**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CLYST ST GEORGE PARISH COUNCIL on 11th April 2018 at 8.30pm Held in the Village Hall, Clyst St George**

**PRESENT: Cllr. Ackland-Smith (MAS) Cllr. J. Manser (JM) Cllr D. Baker (DB), Cllr. P. Bragg (PB), Cllr K.Dearsley (KD), Cllr. A. Meechan (AM), Cllr A. Marks (AM) Cllr R. Bloxham (RB), Cllr M. Howe (MH), Mrs. C. Newbery (CN). 5 Members of the Public.**

1. **Apologies for absence**: Cllr Randall-Johnson
2. **Minutes to Meeting 14 March 2018 –** unanimous approval
3. **Declarations of interest**- Cllrs. Manser, Bragg, Marks – Village Hall Committee – Item 9. Cllr

Marks – Notification of Street Trading Application – Item 12 and Adopt a Telephone Kiosk – Item 13. Cllr Dearsley – Planning Application 18/0523 Netherfield, Ebford Lane, Ebford.

1. **Open Forum**

Member of Public advised that the drains at the bottom of the private lane were full of

gravel deposited from the main Ebford lane and this was causing problems. Cllr Ackland-Smith confirmed that this matter will be looked into, but as it is a private lane, the owner has the responsibility. The road was flooded. Cllr Bloxham reported that he would make further enquiries on this.

Member of public reported that he was spending a good deal of time picking up litter

around the village. There were two large redundant covers, that had been removed and thrown back. Photographs were produced. The matter had been reported on the Devon County Council website. The Council indicated that the matter had been completed, saying that it did not constitute a hazard. Member of public disagrees with that as there is a void of 1.45 metres deep. Cllr Bloxham confirmed he would visit the area after leaving the meeting and will report back.

1. **County Councillors’ Report**

Cllr Bloxham produced his and Cllr Randall-Johnson’s report, which is appended to these Minutes.

  **District Councillor’s Report**

Cllr Howe reported that he had met with Simon Bates, part of the GESP who hope to eventually connect Exe Valley Trail eventually to Cranbrook. They are presently consulting with landowners and will revert to the Parish Council with valid options in due course. They are seeking the best route possible. Cllr Ackland-Smith thanked Cllr Howe and thought this news very encouraging.

 **6.**  **Correspondence – Clerk Report**

Correspondence from member of the public regarding siting of new building off A376.

 This is being investigated.

 Email re Street Trading Policy – this matter is on the Agenda.

 Email from member of the public referring to the traffic on the Woodbury Road at Clyst

 St George. This is an Agenda item.

 Email referring to the noise of the Viridor lorry at the Clyst Road in the early hours. This

 matter is ongoing.

 Complaint by member of public about the ditch at the junction of Lower Lane and

 Ebford Lane. The ditch is blocked due to the heavy rain recently. The matter is being

 investigated.

 **7. Police Report –** The Clerk reported that there was no report on line at this present time.

  **8. Finance: Clerk to Report**

All the accounts due and passed at the last meeting have now been settled. We have

 received the sum of £200 from Devon County Council and thank Cllr Bloxham for

 organising this payment to us. We finish the year with just under £1000 in hand, which

 is very good. On the lst April we received the first half payment of the Precept claimed

 in the sum of £4391.00. I am now arranging for the year end accounts and forms to be

 completed and scrutinised.

**Unanimous Vote for acceptance of accounts and payment of £45 for uniform.**

  **9. Village Hall Committee application for a Grant for the Royal Wedding Community**

 **Event.**

 The Chairman confirmed that this event had unfortunately been cancelled.

 **10. Clyst Road Traffic**

Cllr Bloxham confirmed he had visited the Rugby Club. This matter is a Rugby Club matter

 and it is not the Parish’s problem to solve. He was following this up with a long term

 solution, as there are major traffic issues there. Cllr Ackland-Smith thanked Cllr Bloxham

 for his assistance, and confirmed that this matter would become an Agenda item monthly

 for the future.

 **11. Woodbury Road Traffic**

 Cllr Ackland-Smith confirmed she had received a letter from a resident complaining

 that there nearly had been an accident wherein someone could have been knocked down.

 It was requested that speed bumps, or such be considered. Cllr Manser suggested that a

 large 20 MPH sign be painted onto the highway around the school area. Cllr Ackland-

 Smith confirmed she would reply to the letter, and Cllr Bloxham confirmed he will look into

 the matter.

 **12. Notification of Street Trading Application**

 This matter was discussed. Cllr Bloxham confirmed that there had been a change in the

 Rules relating to Street Trading. Cllr Ackland-Smith queried how long would a licence run.

 Cllr Bloxham confirmed twelve months, and it was at an experimental stage. It was noted

 the proposed site would be in Woodbury Road, fortnightly on a Wednesday from 5pm to

 8pm. Cllr Marks was concerned over the excess traffic this could encourage and also the

 smell. Cllr Dearsley agreed with Cllr Marks, and suggested a more convenient site could

 be considered. Cllr Bloxham suggested that the concerns should be sent to the Licensing

 Committee.

 It was agreed that this course of action should be taken.

 **13. Adopt a Kiosk Notification**

This matter was discussed. Cllr Marks, on whose land the Woodbury Road telephone box

 is sited confirmed he was happy for the box to remain in place. After discussion it was

 agreed more details would be obtained, and the matter would be an Agenda item next

 month.

 **14. Neighbourhood Plan**

Cllr Manser confirmed that an Inspector would soon be chosen and we are nearing the end of the process.

 **Unanimous Vote in favour.**

 **15. PLANNING**

 **18/0523 Netherfield, Ebford Lane, Ebford**

 Cllr Baker called for a vote to ratify the proposals put forward for this application.

 **Vote Unanimous – with exception of Cllr Dearsley - interest declared.**

 **18/0834 Blue Ball, Clyst Road, Clyst St Mary**

Cllr Baker reported that this application indicated that the building would be moved a

 few metres back from the road. The noise impact assessment was on the website. Cllr

 Meechan queried there was no mention of the toilet facilities, and therefore her

 initial objections stand. Cllr Ackland-Smith confirmed that the residents feel very strongly

 and cannot see how their stance can change. It was agreed that Cllr Baker would respond

 following hearing from all the Councillors with their views on this application.

 1**6. Councillors’ Reports**

 Cllr Dearsley nothing to report.

 Cllr Meechan reported that there was glass on the pavements following a five car accident

 on the A376 at the traffic lights near the entrance to Ebford Lane. This was reported to

 Street Scene.

 Cllr Baker had nothing to report.

 Cllr Manser reported that there was an overgrown hedge on the A376 from the traffic

 Lights and the pavement was covered in weeds. He also reported that at Courtbrook Farm

 dog bags had been hung in trees. Cllr Bloxham confirmed that cameras could be installed

 to combat this, they cost about £100, and this could be funded by Devon County Council.

 Cllr Ackland-Smith confirmed she would include this in her report in the Clyst Valley News.

 Cllr Marks reported that he had, since our last meeting, attended the Chapter 8 Training,

 and he was pleased to confirm he had passed, and was awaiting the certificate.

 **Questions**

 **Member of Public** reported that Darts were planning on having a firework party, and enquired

 whether they could do this without permission. Cllr Bloxham confirmed there were permitted

 hours for this.

**Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 9th May 2018, following the Annual General Meeting at 8pm**

Signed………………………………………………………………………. Dated ……………………………………..

The meeting closed at 9.45pm