### **CLAYWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

# **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting** A Meeting of Clayworth Parish Council was held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 8pm. Present were: Councillors J Hunter Shaw (Chair), M. Booth, J Booth, M. Lynam, C Myers and P Wilkinson. Also in attendance: C. Hollands (Clerk) 123 **Public Session** A resident raised several concerns about the siting of Speed Limit signs and the condition of the footpath on Wiseton Road, in particular the stretch between The Old School House and Grays Bridge. The siting of the National Speed Limit signs encourages Traffic to increase speed whilst still within the Village envelope and prior to reaching Grays Bridge. The footpath, particularly on the West side of the road, is covered with vegetation and debris presenting a hazard to foot traffic. There was a lengthy discussion as to the problem of Speeding Traffic and the measures that have or may be taken to combat the problem in the future. It was agreed that Photos to illustrate the problems will be taken and the Clerk will report for the appropriate action to be considered and taken. A Village Facebook post will be used to see if there is any enthusiasm for relaunching a 'Speed-watch' initiative using Volunteers from the Village. There was also discussion as to the possibility of some form of Traffic Monitoring Strip and the Clerk will approach the County Councillor to see if this might be progressed. A further concern was raised about the pavement and drains in Beck Lane. The pavement dips badly causing water to collect. The ongoing roadworks in that location were discussed. The Clerk will seek to progress the problems. The Clerk spoke briefly about the Powers of the Parish Council and the role of the Clerk within the councils' activities. 124 Police Report PCSO Airey gave an update on local crime and Policing. One crime has been reported. The theft of gas cannisters from a property in Wiseton that occurred over a period of 10 days. General Crime trends in the area to be aware of are the increase in Vehicle Crimes. In particular the theft of catalytic converters for their precious metals and telephone 'scams' involving callers purporting to be Police Officers or HMRC. These calls tend to be targetted at mature individuals. 125 Apologies for absence District Councillor B. Sofflet. 126 Declarations of interest None 127 Minutes It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020, having been circulated, be accepted as a true and correct record. The Council approved the minutes and the Chairman duly signed them. 128 Matters arising from the minutes None

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# 129 Finance a. A report on the Bank balances was noted. b. The Clerk informed the Meeting that the Precept request has been submitted. There has been no feedback to date. The following payments were agreed. Cheque numbers in brackets. Sharpe Group Ltd - Monthly Website Charge £30 (101358) Clayworth Memorial Hall – Grant toward replacement windows £700 (101359) Five Villages First Responders – Grant toward service and equipment £300 (101360) c. Grass Cutting Contract. The Clerk informed the Meeting that North Notts Landscapes has quoted £60 per cut for the coming year. After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council is comfortable with the service provided and that the Contract be awarded to North Notts Landscapes for the coming year. 130 Correspondence 1. A letter from the Goodwin Trust outlining their purpose and function. The Grants given are now to be means tested. It was agreed that an entry will be put on the Village Newsletter and Facebook Page. 2. It was agreed that various items of general correspondence will be circulated to Councillors for their attention and information. 131 Bassetlaw Achievers Award To date there has been no progression. The Clerk will e mail B. Sofflet, District Councillor, to query how a suggested nomination may be progressed. 132 Chesterfield Canal Walking Festival A request for sponsors to help fund this event was discussed. It was agreed that the Parish Council does not normally fund these sort of projects and the Clerk will respond accordingly. The letter will be circulated to Councillors with a view to identifying any possible sponsors in the Village. 133 Wiseton Road Traffic Signs and Verges. The Clerk informed the Meeting that the County Council had disputed responsibility for the part of the verge identified as an issue. There followed a discussion about the state of the roadside verges being overgrown with vegetation. On the same stretch of road the positioning of National Speed Limit signs are such that they currently encourage traffic to increase speed before they are out of the Village envelope and before they reach Grays Bridge. It was agreed that photographs will be taken to illustrate the points raised and the Clerk will look to progress these with the appropriate authorities. 134 Bassetlaw Plan There was a lengthy discussion and exchange of views about the Bassetlaw Local Plan, the impact that it may have on the Village and the possible need for an appropriate response from the Parish Council. There were strong views on this subject. One being that the Parish Council may be

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underestimating the impact of the Plan on the Village and that the maximum development figure contained in the plan of 28 dwellings equates to 20% of the Villages' Housing Stock. The Clerk was of the view that as the revised Plan was discussed at the Parish Councils' September Meeting, any further action before the March Meeting would be contrary to the Parish Councils' Standing Orders and inappropriate save for a Special Resolution being placed on the Meeting Agenda and agreed. After much debate it was agreed that the matter will be resolved further and discussed at

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135	Emergency Planning.  A Working Group has met and put together a proposed Emergency Plan document. The template has some gaps that need to be completed. The Document will be circulated to Councillors and discussed at the next Parish Council Meeting. Input from the County Council as to particular responsibilities will be sought.
136	V E Day Celebrations Initiatives are progressing and there are a number of 'period' events planned.
137	Any Other Business A diversion to Footpath Number 3 is planned. The document will be circulated to Councillors for information and comment if necessary.
138	Date and time of the next meeting It was agreed that the next Parish Council meeting would be held on Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 in the Memorial Hall at 8pm. The Deputy Chairman closed the meeting at 912pm.