**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CLYST ST GEORGE PARISH COUNCIL
 held on 13 November 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Clyst St George.**

**Present: Chairman Cllr J Manser**

 **Councillors**  **Cllr P. Bragg**

 **Cllr D. Baker**

 **Cllr. A. Marks**

 **Cllr. A. Williamson**

 **Cllr. D. Hazell**

 **Cllr. G. Bowen**

 **County Councillors Cllrs. R. Bloxham & Cllr S. Randall-Johnson**

 **District Councillor Cllr. M. Howe**

 **Clerk Mrs. Cathryn Newbery**

**0 Members of Public**

**1. Apologies for Absence:** none

**2. Approval of Minutes** – Unanimous approval.

**3. Declaration of Interest – None**

**4. Open Forum - none**

**5. County Councillors’ and District Councillor’s Reports**

 **Cllr Bloxham** reported that the Climate emails had been circulated. He reported that Bishops Clyst Traffic Group report would be ready next year. Cllr Manser requested that he had a copy of that report. Cllr Bloxham explained what they had done. Cllr Manser explained that our traffic surveys did not work out due to circumstances, and it was not possible to take part in them. Cllr Manser will await the outcome of the Bishops Clyst survey and then make a decision on the way forward.

 **Cllr Randall-Johnson** reported that the Health service is in ”Purdah”, but also under a lot of stress, she will update us after the General election.

 **Cllr Howe** reported that Burrington Homes’ application for the retention of the advertisement hoarding had been refused, and they have fourteen days from the refusal to remove it. He confirmed that at the last full Est Devon Council Meeting it was evident that the nineteen independent Councillors were beginning to work together with the other Councillors on East Devon District Council, which was reassuring. Cllr Manser enquired regarding strategic planning and GESP, as reports had indicated doom and gloom. The North West Quadrant (any village North of Exmouth and the Clyst Villages are to be designated “Garden Villages”. He noted that the Neighbourhood Plan goes until 2031 and enquired where our position was with regard to the Local Plan. Cllr Howe replied that Strategic Planning had met and are gathering evidence, and the evidence will go to Government. All four Councils have to approve it and the public will be involved. This is earmarked for next summer. Cllr Manser confirmed that a watching brief will have to be kept on this. Cllr Baker asked Cllr Howe the situation with land supply, and Cllr Howe responded that at present this is satisfactory.

**6.**  **Correspondence**. Clerk to Report:

 Email from Devon County Council re Devon Climate Emergency – circulated.

 Email from DCC re Traffic Management Permit Scheme – circulated.

 Email re Devon Carbon Plan Process Launch – circulated.

 Email re Devon Local Flood Risk Management Update October 2019, Strategy

 Newsletter – circulated.

 Email from Selina Tallock at EDDC re CIL payments – this will be in the Finance

 Email from Bishops Clyst re P and CCO Report – circulated – nothing further

 to report at this stage.

 Email from Devon CC indicating Broadband Public Consultancy launched – circulated

 Email from PCSO Justin Willis – saying he is standing down from 10 November.

 No one yet announced to fill his position, and any queries should now be

 directed to PS Richard Stonecliffe of Exmouth Neighbourhood Team.

 Notification regarding two properties that appear to have no planning permission,

 one is in the field at the back of Winslade Manor behind Redlands Garage in the corner

 of the field, and the other is in the top corner of the adjoining field. Both properties are

 being accessed by vehicle through the gate beside Redlands drive and there is a clear

 driveway to both properties. Generators can be heard running there. I confirmed this

 would be reported at our meeting, but it had been broached before, EDDC enforcement
 Officer is investigating.

**7. Finance –** The Clerk reported that the financial spreadsheets and bank statements had been circulated prior to the meeting. There is one cheque outstanding in the sum of £231, which is payment for the Planning Application for the piece of land at the back of the Village Hall. The amount in hand after that cheque has cleared will be £4958.96. There is one account outstanding in the sum of £48 for the Village Hall, which is two months’ rental of the hall. The Clerk called for a vote accepting the accounts and payment of the invoice.

 **Vote on Accounts and payment of account – Unanimous**

The Clerk then reported that notification had been received of the CIL repayment due to the Parish Council in the sum of £1191.67. It is proposed that these funds be paid into our main account but be ringfenced to support the development of the local Council’s area, or any part of that area by funding the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure, or anything else that is concerned with addressed the demands that development places on an area. A discussion ensued, and it was agreed that a separate bank account be opened in which these funds, and any other such funds, be placed. This would ensure that the funds were used in an appropriate and transparent manner. The Clerk was requested to open an account with Lloyds Bank.

 **Vote for Separate Bank Account to be opened - Unanimous**

 **8. Clarification of Grant requested by Lady Seaward’s School**

After discussion it was agreed that this matter be on the Agenda for next month, as no further notification had been received from the School of the amount required.

 **9. New Website**

Cllr Manser reported that the new website was now ready to be launched and expressed his thanks to Cllr Bowen for achieving this outcome. Cllr Manser considered it to be a huge improvement. Cllr Bowen was happy for the site to go live, subject to the approval of DALC. A discussion ensued on email addresses and it was agreed that this was a matter for each Councillor to decide on whether to continue using their own address or all Councillors opt to have a Parish Council address.

 **Vote to launch new website, subject to the removal of personal email addresses - Unanimous**

 **10. Update on the transfer of land:** Cllr Manser confirmed that the planning application had been submitted, and it was a matter of waiting for the outcome.

 **11. Tree Planting –** Cllr Manser reported that he and Cllr Hazell had now decided on a plan. They considered 17 trees, and possibly three or four at Ebford, bringing the final total to the lower 20s. Cllr Manser reported that he would liaise with Cllr Hazell and put a plan together. Cllr Bloxham advised it may be good to send a copy of the plan to Helen Selby. Cllr Mansell confirmed this would be done.

 **12. Hedges and Ditches -** Cllr Manser reported that on having looked at the area discussed at last month’s meeting, he would find it difficult to object to the condition of the bank as it was not in such a bad state. He said that the bank had been turfed and the wildflowers will return in time. It is for this reason he did not consider it necessary to send a letter as had been discussed at last month’s meeting.

 **13. PLANNING**

**19/2051/FUL + 19/2052/LBC Re-use of existing barn Courtbrook Farm**

Cllr Baker reported this application was for barn storage and guest accommodation, Cllr Howe commented that as the building was already there, this could have benefits, and was more favoured normally than new build. After discussion, it was noted that there were no problems to cause objection.

**Unanimous Vote to support with no comment.**

**APP/U1105/W/193237679 16 Parkey Cottages, Clyst St George.**

Cllr Baker reported that this matter had been supported previously, but the application had been refused on grounds of impact of rural setting. After discussion, it was considered there was no cause to change our previous stance on this.

 **14. Councillors’ Reports**

Cllr Baker enquired whether Helen Selby had been in touch regarding the gullies etc, as there were massive puddles now because of the poor weather. Cllr Manser said he was considering writing to Ms. Selby thanking her for the work already completed and asking her when it was possible that this further work could be done.

 Cllr Bragg commented on the leaves on the road and said that the road sweeper would be due soon. Cllr Marks said that he had cleared the leaves by the school recently.

Cllr Marks reported that the sandbags had been collected, and Cllr Bowen had some, although there was no call for them at present.

 Cllr Williamson had nothing to report.

 Cllr Hazell had nothing to report.

 Cllr Bowen had nothing to report, as the Grant to the School had been discussed earlier.

 Cllr Manser reported that he had attended the Planning Meeting on Update of the Neighbourhood Plan. He said that East Devon District Council were looking to update the Local Plan next year (which they do every five years)

**Signed………………………………………………………………Dated……………………………**

**The Meeting closed at 8.45pm**

**Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 11 December 2019 at 7.30pm**