

**STEEPLE CLAYDON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes Parish Council meeting 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

<p><b>Present.</b> 2017/235</p>	<p>Parish Councillors Joseph Hodges (in the Chair), Trevi Smith, Doreen Weingart, Tony Barrett, Dan Price, Frank Mahon District Councillor John Chilver. 4 Parishoners.</p>	<p><u>ACTION POINTS</u></p>	
<p><b>Apologies and declarations of interest</b> 2017/236</p>	<p>Parish Councillors Frank Spencer and Paul Firth (holiday). County Councillor Angela MacPherson.</p>		
<p><b>Minutes of meeting 6<sup>th</sup> June 2017</b> 2017/237</p>	<p>Draft minutes had been displayed ahead of the meeting on the website after Councillors had scrutinised for any errors. The minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> June meeting were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair. Proposed Cllr Price, seconded Cllr Mahon. Unanimous.</p>		
<p><b>Matters Arising</b> 2017/238</p>	<p>Draft minutes on website for June 2017 had been converted to full minutes after sign off. Grass cutting enquiries had moved forward with response to enquiry from BucksCC. Cllr Barrett would assist Clerk with this enquiry. General Data Protection Regulations – Cllr Barrett had read paperwork which follows on from Data Protection Act – will maintain a watching brief. Drop zone discussion with local landowners – Cllr Firth to action. Traffic calming and MVA extension discussions with near villages not yet taken place but diarised. Cllr Firth to address PC on his plans for the village at the September meeting. PC would be represented at summer fayres with regard Hs2 and this had started.</p>		<p>Firework dropzone notice</p>
<p><b>Public Participation</b> 2017/239</p>	<p>Parishoner asked about redecoration required in village hall. Assurances given that this would be actioned. District Councillor John Chilver spoke re delays of the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan – coming to district council in October and ongoing discussion and submission to the inspector in 2018. Discussed EWR meetings / consultation local events. Winslow library has plans etc for public viewing. Parishoner wished to speak of Betty McBride who had recently died and had been a keen supporter of the library. They wished to plant a tree in her honour. (one had been reserved). Agreed not Vicarage Orchard but place to be identified by Parish Council at next walkabout. Happy for collection to be made in library. Parishoner asked for help in removal of debris following tree pruning – would be actioned by Councillors after this meeting. A number of parishoners were present and wished to object to the planning permission tonight on the agenda being the transfer of garage business on to agricultural land on Herd Hill, Steeple Claydon. A number of issues were identified and the Parish Council intended to reflect these thoughts in its response to the Planning Application. On a separate matter there was widespread concern and opposition with regard to a number of dilapidated vehicles that were now left on this land which was believed to be subject to an agricultural restrictive covenant. The Parish Council was asked if it would show objection to this action.</p>		<p>Tree position at walkabout</p> <p>Letter re abandoned vehicles</p>
<p><b>Parish Clerk – correspondence</b> 2017/240</p>	<p>1)The Clerk had had, in writing, objection to the Planning application and abandoned vehicles as per previous note. It was decided to discuss this matter now and bring forward agenda item. The Parish Council unanimously agreed that they would object to the Planning application 17/01132/App erection of building for vehicle repair garage business – Proposed Cllr</p>		

	<p>Weingart, seconded Cllr Smith. Predominantly on the grounds of out of keeping and the business not appropriate with the area being agricultural rural land, there was also lack of detail and there were water course concerns. Turning to the abandoned vehicles it was suggested that the Parishoners with concerns write to the Enforcement Officer AVDC. The Parish Council would also write detailing their concerns.</p> <p>2) In response to Cllr MacPherson e mail, the PC agreed that she may mention in her presentation on 19<sup>th</sup> July in support of TWAO to move sidings from Brackley lane to EFW site that SCPC was in agreement. 3) Thank you letter recd regarding new fence erected on boundary of village hall garden. 4) Following discussions between Parishoner and the Co-op, the latter keen to donate to 2 local worthy causes and Clerk had been asked to respond supporting the Pensioners Christmas lunch and the newly formed youth club. Proposed Cllr Price, seconded Cllr Weingart. Unanimous. 5) EWR meeting pending and noticeboard entry. Clerk had received memory stick with detailed information re infrastructure – passed to Cllr Barrett. Schedule of meetings to be forwarded by TB to web master. 6) Parishoner letter re footpaths south of the village and Cllr Firth response prepared and would be sent. Proposed Cllr Weingart, seconded Cllr Smith. 7) Village Networks ongoing fees for provision of internet services would be collected by direct debit (suggested by Clerk and proposed by Cllr Barrett, seconded Cllr Mahon -Unanimously agreed). 8) Tractor had been retaxed for 12 months by Clerk. 9) A letter from E'on received and a street light review is now necessary in the light of EU legislation and the correct bulbs. An expensive project where PC has already made provision of £30k. Clerk to write to E'on and invite for further discussion to review stock and proposals for the future. 10) Parish Council had received correspondence from The Revd Wendy Callan, St Michaels Church asking for assistance. Churchyard nearly full to capacity and Sir Edmund Verney and his family had kindly gifted a plot of land (an extension to the current churchyard.) Solicitor's fees on both sides will need to be covered and figures quoted total £2,700 including vat. Additional fees to land registry and fencing costs are in addition. The Parish Council agreed to gift a sum of up to a maximum of £2,700 inc vat solely for the solicitor's fees and should the total be less than this figure then the Parish Council would gift the lesser amount. The Parish Council would pay directly to the Church's solicitors against an appropriate invoice addressed to SCPC. Proposed Cllr Mahon, seconded Cllr Price – unanimous. 11) Reference made to Agricultural Land Classification report prepared by Daniel Baird Soil Consultancy Ltd on behalf of Optimis Estates ref APP 17/01010/AOP being land west of Addison Road Steeple Claydon. Land found to be Grade 3b which is not best and most versatile land so conservation of this land does not apply to this site. 12) Bank mandate change in hand.</p>	<p>Clerk write to co-op</p> <p>Clerk to write to E'on</p>
<p><b>Librarian</b> 2017/241</p>	<p>Clerk advised number of candidates for the vacant position. Interview details arranged 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> July. Volunteers were in place to keep library open during this period.</p>	
<p><b>Working group update on activities</b> 2017/242</p>	<p><b>Finance</b> Bank balances 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017, C/a £66,801.28 Tracker £21,027.70, Lloyds £50,000, NSC's £5,329.88 Tennis courts £5,506.66.</p>	

Cheque run July 2017.

105085	HMRC	Tax and NI	£ 546.20
086	David Griffiths	Rec Ground Maintenance	£ 496.00
087	Alan Lambourne	Internal Audit	£40.60
088	E'on	Qtly maintenance 06/17	£613.44
089	Ian Millard	Reimburse domain name fee	£16.78
090	Ron Ridgway	Hall cleaning	£400.00
091	Village Networks	Qtly fee + new equipment and service	£1554.00
092	Acme Pest Control	Mouse control	£84.50
093	Linnell Bros Ltd	Marine Ply – skate park repair	£145.62
094	E'on	QCR street light repair	£28.16
099	Ultimate supplies	janitorial	£66.29

\* wage payments 095-098

Proposed Cllr Hodges, seconded Cllr Barrett. Unanimous  
**Recreation Ground**

Cllr Price spoke. ROSPA report has been very fully reviewed by Cllrs Spencer, Weingart and Price and a site visit. Itemised discussion. Priority items would be actioned. High netting would be removed on Children's corner boundary. Remaining tennis court fencing would be inspected again. Cllr Mahon confirmed he is to have a meeting with Aylesbury Youth Action re caged cricket and would report back. It was hoped that this would lead to a caged cricket club for the village.

It was resolved that the quotation from contractors ref SAS-8143 being repairs to surfaces in Children's corner be accepted and Clerk to confirm order with company. Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Weingart – Unanimous.

CCTV training and some camera adjustment was moving forward. Further weed spraying to take place.

**Village Hall, Cottage and Library**

CCTV to be relocated and put in box with training to follow Communication and Events. Further works identified for Caretaker action – to be added to defects list. Library shelving will be deferred until new librarian in place. Stage curtains to be cleaned and progress being made in finding a contractor. Discussion regarding the inspection of the new fence in the cottage garden, now completed. Clerk asked to chase contractor regarding outstanding work on cottage.

**Communication and events**

Cllr Spencer on holiday. Firework planning has started – next meeting late July. Youth Club want to have inflatables up at recreation ground – company has insurance and Clerk would confirm ok.

**Neighbourhood and development**

**Planning Applications for consideration**

**Erection of building for vehicle repair garage business**

Planning Application

Land Adj Herds Hill Steeple Claydon Buckinghamshire

Ref. No: 17/01132/APP

The Parish Council objected to the application. Unanimous. (as above)

	<p><b>Relocation of existing substation including installation of electrical apparatus, replacement building to house electrical apparatus, fencing and lighting</b></p> <p>Planning Application  Land To The West Of Addison Road, South Of Steeple Claydon  Ref. No: 17/02430/HS2PRE  The Parish Council had no objection to the application. (Cllr Hodges took no part in the discussion or voting).</p>	
<p><b>Matters of a confidential Nature</b>  2017/243</p>	<p>The public were asked to leave before this item on the agenda.  Public meeting closed</p>	
<p>Signed..... Dated.....</p>		