## CLAYWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

	Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
	A Meeting of Clayworth Parish Council was held in the Memorial Hall on Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 8pm. Participants were: Councillors J. Hunter Shaw, M. Booth, J Booth, P Wilkinson, T. Taylor (County Councillor), B Sofflet (District Councillor) and C. Hollands (Clerk)
59	<ul> <li>Public Session</li> <li>There was lengthy discussion about a proposal to create a 530 acre Solar Farm on land "twixt Clayworth and Gringley. The Project is codenamed West Burton 4 and forms part of the National Infrastructure approved by the Planning Inspectorate. Concerns were voiced as to the effect such a Project will have on Wildlife, Drainage, Flooding and the visual impact in a Rural setting close to the Village. The Land in question is owned by Henry Smith Charities and the Tenant Farmers thereon are at, or reaching, retirement age. Construction is planned to start in 2024. It was agreed that the Parish Council will wait for formal notification of the Project to respond.</li> <li>T. Taylor (County Councillor) updated the Meeting on a number of issues.</li> <li>1. The County Council is discussing a move from Committee to Cabinet form of Operation.</li> <li>2. The Local Improvement Scheme is under review and will proceed with both Capital and Revenue Streams on a 'Matched Funding' basis. The Applicant must have the Matched Funding in place when applying for Funding. There is to be a bidding window every 3 or 4 months instead of the current Annual system.</li> <li>A prospective Parish Councillor introduced himself to the Meeting.</li> <li>The revised footpath close to Leyfield Farm was discussed and the question of blocking access with a locked gate. It was agreed that photographs of the footpath and any gate will be forwarded to the County Councillor for the matter to be taken up with the Rights of Way Officer.</li> </ul>
60	Apologies for absence None
61	Declarations of interest None
62	Minutes It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2021 having been circulated, be accepted as a true and correct record. The Council approved the Minutes and the Chairman duly signed them.
63	Matters arising from the minutes Minute 54. Councillor Wilkinson will take ownership of the Welcome Pack for the present.
64	<ul> <li>Finance <ol> <li>Bank balances <ul> <li>A report on the Bank Balances was noted.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Payments <ul> <li>Cumbria Clock Company – Clock update £846 (101428) Agreed prior to Meeting.</li> <li>North Notts Landscapes – Grass Cutting £297.60 (101429)</li> <li>Sharpe Group – Website Charge £60 (101430)</li> <li>Isle of Axholme Drainage Board – Toft Dyke Project £500 (101431) The Clerk made the</li> </ul> </li> </ol></li></ul>

Signed ......Date

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	<ul> <li>Meeting aware of the costings for the Project that have now been received.</li> <li>3. Grant Request from 5 Villages First Responders. A Grant of £400 was agreed. A letter accompanying the cheque to point out that the Grant is made with the extra demands of Covid in mind and that any future applications will be reviewed separately.</li> </ul>
65	Correspondence Items of correspondence have been circulated via e mail and any relevant information placed on the Village Facebook page.
66	Parish Council Standing Orders The revised Parish Council Standing Orders having been circulated were agreed and adopted.
67	Litter Pick and Pick Equipment Hi Vis Waistcoats and Grab Sticks have been purchased by Councillors Booth on behalf of the Parish Council. The cost will be reimbursed at the next Meeting. It was agreed that the equipment will be left at the Memorial Hall for collection by any residents wishing to partake of litter picking in the Village. The Clerk will contact the District Council to obtain Refuse Bags for this activity.
68	Co option of Parish Councillors It was agreed that the two Applicants will be co opted at the October Parish Council Meeting.
69	Parish Council Website It was agreed that new text for the Website and photographs will be circulated by Councillors Booth and discussed at the October Parish Council Meeting.
70	Toft Dyke Project issues and updates It was agreed that there is a need to test the Emergency Plan and this will be discussed further at the October Meeting. The Emergency Plan document will be re circulated prior to the Meeting.
71	VIA Winter Service requirements It was agreed that offer of 5 Free Bags of Salt will be accepted. The Clerk will also point out that the Grit Bins around the Village have not been replenished and request that this be done.
72	Any other business There was some discussion about the WI Building in St Peters Lane particularly the history and ownership of the Building as it seems unclear. Efforts will be made to glean more information.
73	Date and time of the next meeting It was agreed that the date of next Parish Council Meeting will be Wednesday 20 October at 8pm in the Memorial Hall. The Chairman closed the meeting at 905pm.