Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting A Meeting of Clayworth Parish Council was held remotely using the Zoom platform on Tuesday 8th December 2020 at 8 pm. Participants were: Councillors J. Hunter Shaw, M. Booth, J. Booth, P Wilkinson, M. Lynam, T. Taylor (County Councillor), B. Sofflet (District Councillor) and C. Hollands (Clerk) 91 Public Session B. Sofflet informed the Meeting that the Draft Local Plan is entering a further Consultation period. The growth estimate of 20% has been reduced to 5%. Unless Villages want to expand further, their quota has been met by existing Planning Applications. The plans for new Communities at Bevercotes and Gamston have now been dropped. Covid testing is still taking place in Churchgate, Retford. Bassetlaw currently has the highest rate of infections in the County, 255 per 10K. T. Taylor informed the Meeting that there is a review of Waste Collection taking place. Targets are becoming tighter and it may be that the current contracts will be unable to deliver the new requirements. The I gas drilling site at Misson. There is a 3 year period to reinstate and restore the site. Although there is a moratorium at present, there may be a future application. J. Hunter Shaw informed the Meeting that Jonathon Haywood, a former Parish Councillor, has passed away. 92 Apologies for absence Councillor C Myers. Declarations of interest 93 None 94 Minutes It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10th November 2020, having been circulated, be accepted as a true and correct record. The Council approved the minutes. The Chairman will sign them when appropriate so to do. 95 Matters arising from the minutes None 96 Finance a. Bank balances A report on the Bank Balances was noted. b. Payments The following payments were agreed. Cheque numbers in brackets. Sharpe Systems – Monthly Website Charge £30 (101393) CPRE – Annual Subscription £36 (101394) North Notts Landscapes – Grass Cutting £72 (101395) c. Memorial Hall Grant request The Memorial Hall Committee has requested a Grant of £500 toward the cost of the Annual Insurance Premium. There was a discussion as to the merits of this application particularly as the Memorial Hall has recently received a Grant of £10K from Bassetlaw District Council to offset any drop in income and running

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costs during the Pandemic Lock down period. It was agreed that a Grant of £500 be given with the stipulation that it is to be used toward another item, new Fire Doors at the Memorial Hall, as this is on the list of updates needed. The Clerk will confirm this in writing to the Memorial Hall Committee. Church Grant request.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was agreed that a Grant of £500 be awarded toward the cost of Grass Cutting at the Graveyard. This contribution is historic and supported by the view that as Clayworth is a Conservation Village and is custodian of the Traquair Murals, these attractions bring a lot of Visitors and Tourists to the Village. The Parish Council feel it is incumbent on them to ensure that Clayworth is well presented.

d. Church Clock upgrade proposal

A quote has been received from Cumbria Clock Company concerning an upgrade to the mechanism of the Clock that will enable a change from BST to GMT, automatic reset and other enhancements, functions that it is unable to perform at present. Total cost will be £625 + Vat. There followed a lengthy discussion as to the ownership of the Clock and use of Parish Council funds to carry out this work. The Clock was donated by, and belongs to, the Village. The upkeep has always been the responsibility of the Parish Council. Again, the same rationale as the Grass Cutting Grant applies. It was agreed that the Parish Council will fund this upgrade from the 2021/2022 budget.

e. Budget 2021/2022

The Clerk asked for any items that the Parish Council wanted including in the 2021/2022 Budget. Apart from the sum for the Clock, a sum for replacing sandbags in the Emergency Container was requested. It was agreed that the Clerk propose a Budget based on current years sums plus a margin for inflation.

97 Correspondence

Various items of correspondence have been circulated via e mail and any relevant information placed on the Village Facebook page.

98 What 3 Words initiative

The Clerk informed the Meeting that the District Council has responded. They are aware of the initiative and that it is used by the Emergency Services. However, there are no plans to adopt its use within BDC and they see it as an individual choice. On this basis it was agreed that What 3 Words will not be promoted by the Parish Council.

99 Leyfield Farm proposed change to Footpath

Papers relating to the proposed change were circulated prior to this Meeting. There was a discussion as to the ownership of the land over which the new route passes. The Clerk will seek clarification of this point and responsibility for maintenance. It was agreed that the proposal seems sensible and the Parish Council has no objection.

100 Greys Bridge – Condition Issues

The Clerk reported that he has received an update from the Canals and Rivers Trust but unfortunately it relates to work carried out at the opposite end of the Village. A report on Greys

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	Bridge awaits. This will be discussed further at the January Meeting.
101	Emergency Supplies Container It was reported that the Container now houses 100 Filled Sandbags, 100 empty sacks, a quantity of absorbent bags and 2 full bags of Sand. The siting of the Container will now need to be reviewed following the unfortunate passing of Jonathon Heywood, the current Yard tenant.
102	Flood Prevention Sub Committee – Update and proposed actions There followed a lengthy discussion about the actions proposed in the Report and the form of communicating the Project that has been undertaken by the Sub Committee to the Village. Papers relating to the Project had been circulated to Councillors prior to the Meeting. It was agreed that; • One generalised letter to be composed for circulation to Village Residents that will
	 include references to Riparian Rights and Responsibilities. The Clerk will compose a draft letter of thanks to be sent to those that have Volunteered their Services as Wardens. A Key Safe be fitted to the Emergency Supplies Container. A Laminated sign be placed on the Container giving detail of how to access the Container and the Contacts concerned. A Summary of the actions to be included on the Village Face Book page and Newsletter.
103	Emergency Plan Update There was a discussion as to the content of the Plan and responsibility for supplying sandbags. It was said that there is no responsibility on Local Councils to supply Sandbags. It is an individual decision. The action taken last year to supply Sandbags was as circumstances at that time were deemed an Emergency Case. There are no plans to repeat it. It seems that some action may have been taken in good faith although outside Council Policy.
104	Representation for the Draft Bassetlaw Local Plan. The Meeting was informed that the recent changes in Plan quotas for New Housing to 5% has been met by existing Planning Applications. There is no obligation on Villages to increase new Housing.
105	Planning Application 20/01468/CAT. The Cottage, St Peters Lane, Clayworth. Works to trees in a Conservation Area – 1 x Willow Tree. Removal of all branches. It was agreed that the Parish Council has no objection to the proposal and no comment to make.
106	Any other business It is reported the road surface on Wiseton Road close to Greys Bridge has been damaged by a tracked vehicle leaving debris and causing issues with water drainage. It was agreed that the Clerk will report this to the County Council.
107	Date and time of the next meeting It was agreed that the next Parish Council meeting will be held remotely on Tuesday 12th January 2021 at 8pm using the Zoom platform. The Chairman closed the meeting at 920pm.

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