## **CLAYWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting** A meeting of the Clayworth Parish Council was held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 8pm. Present were: Councillors L. Clark, R. Clark, N Fletcher and P Fletcher Also in attendance: K. Sutton (District Councillor) and C. Hollands (Clerk) 67 **Public Session** a) In the absence of the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, Councillor L. Clark chaired the Meeting. b) K. Sutton updated the meeting on items discussed at the recent Bassetlaw Parish Forum. 'I Gas Energy' gave a presentation on the subject of fracking and its relevance in this area. Also discussed was a new Community Speed Watch initiative. A driver will now pass three signs before reaching the Speed Watch member holding the Speed Gun. It is hoped this will help defuse any confrontational issues. The same criteria used by the Police to either send out a warning letter or prosecute will still apply. 68 Apologies for absence Councillors M. Booth, J Hunter Shaw and County Councillor E. Yates. 69 **Declarations of interest** None 70 Minutes It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8th September 2015, having been circulated, be accepted as a true and correct record. The Council approved the minutes and the Chairman duly signed them. 71 Matters arising from the minutes Minute 62. It appears that no action has been taken as yet to clear village footpaths that are hazardous for pedestrians. It was agreed that the Clerk will pursue progress with the County Council. 72 Finance A report on the Bank balances was noted. The following payments were agreed. Cheque numbers in brackets. b. North Notts Landscapes Grass Cutting August 6<sup>rd</sup> and 17th £110.40 (101183) Sharpe Group – Monthly web site charge August and September £60 (101184) C. Hollands. Clerks Salary for 3 months to 30<sup>th</sup> September £554.16 (101185) C. Hollands. Clerks expenses for 3 months to 30th September £95.88 (101186) HMRC. PAYE due on Clerks salary. £138.54 (101187) Grant request by St Peters Church c. The request for a grant toward maintenance of the churchyard was discussed. There was concern expressed that the Churchyard had fallen into a somewhat overgrown and untended state during the summer. This was particularly so as the Church had received a grant for churchyard maintenance. It was agreed that the Clerk will write to the Church expressing the Parish Councils concerns and asking that they resubmit their request in the Spring if they so wish. The Parish Council will need to see some confirmation that a

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	contract or firm arrangement is in place to maintain the church yard before considering a
	Grant.
	d. Grant request by the Memorial Hall
	The request for a grant toward the cost of picnic benches was discussed. It appears that the Memorial Hall Committee have now established proper order for conducting their business. It was agreed that the Memorial Hall Committee will need to formally apply for a grant in the appropriate manner and the Parish Council will then consider that application on merit. There followed a general discussion about the workings of the Memorial Hall and the current lack of initiatives. There is a Pensioners Christmas Party to be arranged and there was a discussion as to the funding for this event. District Councillor K. Sutton kindly offered to Grant a sum that will cover most, if not all of the cost.  e) The Clerk updated the Meeting as to the funding arrangements to cover the cost of compliance with the transparency code. The Clerk outlined the basis of the claim and sums involved. These were agreed by the meeting and the application will now be submitted.
73	Correspondence
	1. The minutes from the recent Safer Neighbourhoods Group Meeting and the agenda for
	the forthcoming meeting  2. A letter giving detail of a Christian Heritage event to be held on 26 <sup>th</sup> November. The
	'flyer' accompanying this letter will be displayed on the notice board.
	3. The Parish Council agreed to note various other items of correspondence that together with the item 1 are to be circulated to Councillors for information.
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74	Police Report PCSO Airey gave an update on local crime matters. Two crimes were reported during the month of September for the Parish. A theft from motor vehicle on the 18 <sup>th</sup> and a theft or attempted theft from the Church on the 25 <sup>th</sup> . The perpetrators had attempted to steal the contents of the collection box but were unsuccessful. However the box was taken the following week. Overall there is a reduction in the number of reported crimes. PCSO Airey has included some detail and advice on the run up to Bonfire night and Christmas in his report for the attention of Councillors.
75	Memorial Hall Representative The need for a Councillor to be included on the Memorial Hall Committee following the resignation of Councillor P. Fletcher from that Committee was discussed. Councillor N. Fletcher agreed to represent the Parish Council and this will be communicated to the Memorial Hall Committee at their next meeting.
76	Litter on Canal Paths
	An e mail communication has been received from a local resident concerning the amount of litter being deposited on the canal paths through the village. After discussion it was agreed
	that Councillors will walk the paths to ascertain the extent of the problem and this will be
	further discussed at the next Parish Council Meeting.
77	Planning Application
	15/01283/HSE. Beck Villa, Beck Lane, Clayworth. Erect front entrance porch.
	After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council has no objection to the proposal and no

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	comment to make.
78	Any other business The Clerk produced a number of copies of the County Council 'Your Life' booklet. These will be kept in the Memorial Hall for dissemination.
79	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> November 2015 in the Memorial Hall at 8pm. The Chairman closed the meeting at 856pm.

Signed ......(Chairman)...........Date