**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CLYST ST GEORGE PARISH COUNCIL on 14th March 2018 at 8pm Held in the Village Hall, Clyst St George**

**PRESENT: Cllr. Ackland-Smith (MAS) Cllr. J. Manser (JM) Cllr. P. Bragg (PB), Cllr Dearsley (KD), Cllr. A. Meechan (AM), Cllr A. Marks (AM) Mrs. C. Newbery (CN).
 & 2 Members of the Public.**

1. **Apologies for absence**: Cllr. R. Bloxham, Cllr Randall-Johnson, Cllr M. Howe.
2. **Minutes to Meeting 14 February 2018 –** unanimous approval
3. **Declarations of interest**- Cllrs. Manser, Bragg, Marks – Village Hall Committee – Item 9.
4. **Open Forum**

Member of Public would like a Police to be more aware of the speeding along the A376.

During the recent snow a car had crashed through the fence to her property and narrowly

missed going through the front window. Member of public considers the footpath is dangerous to use. Cllr Ackland-Smith confirmed that the matter had already been taken up with both the Police and

Highways. The County Councillor was very aware of the problems. The Police had checked

 the area and each accident had been reported. This is very traumatic for residents when

there are accidents but unless there are a certain number of them they do not make any

restrictions. Cllr Bragg confirmed there had been a number of accidents along that road and

his house had also been hit over the last four years. Cllr Ackland-Smith advised that the

residents should make their feelings strongly known.

1. **District Councillor’s Report followed by County Councillor’s Report – none available,**

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

**Emails** regarding weather conditions and warning of road closures etc. These have been

 displayed on our website.

  **Email** from member of the public volunteering to assist with minor maintenance tasks,

 If available. This kind offer has been acknowledged and the person has been added to

 our list of volunteers.

**Email** from member of public regarding Viridor lorry entering Clyst Works on Clyst Road

 very early in morning, 5.30am and causing disturbance with loud engine noises whilst

 loading skips. This matter will be referred to EDDC

 **Email** from member of the public regarding Newcourt Barton Farm application, has been

 advised to write to East Devon District Council Planning Dept and also contact District

 and County Councillors.

  **Email** from member of public concerned at dangerous speed of traffic on A376 – there

 was an incident where a car had travelled through an iron fence which thankfully

 stopped it going through the front window. This matter will be investigated further.

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

  **8. Finance: Clerk to Report**

 After payment of Drainology and the Clerk’s salary, we are left with a balance of

 £1457.10. The Clerk also reported that Cllr. Marks would be attending the Chapter 8

 Training course shortly, and as such, it is necessary for him to have a uniform before

 attending. The uniform required would cost £45, discounted from £55. Cllr Ackland-

 Smith thanked Cllr Marks for agreeing to undertake the training.

 **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.**

 Cllr. Ackland-Smith called for views.

 Cllr Baker stated that he was struggling to support this application in view of the

 substantial bank balance held in the Village Hall account.Cllr Meechan agreed with Cllr

 Baker. Cllr Baker commented that the Parish Council had previously supported such

 events. Cllr Dearsley expressed her strong feelings regarding this application and felt it

 could be self-funded

 by tickets and felt the Parish Council should not support it. Cllr Meechan agreed

 with Cllr Dearsley. After discussion, Cllr Ackland-Smith reported that there was a

 possibility this event could be partly funded at County Council level and called for a

 vote on investigating this possibility. It was agreed that this matter would be deferred

 until the next meeting, and in the meantime, Cllr Bloxham would be contacted

 regarding a possible funding of part of this event, together with the secretary of the

 Village Hall.

 **10. Road Patching**

Cllr Manser reported that he had contacted the person who was recommended by

 Farringdon Parish Council regarding this matter. He was Chapter 8 trained, and

 has viewed Lower Lane, Ebford. He estimated that it would take between 8 – 10

 tubs (25kg) and his charges would be approximately £90. The tubs would cost in the

 region of £90, and therefore total charge would be approximately £180. Cllr Manser

 considered this reasonable. There was also a firm at Bushayes Farm that the materials

 could be purchased from, but their costs would be £180 - £200. Cllr Marks suggested

 that once he had completed his Chapter 8 Training he could assist, but Cllr Manser

 confirmed that the recommended person preferred to work alone. Cllr Baker

 thought the figures quoted were good value. It was agreed all were in favour of this

 course of action.

 **11. Clyst Road Traffic**

 Cllr Ackland-Smith advised that Cllr Bloxham was going to have a discussion on

 this, and in his absence, this matter would be included on next month’s Agenda.

 **12. Creation of Local Heritage Asset List, as an additional document to the**

 **Neighbourhood Plan.**

Cllr Manser confirmed that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group were keen to see

 Local Heritage Asset List – this would be for houses that are notable locally either for

 historical or local reasons. East Devon District Council had refused to take this on, and

 suggested that we have our own local List of houses that are of architectural interest.

 This would be an advantage and could give more scrutiny if planning applications

 Come up. In these circumstances, they could possibly be more sympathetic. Cllr

 Manser asked for any questions.

 Cllr Ackland-Smith asked if there was anywhere anyone had in mind.

 Cllr Manser suggested Model Cottages and the George and Dragon. There was also

 The Chestnuts Ebford, Diamond Cottages in Clyst Road – all these

 properties could be listed. Cllr Manser called for a vote on the creation of Local

 HeritageAsset List.

 **Unanimous Vote. Cllr Dearsley requested Councillors to suggest properties to be**

 **included on List to Cllr Manser.**

 **13. Approval of the Design Statement as an additional document to the Neighbourhood**

 **Plan - Vote.**

 **Unanimous Vote in favour.**

 **14. Approval of Neighbourhood Plan and submission documents – Vote.**

 **Unanimous Vote in favour.**

Cllr Manser reported that the next step was to submit to East Devon District

 Council. The Consultation will take approximately six weeks. The Chairman, Cllr

 Ackland-Smith thanked Cllr Manser and his team for all the effort that had been put

 in to achieve this.

 **PLANNING**

 **18/03166/FUL Green Mead, Clyst Road, Topsham**

Cllr Baker reported that this decision required ratifying. He reported there were

 no adverse comments. **Vote unanimous.**

 **18/0476/FUL Little Orchard Ebford EX3 0PA**

 Cllr Baker this application was for a construction of a whole storey and pitched roof,

 lifting up the whole storey, with dormer over at the back. The Design Access states

 It is similar to other properties in the area, but there are none the same. Cllr Marks

 Considered it took up all the plot, with no spaces for trees etc. Cllr Baker considered

 The proposal to be overbearing and dominant. Cllr Dearsley thought that if the scale

 was adjusted, then maybe it acceptable. Cllr Baker considered we object to the size.

 **Vote Unanimous**

 **18/0424/FUL Darts Farm Shopping Village, Clyst St George EX3 0QH**

 Cllr Baker confirmed this was a retrospective application.

 Cllr Bragg suggested this application was one that we would have approved. Cllr.

 Ackland-Smith commented that it was disappointing that the application was not

 applied for prior to the work being completed. Cllr Baker suggested the matter be

 left to East Devon District Council regarding the policy on this.

 **Vote Unanimous.**

 1**6. Councillors’ Reports**

Cllr Dearsley reported that the road near Tremletts, with a sink hole will be adopted by Devon County Council. This was welcome news. Cllr Dearsley also requested that we enquire from Woodbury Parish Council what the situation was with the planning at Higher Bagmore Farm. It was agreed that we would acquire from Woodbury Parish Council planning details.

Cllr Meechan reported that the meeting at Crealey was cancelled until the end of April. She reported that there were no problems.

Cllr Manser reported that Richard Barwick had very kindly cleared the lanes with a bucket loader. It was agreed that the Clerk would write and thank him for his efforts.

Cllr Bragg had nothing to report, other than the accident recently where a car was written off.

Cllr Marks had nothing to report, but said he was commencing his Chapter 8 Training the next day.

If he completes the course and passes, then he would sign up to the Road Warden Scheme.

Cllr Baker reported that the Government were consulting on the NPPF, and East Devon District Council is to put a response in. There is a change in the mechanism of how land supply is calculated. This has to be completed by the end of May 2018. He confirmed that Cllr Howe would brief the Parish Council in due course. This scheme is not designed to reduce houses built.

Cllr Ackland-Smith reported that the water problem in Ebford Lane is not a spring. There is a very loud hissing noise. This water is coming from water supply, and South West Water were now investigating after long negotiations.

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The meeting closed at 9.45pm