
**Minutes of the East Clandon Parish Council Meeting
held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 3rd September 2014 at 7.45pm**

Present Sibylla Tindale, Ray Corstin, Clare Goodall, Al Mundy, Cllr Bill Barker, Cllr Jen Powell;
5 members of the public
Apologies Cllr Jenny Wicks, Ian Peacock
In Attendance Mary Leech (parish clerk)

Item	Action
14/072 Apologies for absence Jenny Wickes, Ian Peacock	
14/073 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest None	
14/074 Minutes of the meeting of Thursday 10th July 2014 Signed by the Chairman as a correct record.	
14/075 Matters arising, not dealt with below as separate agenda items	
a. <u>Item 14/062a Shere Hill Climb</u> . 7 September. Cathy MacMullan is organising a stall for the benefit of Cherry Trees.	
b. <u>Item 14/062b. Footpath 74 maintenance</u> . There has been no response to the letter sent to the believed owner of Clandon Manor Farm (Mr Mark Savage) in July, although the Post Office has provided proof of delivery. Mary was asked to write again, sending one copy direct to Clandon Manor Farm, and another by recorded delivery to the address in Cobham.	ML
c. <u>Item 14/062 RoSPA. 2014 Inspection of playground</u> by PlaySafety. The 2014 Report has been received. Matters needing attention have been seen to by Ray.	
d. <u>Item 14/066. War memorial names</u> . Paul Richardson is obtaining quotations from stone masons to repair and preserve the names on the memorial. Application will then be made to the War Memorial Trust for financial help.	PR/ST
e. <u>Item 14/068 a. Tree work in Sawpit Lane</u> . Permission has now been received from GBC to proceed with the work on the trees in Sawpit Lane.	ML
b. <u>Village trees</u> . Councillors decided that professional advice is needed to provide information about the general health of some of the village's mature trees. Mary will follow this up.	
f. <u>Item 069. Clandon Conversations</u> . Recordings for this oral history project have started and all is going well.	
g. <u>Item 070. Care of village benches</u> . The cost for the cleaning of the village benches will be £260. Sibylla will liaise with the Johnson family about their existing bench by the pond in Back Lane, and its replacement.	ST

14/076	<p>Financial Matters</p> <p>a. <u>Report for the month.</u> Copies of the Report until the end of July were available for councillors' inspection. (August's Statement not yet received from Nat West.) Closing balance at end of July: £9205.57.</p> <p>b. <u>Concurrent Functions Grant Aid for the period 2015-2016.</u> It was decided to ask GBC for the following Grant Aid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Playground equipment ii. Wildlife habitat improvements iii. Open Spaces improvements <p>Mary will complete the application forms.</p>	ML
14/077	<p>Planning Matters</p> <p>a. <u>New applications.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14/P/01374 Single storey rear & side extension, Cherry Cottage, Back Lane 14/T/00168 Tree Maintenance work on bay, Bay Tree Cottage 14/T/00206 Tree Maintenance and felling, Tunmore Cottage, Ripley Road 	
14/078	<p>Annual Maintenance of Back Lane Pond.</p> <p>Ray has arranged for David Smithers to provide us with 2 days work on the pond, in November.</p>	RC
14/079	<p>Bonfire in Sawpit Lane</p> <p>Concern has been expressed to the Parish Council about the bonfire heap situated on Tunmore Triangle. The sole purpose of this bonfire is for the burning of hedge clippings gathered by our Garden Contractor, there being no other way to dispose of them. Recently, the site has been used increasingly by some villagers for their garden refuse. Consequently, the heap has been unduly large and, when burnt, has generated huge amounts of smoke and great heat, to the extent that nearby properties have been endangered and trees have been burnt. Villagers will be informed (village email) that this bonfire heap is not for general use. Also, if possible, for it to be re-sited. Sibylla will discuss with Mike Cook the possibility of it being within Tunmore Fields, fenced off from the horses, and burnt at pre-arranged times only.</p>	ST
14/080	<p>The Common</p> <p>a. <u>Post and rail fencing.</u> Estimates for this work are being obtained, which can be undertaken as part of our project for improvements to the Common. The fencing will replace the existing posts, several of which are damaged or rotting.</p> <p>b. <u>Replacement of missing notice board.</u> The board was located within the Ripley Road hedgerow. Paul has undertaken to repair/repaint as necessary, and to erect it in a suitable position.</p>	PR PR
14/081	<p>WW1 Centenary Remembrance.</p> <p>It was decided to purchase two large plant urns, of a suitable heavy weight, and for them to be planted with red flowers. Sibylla will purchase the urns and the plants.</p>	ST
14/082	<p>GBC Local Plan. East Clandon Parish Council's response.</p> <p>Sibylla has drafted the parish council's objections in response to the Plan. The objections are based on 6 points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. insufficient consultation; ii. inaccuracy of base-line figures; iii. erosion of the Green Belt; iv. non-sustainability of a Settlement Boundary for East Clandon 	ST

village; v. unfairness of distribution of proposed new homes within the Borough;
vi. ruin of rural life.

With a few minor amendments suggested by councillors, Sibylla will submit this letter to GBC; with a copy to the Village.

Cllr Bill Barker pointed out that all 6 villages within his area have objected to the Plan.

ST

Any other business

- 14/083 The Dog Training Field, Ripley Road. Sibylla welcomed to the meeting three representatives from the South Valley Sports Dog Club, including the Chairman Percy Green, and Steven Byfield who has been in communication with the Parish Council. Percy outlined the objectives of the Club in the training of their dogs. Problems that have been experienced by villagers living close to the Field were discussed; and Percy welcomed any villagers who would like to watch them during their training sessions to come to the Field. There is annually an Open Day of Field trials, in November; also an annual Family Day in May to which all villagers are invited. He will inform Sibylla of dates for these events.

ST

In the absence of further business, the meeting closed at 9:45 pm

Mary Leech, Clerk to East Clandon Parish Council,
8th September 2014

The next meeting will be at 7:30pm on Wednesday 1st October 2014.