation and 2017/18 finance report
- 10.2 Letter from Great Clifton Methodist Chapel – annual donation request – all agreed to payment of £200.00
- 10.3 Letter form Great Clifton Old Folks Reunion Tea – annual donation request - all agreed to payment of £200.00
- 10.4 Letter Great Clifton Village Hall - annual donation request – all agreed to payment of £1000.00
- 10.2 Various brochures on table

11) **Planning Applications**

- 11.1 None to note

12) **Financial Matters**

Income

- 1) VAT Return Payment £1,381.90
- Bank Statement No. 262 £13,833.22
- Dated: 31 October 2018

Outgoing

- 2) Poppy Appeal (Wreaths) £68.00 (000633)
- MF Expenses (paint) £107.92 (000634)
- Internet Security (2yr period) £50.58 (000635)
- GC Methodist Chapel £200.00 (000636)
- GC Village Hall (room hire) £270.00 (000637)
- R David Owens (invoice) £30.00 (000638)
- GC Old Folks Reunion Tea £200.00 (000639)
- GC Village Hall (donation) £1000.00 (000640)

- 3) ABC Precept Statement received on 7th November 2018 – Finance to forward Band D dwelling within the parish in early January 2019 to allow a calculation for the precept. To be completed and returned to the Finance Department by 18 January 2019.

13) **Items for next meeting**

- Rose Villa
 Playing field & Rugby Pitch
 Invite Marni Jackson to the November meeting
 New Projects Planning

Signed by the Chair:

Meeting closed at (8:25pm)

14) **Next Meeting**

20 December 2018