

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE ON  
MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 2015 AT 7.30PM.

**PRESENT**

Councillor J Cutting (chairman)

Councillors De Vaux Balbirnie, Mrs M Balbirnie, Miss L Gray, Mrs J Lovell, M Reed, Mrs J Rowland,  
S Rowland, R Smith, Mrs H Smith, J Smith-Daye and B Ward.

District Councillor J Bray

11 Residents

The Residents were given time to talk before the meeting began.

**Residents Issues**

No issues this month.

**1. APOLOGIES:** Councillor D Reed, District Councillor M Brown, Essex County Councillor Erskine.

**2. DECLARATIONS**

There were no declarations made.

**3. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

The Chairman proposed the updated minutes from last month, they were agreed by all and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**4. URGENT MATTERS ARISING**

The Chairman stated that when emails were sent, Councillors should always reply to say that the email was received. He also said that if anyone was on a Committee and was expecting someone to contact them regarding meetings or tasks, they should contact someone else on the Committee to see if they had heard anything, rather than just wait. This is to guard against being missed out from any news or progress. Councillor De Vaux Balbirnie reported that he would now pre-arrange Planning Committee meetings on the last Friday of the month at 6pm just before the next meeting, so that applications could be discussed. Organising a date will save sending emails later in the month which could get missed. If anyone can't make it they should make arrangements to let Councillor De Vaux Balbirnie know.

The Chairman stated that he was happy for anyone to knock on his door or phone him with any village issues.

**5. MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD**

**(a) Highway Matters**

Councillor Smith reported that orange lines had appeared along Holland Road. These have not been laid by Tendring District or Essex County Council, but by contractors in connection with the edging repairs. The Clerk was asked to contact Essex County Councillor Erskine to make enquiries.

Councillor De Vaux Balbirnie is to speak to Tendring District Council about the overgrown verges.

Councillor M Reed enquired if anyone can chop back the trees to enable the lights to be seen.

The chairman reported that he was in contact with the Tree surgeon in connection with cutting back the Horse Chestnut trees on the Green, and along Harwich Road.

**6. POLICE/CRIME PREVENTION**

Councillor J Rowland stated that there was no crime report available this month, and PC Haycraft may no longer be available to Little Clacton Parish as the Police Service was being restructured in Tendring.

Councillor J Rowland is to put a letter together with Councillor M Reed to complain about the PCSO situation.

**7. WORKING PARTY REPORTS (a) Maintenance and services** The Chairman reported that a maintenance and services committee meeting had been held. Councillor S Rowland reported that the Contractor had not completed the task that was given to him. The Clerk was asked to check in the Parish office for contractors public liability schemes. The Chairman said that a further committee

meeting before the next parish meeting was necessary, and he would report back at the next Parish Meeting.

**(i) Street lights** Councillor M Reed reported that A and J Lighting contract was due to expire in March 2016. He will discuss this at the next meeting. He asked to meet A&J Lighting representatives to discuss details. The Chairman agreed that he could. Councillor M Reed reported lights out at MeadowView Park and enquired about the Mersey Homes development at Springfield Gardens, and whether the lights were owned by Essex County or Little Clacton Parish or were private.

**(ii) Footpaths**

No problems this month.

**(b) Planning and Development (I) Applications:**

15/01565/FUL Mrs Louise Lawrence	Vehicular access and hard standing.	77 Holland Road Little Clacton <b>No Objections</b>
15/01576/LUPROP Mr & Mrs M Dixon	Proposed loft conversion including front & rear facing windows & side facing roof lights.	4 Springfield Meadows Little Clacton <b>No Objections</b>
15/01561/OUT Mr Paul Hart	Erection of dwellings and minor access way off modified existing highway access.	Stone Hall 55 London Road Little Clacton <b>7 For and 5 against</b> <b>No Objections</b>
15/01573/DETAIL Balkerne Gate Developments (South East ) Ltd	Erection of 3 dwellings(one house and two bungalows) with garages and associated parking facilities	Land to South West Junction Homing Road and Talbot Road Little Clacton <b>No Objections</b>
15/01307/FUL Mr Stephen Howard	Erection of 4 bed dwelling. (Following removal of mobile home)	Howards Nurseries Batemans Lane Little Clacton <b>No Objections as lawful use had already been granted.</b>
15/01475/FUL Mr & Mrs R Amor	Rear and side extension.	The Willows 32 Weeley Road Little Clacton <b>No Objections</b>
15/01550/OUT Mr N & J Barrington Fuller	Residential development of up to 93 dwellings and 8 almshouses.	Land at The Street, Little Clacton <b>Refusal – see below:</b>
<p>1. Despite reduction in numbers the application is not sustainable and fails to conform with National Planning Framework (2012).</p> <p>2. It does not conform to the core principles of paragraph 17 of the National Planning Framework as defined in the refusal 24/7/15.</p> <p>3. The application is still of a size to be out of character with the village setting and looks to create urbanisation of the centre of the village.</p>		

4. The applicant suggests a sustainable infiltration drainage system to alleviate the flood risk but gives an alternative if this is proved unviable, to use existing ditches. This is totally unacceptable.

5. The applicant has not in our view addressed enough changes to satisfy paragraph 134 of the National Planning Framework as in the Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas and Tendring District Council Local Plan.

6. Some ribbon development might be considered if it is in keeping with the village and street scene.

15/01454/FUL Mr & Mrs Butcher	Two storey extension to front elevation and alterations to elevations	Bystairs 19 Weeley Road Little Clacton <b>No Objections</b>
15/01474/FUL Kinfauns Veterinary Centre Limited	Two storey side extension.	Kinfauns Veterinary Centre The Street Little Clacton <b>No Objections</b>

(i). Determinations :

15/01137/FUL Refusal - Full 05.10.2015 Delegated Decision	Construction of four detached houses following demolition of existing glasshouse.	Land adjacent West View Batemans Lane Little Clacton
15/01038/FUL Approval - Full 16.10.2015 Delegated Decision	Erection of three side facing dormers.	Ashleigh Tan Lane Little Clacton
15/01050/FUL Approval - Full 16.10.2015 Delegated Decision	Extension and alteration.	99 The Street Little Clacton

**(iii) Local Plan**

Councillor Smith – Daye reported that he had attended a meeting during September to discuss the figures in the 'Peter Brett' Report. The next Local plan meeting is at the Town Hall on 12<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm.

**(iv) Neighbourhood Plan**

Councillor M Reed reported that the Neighbourhood Plan is on the back burner at the moment. It was decided that we continue to leave the Neighbourhood Plan on the agenda.

**7.c) Finance and Organisation of Business**

The Chairman reported that next month he would be recommending a virement of underspent budgets to be allocated to the capital scheme.

**8. INTERNET**

The Chairman reported that the website continues to be updated. The Police messaging service has been added. He asked the Clerk to check that the correct Standing Orders are shown.

**9. TDALC**

Councillor M Reed reported that the next meeting is on November 25th, he requested that Councillors email any questions that they would like him to put forward.



Cheques Issued:

EON (Oct)	381.32
Kendall Commercial Ltd (Sept)	722.13
R Bellamy (Website Sep)	100.00
Clacton Business Services (Qtr 3)	34.50
HMRC	73.00
Tendring Eldercare (Sep)	100.00
Kendall Commercial Ltd (Oct)	<u>722.13</u>

**17. ITEMS DEEMED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman reported that after next months meeting there will be a short meeting in CAMERA.

**18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor M Balbirnie reported that she had spoken to the British Legion about the War Memorial and they were happy for it to be cleaned. The Chairman stated that he would be able to go on Friday at 2.30pm, Councillor M Reed and Councillor R Smith agreed to meet him. Councillor M Balbirnie and Councillor S Rowland would be able to help at the weekend, ready for the Sunday Memorial Service. Councillor De Vaux Balbirnie reminded the Planning Committee that there would be a Parish Planning Committee Meeting on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm before the Parish meeting on the Monday. There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:15pm.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 7th December 2015 at 7.30pm at the Youth and Community Building, Parish Fields, Plough Corner.

**Chairman**  
**7th December 2015**