CLAYWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting A Meeting of Clayworth Parish Council was held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 13th September 2016 at 8pm. Present were: Councillors J. Hunter Shaw, N. Fletcher and P Fletcher. Also in attendance: K. Sutton (District Councillor) and C. Hollands (Clerk) 50 **Public Session** PCSO Dave Airey updated the Meeting on matters of interest. Four crimes were reported for the months of July and August in the Parish. On 31st July, Criminal Damage to a hay bale on Clayworth Common. 2nd August, Burglary to a shed on Town Street. A crowbar was used to effect entry but nothing taken. 13th August, Criminal Damage to crops off St Peters Lane by quad bikes or similar vehicles. 14th August, a Burglary Dwelling on Wheatley Road where personal items and building materials were stolen. PCSO Airey also gave advice on dealing with bogus traders and doorstep salesmen as Autumn can be a time of year when such activity is prevalent. Councillor Simon Greaves, Leader of Bassetlaw District Council, gave a presentation on the subject of Devolution and an update on the current situation with the Bassetlaw application to join the Sheffield City Region. 51 Apologies for absence County Councillor E. Yates. A prepared report is to be circulated to Councillors for their information. 52 **Declarations of interest** None 53 Minutes It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12th July 2016, having been circulated, be accepted as a true and correct record. The Council approved the minutes and the Chairman duly signed them. 54 Matters arising from the minutes Minute 48. The Clerk informed the meeting that the Council is now able to co-opt new Councillors as the necessary notices have been posted and the required procedures observed. 55 **Finance** A report on the Bank balances was noted. The change of signatory has been actioned and Councillor N. Fletcher is now able to act as a signatory on the Parish Council account. The following payments were agreed. Cheque number in brackets. Sharpe Group Limited – Two months website charge £60 (101219) North Notts Landscapes - Grass Cutting May and July £240 (101220) The Clerk informed the meeting that the Annual Audit has been 'signed off' by the external auditors. One matter has been raised requiring attention, that being the sequence of dealing with annual accounts and governance statements during the relevant Parish Council meeting. In future, the governance statements are to be dealt with and minuted before the annual accounts are agreed.

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56 Correspondence

- 1. Information on a forthcoming Seminar dealing with 'Tackling Fraud' to be held on 27th September. This to be circulated to Councillors for them to decide if they wish to attend.
- 2. Detail about the forthcoming Rural Conference to be held on 22nd September.
- 3. A Newsletter entitled 'Veterans Life'.
- 4. Detail from an organisation offering to provide First Aider Training. This to be circulated to Councillors for consideration.
- 5. Information concerning the impact of 'Brexit' on local councils.

It was agreed that these and various other items of correspondence be circulated to Councillors for their information.

57 St Peters Cemetery

- a) A recent complaint concerning the Cemetery and the manner of dealing with individual graves and adornments was discussed. The Clerk advised the meeting that he had responded appropriately and given the details of the PCC Chairman to the complainant for him to make contact direct.
- b) The PCC has submitted a Grant Application concerning upkeep of the Cemetery and it was agreed that the papers be circulated to Councillors and the item listed on the agenda for consideration at the next Parish Council meeting.

58 Parking on Town Street

A complaint has been received concerning the parking of vehicles on both sides of Town Street close to the Memorial Hall and the effect that this might have on emergency and agricultural vehicles wanting to pass through. It seems that one particular vehicle is in the habit of being parked opposite the Memorial Hall early in the morning and left all day. Although the driver is perfectly entitled to park his car there, it means that subsequent vehicles wishing to park cannot park on the same side of the road due to the prevalence of driveways and park opposite thereby narrowing the carriageway. It was agreed that the Clerk will pen a suitable letter explaining the problem and asking the driver to consider parking on the Memorial Hall side of the road to aid the flow of traffic. This letter to be posted on the car windscreen of the offending vehicle.

59 Any other business

District Councillor K. Sutton spoke on the subject of devolution and the District Councils' decision to go to the next stage with the Sheffield City Region proposal. The matter has been discussed at a full Council Meeting and the decision that has been taken is regarded as contentious. There is unrest as to the process that has been followed up to that stage, the wording of the questionnaire completed by residents and the summary detail of the survey undertaken that did not take into account individual likes and dislikes. It is said that residents want more time to consider the proposals and a referendum to decide further action.

Councillor Sutton also spoke about problems experienced by residents of a Gypsy encampment in Smeath Lane in integrating with the local community. Issues were discussed and Councillor Sutton asked if the Parish Councillors were interested in attending a proposed open day at the site. The invitation was declined and it was agreed that the Parish Council be kept informed of future developments.

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| 60 | Date and time of the next meeting | |
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| | It was agreed that the next Parish Council meeting would be held on Tuesday 11 th October | |
| | 2016 in the Memorial Hall at 8pm. The Chairman closed the meeting at 940pm. | |
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Signed(Chairman)...........Date