LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY, 1 JUNE 2009 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT

Cllr J Couzens in the Chair

Cllrs R Bellamy, De Vaux Balbirnie, J Dunnett, Miss L Gray, B Leatherdale, M Skeels, Mrs E Ward, P Watson and Mrs A Wood

There were three residents present.

ITEMS RAISED BY RESIDENTS

None

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Carter, Cutting and Dass MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 MAY 2009

There were approved and signed by the Chairman

MATTERS ARISING

(a) Speed restrictions, Holland Road Members made various suggestions for signs to try to restrict the speed along Holland Road from the railway bridge to Tan Lane. These included concealed entrance, camera signs, 50 mph signs and it was agreed to ask

County Highways for their advice.

MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD

- (a) Internet nothing to report
- (b) Highway Matters Cllr Watson reported on his communications with County Highways who advised that they cannot install painted 30mph roundels in The Street as these are only used where there is no street lighting. Cllr Skeels advised that Bertram Avenue, Alan Drive and Christopher Drive have been resurfaced.
- (c) Affordable Housing Mrs Groborz had emailed saying that we could have a presentation from the two housing associations at a Council meeting and members agreed that this was the best way forward and agreed to ask for this at the September meeting
- (d) Parish Archives on hold until building work has been completed
- (e) Youth and Community Building Extension the revised plans were agreed and the architect to be asked to go ahead with Planning Consent.

POLICE/CRIME PREVENTION

Cllr Wood reported there had been a disturbance at Plough Corner; nuisance vehicle in Tan Lane; noise nuisance at a party in St Osyth Road; a burglary in Elm Road; theft of a motor vehicle in The Street and Meadowview Park; theft from a motor vehicle in Holland Road and The Street; criminal damage in Holland Road and a road traffic collision in Harwich Road

WORKING PARTY REPORTS

Maintenance and Services

Cllr Watson reported the installation of a series of weather proof power sockets in the compound area at the rear of the pavilion to enable electrical equipment to be used safely out of doors. There must be access for emergency vehicles to the Parish Fields complex at all times. There have been occasions recently when parked vehicles have blocked the entrance road so in an attempt to prevent this, no waiting yellow lines and Keep Clear signs have been painted on the road surface. He had sent a contractor to look at the hedge in Weeley Road but Cllr De Vaux Balbirnie had cut it back himself. Payment from an insurance company has been received for the damage to the kerbs and verge whilst the vehicle was delivering goods to the ECC building.

Street Lights

Cllr Ward reported two lights not working, one in Holland Road and one in Galloway Drive.

Footpaths – nothing to report

Planning and Development

Cllr Wood reported on the following applications -

09/00418/FUL Single storey front extension at Engaines CP School, St Osyth Road East

It was agreed to write to TDC with no objection

09/00483/FUL Change of use from agricultural farm yard to temporary storage compound for utility works at Bovills Hall, St Osyth Road West

It was agreed to write to TDC with no objection

Applications determined:

09/00259/FUL - 67 St Osyth Road East - refusal

09/00413/FUL-1B Stonehall Drive (side and rear extension) – permitted development

09/00480/FUL – 1B Stonehall Drive (lounge extension) - permitted development

TDALC

Cllr Leatherdale reported that at the last meeting a discussion had been held on the park and stride idea for schools to decrease the number of cars parked outside and all schools are to have a travel plan in place by 2011

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH FIELDS AND YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Cllr Bellamy reported that the football season concluded with the Tournament on 23/24 May.

There was excellent weather and many favourable comments from the Tournament organisers, players and supporters regarding the pitches and facilities at Plough Corner. The Classic Car Show on 30 May also enjoyed excellent weather – a much larger show than last year with a steady stream of visitors throughout the day. The big event of the season - the Home and Garden Show will be held on 6/7 June. The Care Boot season starts on Sunday, 14 June.

Cllr Watson is arranging for surfacing to be put down at the Home and Garden Show to see if it will be useful. The Parish Council is to arrange for servicing of the CCTV cameras at a cost of £108.

VILLAGE HALL

Cllr Dunnet reported that the Spring Fair was very successful.

TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL

Nothing to report.

Cllr De Vaux Balbirnie reported on the opening of the Weeley Willow Park Resource Centre and said it was an excellent facility.

CORRESPONDENCE

Essex County Council Making the Links

Mobile Library Service

Tendring District Council Forward Plan 92

LDF Leaflets

Conservation Area leaflets

EALC Local Council Administration Book

The purchase of the updated version was proposed by Cllr De Vaux Balbirnie, seconded by Cllr Bellamy and agreed

D W Lighting Street works – passed to Cllr <u>Watson</u>

EPLA Newsletter FINANCE AND CHEQUES AUTHORISATION

The up-to-date balance of the Council's funds were noted

Receipts:

Precept £30,600.00

Parish Fields £108.50 Wincanton £461.00

Cheques issued:	£
May Gurney Ltd	129.82
Mr L Lane (SF92, PCM90)	621.00
HomeView Surveillance	216.20
Allianz Insurance plc	4698.33
Kendall Contract Services (grass)	379.73
Kendall Contract Services (grounds)	248.63

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Ward - what is happening with the Parish Plan. To be placed on the Agenda

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30 pm

The next meeting will be held at the Youth and Community Centre at 7.30 pm Monday, 6 June 2009..

Chairman 6 July 2009