

CLINT CUM HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Annual Assembly of  
Electorate of Clint cum Hamlets Parish Council  
held in the Community Centre, Burnt Yates  
on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.30pm**

<b>Present</b>	Cllrs Whitehead, C & K Harper, Scott, Parker, County Cllr Harrison, District Cllr Atkinson, J Jennings (Clerk) + 3 Residents
<b>Apologies</b>	None
Cllr Whitehead welcomed everyone to the meeting	
<b>Minutes</b>	The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2018, having being previously circulated, were signed as a true record.
<b>Reports</b>	
<b>1. Chairman</b>	<p>1. The Village has now a defibrillator and 32 people attended 2 training sessions to familiarise themselves with its use.</p> <p>2. The Parish Council has taken possession of the telephone box and is in the position of upgrading it and converting it into a book exchange.</p> <p>3. The village green has been updated in that the posts have been painted and the link chains renewed.</p> <p>4. The children's play area has been inspected and the fence and gate repaired.</p> <p>5. Daffodils have been planted around the Parish and a sack of crocuses have been ordered for Autumn planting.</p> <p>6. Further signs have been put up in a further attempt to eliminate dog fouling.</p> <p>7. Permission granted to the Friend's of the School for a seat on the village green.</p> <p>On the negative side the building projects within the Parish have created quite a bit of friction. These have led to a deterioration of verges. Parking problems and litter problems.</p> <p>With regard to the community centre and the Bay Horse Development many people regarded the loss of the disabled parking place as unacceptable and various representations were made to both the building company and HBC in respect of the 106 agreement.</p> <p>One further negative is the loss of the Parish Magazine after over 40 years of publication. This apparently was due to a lack of an editor.</p> <p>To finish we would like to thank Cllr Harrison and Cllr Atkinson for their support and attendance at our meetings. The Councillors for giving their time and hard work and Janine for her administration work.</p>
<b>2. Treasurers</b>	<p>Read by The Treasurer</p> <p>The Balance sheet was handed out.</p> <p>The accounts were accepted as a true record</p>
<b>3. District Councilor</b>	I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report to your Parish Council & Residents for the year 2018/19 and state that it has been a privilege to represent the Fountains and Ripley Ward on Harrogate Borough Council. I

have been a Councillor for 17 years and during that time I have been Cabinet Member for Public Protection and Rural Affairs and have been a member of most committees. We continue to work hard at giving value for money but have had to put up our share of the Council Tax to keep up with inflation. It has become harder with an austerity to keep our services and balance the book.

The Council moved into the new Offices at Knapping Mount in Autumn 2017 and this is saving the Council £1 m per year which will be re-invested into local services. With this saving we are hoping to build a new pool at Ripon by 2021.

As you know the Inspector has finished his programme of hearings on the District Plan and he has written to the Council with his thoughts on it. He has reduced the numbers from 669 to 637 builds per year so he has taken some sites out of the plan. The Council is working on the amendments and then it will be out again for consultation before it is adopted. A great number of Planning permissions have been granted and we now have over a 6 year supply with permission.

Our Housing Department has started to build a few new Council Houses on sites that are owned by the Council (like old garage sites) to help improve housing prospects for young people. The Council has built 16 new council houses last year also purchased 29.

The Council have employed from March 19, an 'Empty Homes Officer' to help get empty houses back into occupancy and we are hoping to introduce a compulsory purchase order for properties that have been left empty for 2 years or more.

The Nidderdale Area of Outstanding Beauty has drafted the new 5 year Management Plan and it is out for consultation. As most of my ward its in this area, have a look at it and if you wish to make any comments please do.

As a country Councillor I have made sure that the opinions of the Parish Councils and that of the local people continue to be heard at district level and I will continue to work to make the District a safe and healthy environment to live, work and play.

**4. County Councilor**

Just under half of our income is from Council tax. Fees and charges make up 17%, Allocated government grants makes up 15%, business rates gives 10%, commercial income 9%. Government support grant is just 1% by next year this will be zero.

What the money is spent on Health and adult services, Children and young people's services, Business and environmental services, plus sundries. The Councils priorities – Every child and young person has ben best possible start in life. Every adult has a longer, healthier and independent life. Prevention instead of reactive support when things goes wrong.

Highways the moving of the road around Kexgill, north of the valley was planned to be a 6 year project, but due to its severity was going to be delivered with 3 years.

Superfast broadband is being rolled out. A good deal with BT, more people sign to BT more credits to HBC.

HBC have been noticed as having an outstanding approach to children's welfare and have been asked to train other councils. This is being done at a

	charge to other councils, therefore more money coming back into HBC, Allerton Park waste means less waste going into landfill, but due to the technicalities we wont know if it was the right decision for a number of years. Cllr Harrison said his area from Penny Pot to Ripon, Warsil over to Burton Leonard is a large area but he enjoys the work he does and sits on the Executive for the Adult/Social Care.
<b>Items for discussion</b>	Cllr Whitehead opened the floor to the residents
	The Clerk asked permission to read a statement to a Resident who had raised several items via email. Email dated 2 <sup>nd</sup> May
<i>1. Personal Details</i>	In accordance with the GDPR there is no legal requirement to have any personal details on the website (apart from names). There is a generic email address that any questions can be asked through.
<i>2. Photos on Website</i>	In accordance with the GDPR there is no legal requirement to have any personal pictures on the website and lets be honest we are only a small village and the Councillors are all known.
<i>3. To fix these</i>	Therefore nothing to fix.
<i>4. Email addresses</i>	In accordance with the GDPR personal emails do not need to be published. There is a generic email address on the website.
<i>5. For sale sign</i>	As you state this has been rectified and the Clerk read a statement obtained from the Development Management support at Harrogate Borough Council stating that the sign would have been allowed.
<i>6. Area east of the village</i>	Yes you are correct this is within the Parish, but this is a matter for NYCC Highways and is not for the Parish Council, but we all know with cutbacks made by the council certain services have been in decline.
<i>7. Fix the above</i>	Mr Haper kindly donates his time and equipment and does not receive any payment for the work he carries out in helping to keep the village looking good. It is completed as a goodwill. Mr Green when cutting his grass used to the keep the area, that is in question, tidy again as a goodwill and received no payment for doing so, but now is unable to carry out the work. It is in fact due to several people within the village giving their time, using their own equipment to help the village looking good. Therefore Mr Harper has no obligation to loan his equipment, again this is a matter for NYCC.
<i>8. Reply</i>	As stated in the Clerks email response to you, even though you demand replies to these items, nothing can be done outside a Parish Council Meeting, hence why we are addressing them now.
<i>9. Reply within 7 days</i>	You were replied to within 7 days stating that nothing can be done outside a Parish Council Meeting.
<i>10. Outstanding items</i>	We believe you have been advised in past meetings about your previous concerns.
<i>11. The newspaper article</i>	Re the Times article, everyone knows that within your Council Tax an amount goes towards the Parish Council.
<i>12. Working together</i>	Please can we advise you that you are not a Parish councilor and to say work with you and not against and progress will ensue is misguided.
	Email dated 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 16.59
	This has already been addressed item 5.
<i>1. Agenda</i>	Email dated 10 <sup>th</sup> May, following the Clerks response to you The Agenda (and subsequently after the meeting the minutes) are sent to a resident within the village, who sees it as his contribution, again goodwill and at no cost to the council, to update the website with said documents, so this

<p>2. Code of Conduct, Standing Order</p> <p>3. Calling a meeting</p> <p>4. Not necessary to discuss</p> <p>5. Adding to the Agenda</p> <p>6. Dog Fouling</p> <p>7. Bay Horse</p> <p>8. Admiral Way sign</p> <p>9. Code of Conduct, Standing Order</p> <p>10. Attending</p>	<p>work was already in progress.</p> <p>As you state yourself the Code of Conduct and Standing Order were brought to the following meeting, which you did not attend. Therefore it can not be the responsibility of the Parish Council to make sure this is emailed to you. I have been advised to add this to our website. I feel this is quite sad, as we are losing personal connection by having to have everything on a website and not personal contact in handing a piece of paper and actually talking. This would not help anyone who does not have access to a computer/tablet/phone etc.</p> <p>You must do what you feel is necessary, but surely if you work with the council who is already in place and not against then you will see results? You have complained that the council has not addressed your concerns and this had already been added to the Agenda and therefore will and is being discussed.</p> <p>You are quite within your rights to have anything added to the Agenda for a meeting but you must give 7 working days. Giving the Clerk time to add them and display the Agenda and unfortunately your email dated Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May was too late.</p> <p>This has been discussed at many meetings and we look forward to hearing your constructive recommendations.</p> <p>If residents have concerns about the building work they should come direct to the council again we cannot take third party comments.</p> <p>The sign has been requested.</p> <p>As above item 2.</p> <p>That is the point of a meeting nobody knows who will attend Finally. The resident was advised that he should adhere to the parish council rules for a public session and you will receive 3 minutes per item you personally cannot demand to change this. May we remind you that if you attend a Harrogate Borough Council meeting you would only receive 3 minutes and it is timed! Following on from this the Parish Council will be addressing their procedures and will be looking at a procedure on how to deal with aggressive correspondence.</p> <p>The Parish council understand you have issues and concerns about the village, which is why we are here and we look forward to you working with us to hopefully rectify these.</p>
<p>1. Dog Fouling</p>	<p>Mr Phillips produced pictures of dog fouling within the village and several with blue paint sprayed around the said fouling to illustrate the problem. He stated that the bins around the village were being used for general rubbish and this should not be allowed. Cllr Harper stated that there were no dog fouling bins, the parish council had tried on several occasions and the Harrogate Borough Council would not supply or empty them and therefore the bins within the village were for all use. Cllr Atkinson said that outside a 30MPH zone no one could be prosecuted. Mr Phillips said that the posters around the village were out of date with different ones stating different fines. It was agreed that no matter how much the fines were it was actually catching someone in the act so prosecution could take place. Cllr Scott to investigate the legislation.</p>

Cllr Whitehead declared the meeting closed ahead of the AGM.