

CLAYWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting	
	<p>A meeting of the Clayworth Parish Council was held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 8th March 2016 at 8pm.</p> <p>Present were: Councillors J Hunter Shaw, M. Booth, L. Clark , R. Clark and P Fletcher</p> <p>Also in attendance: E. Yates (County Councillor) and C. Hollands (Clerk)</p>
130	<p>Public Session</p> <p>E. Yates (County Councillor) spoke about the County Council budget for 2016/7. Overall there is expected to be a 4% increase in Council Tax. The Police budget amongst others is expected to rise by 2%. There is some debate as to the level of spending in certain areas. One contentious issue is funding for school meals and it seems to be the so called 'squeezed middle' of the population that is being disadvantaged. The County Councillors Divisional fund is to be set at the same level as last year. The meeting expressed their thanks to Councillor Yates for the recent £50 grant given to the Art Group. The debate about the devolution process and options is ongoing and added in to this is the interest in unitary authorities.</p>
131	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>District Councillor K. Sutton and Councillor N. Fletcher.</p>
132	<p>Declarations of interest</p> <p>None</p>
133	<p>Minutes</p> <p>It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 9th February 2016, having been circulated, be accepted as a true and correct record. The Council approved the minutes and the Chairman duly signed them.</p>
134	<p>Matters arising from the minutes</p> <p>None</p>
135	<p>Finance</p> <p>a. A report on the Bank balances was noted.</p> <p>b. The following payments were agreed. Cheque number in brackets. Sharpe Group Limited – Monthly web site charge £30 (101200)</p> <p>c) The meeting discussed two Grant applications. Firstly from Clayworth PCC asking for £400 toward the upkeep of the Churchyard and grass cutting. This application was agreed and the Clerk will confirm to the PCC that the Grant is to be used for the purpose stated and the Parish Council notified if this presents a problem. The second Grant is from the Memorial Hall for £500 toward the Queens 90th Birthday celebration street party. This application was also agreed with the proviso that the Parish Council be given an itemised breakdown of the purpose to which the Grant is put.</p>

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136	<p>Correspondence</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A document from the County Council concerning the Local Minerals Plan. This is a consultation exercise. During discussion it was felt that the Village of Beckingham is the nearest point affected to Clayworth Village. 2. Information concerning the CPRE 'Best Kept Village' competition. This to be circulated to Councillors for information. 3. Information concerning War Memorial Cleaning Services. This to be circulated to Councillors for information. 4. The Parish Council agreed to note various other items of correspondence that will be circulated to Councillors for information.
137	<p>Memorial Hall</p> <p>A further meeting of the Memorial Hall Committee is scheduled for the 9th March. The finances are currently in a healthy position and a further report will be made at the next Parish Council Meeting.</p>
138	<p>Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations</p> <p>Details of the events envisaged are still being discussed and will be reported on as they become clearer.</p>
139	<p>Planning Applications</p> <p>16/00172/LBA The Grange, Town Street, Clayworth. Removal of a 10m squared area of masonry to the north west gable and chimney in order to install a new flue liner and reinstate with masonry that matches the original.</p> <p>16/00173/CAT. Monsaldale, Town Street, Clayworth. Prune one Willow tree by 50% to bring under control of over hanging to neighbours property and road.</p> <p>After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council has no objection to either proposal and no comment to make.</p>
140	<p>Any other business</p> <p>Councillor P. Fletcher informed the meeting that there have been a number of complaints about the condition of the footpath continuing on from St Peters Lane toward Otters Bridge and Smiths. After discussion it was agreed that the problem may be due to excessive rainfall during the winter months and that no action is foreseeable.</p>
141	<p>Date and time of the next meeting</p> <p>It was agreed that the next Parish Council meeting would be held on Tuesday 12th April 2016 in the Memorial Hall at 8pm. The Chairman closed the meeting at 855pm.</p>

Signed(Chairman).....Date