

**CLAYTON-LE-WOODS PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE  
HELD ON MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2022 AT 7.00PM  
AT THE PARISH MEETING ROOM**

**PRESENT:** Councillor M Clifford (Chairman)  
Councillor L Farnworth  
Councillor G Ormston  
Councillor N Whitham

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillor D Rogerson  
Mrs TD Morris (Clerk)

**22.14 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

After due consideration Councillor Mark Clifford was duly elected Chair for 2022/23

**22.15 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted for Cllrs D Clough.

**22.16 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There was a declaration of Interest from Councillor Mark Clifford as County Councillors for Clayton and Whittle.

**22.17 TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The TOR were scrutinised and a number of amendments were made. The revised TOR will be tabled for approval at the next FPC meeting.

**22.18 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes held on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022 were approved as a correct record.

**ACTION**

**FPC**

## **22.19 MATTERS ARISING**

### **22.05.2 Safety Concerns County Close**

This had been resolved by FPC to keep the woods under close scrutiny going forward and not to undertake any work at the present time.

### **22.05.3 Reporting Structure**

The Clerk was still awaiting the Management Agreement from the Lancashire Wildlife Trust (LWLT). This would be chased up by the Clerk. Cllr M Clifford requested that a copy of the report that John Lamb (LWLT) presented at the last FPC meeting be circulated to the Members.

### **22.06 Christmas Tree 2021/22**

The responsibility for the Christmas tree and surrounding lights would remain the responsibility of the Environment Committee. Cllrs M Clifford and S Edwards-Williams would work closely together to make the tree and the switch on event run as smoothly as possible in 2022.

## **22.20 BACK LANE WOODS MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

### **7 County Close – Request for Access**

The Members had been advised that a resident on County Close was looking to gain access to the back of the property with a digger as no access could be made from the front of the property.

There had been a site visit attended by Cllrs S Edwards-Williams and S Maddock and it was agreed at that time to table the request to the Members for a decision to be made.

The Clerk tabled the report from Steve Cowell the Contracts Manager for LWLT which stated that the movement of materials could be accommodated with a number of stipulations.

The Clerk updated the members stating that the resident could bring the materials through Woodside Avenue so the digger would only have to go up and then back down the footpath in Back Lane Woods. The members then questioned whether the digger could be transported in the same manner as the materials through Woodside Avenue.

The Members raised several concerns which they believed needed to be addressed regarding the possible damage to the footpath, risk assessments, method statement, proper licences, public liability and compensation if the path were damaged and more importantly trees could be irreparably damaged.

Clerk

<p>It was agreed that this item should be discussed at the FPC. The Clerk had been notified that the resident hoped to be able to be in attendance to answer any outstanding questions.</p>	<p>FPC</p>
<p><b>22.21 PROPOSALS FOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTING 2022</b></p>	
<p><b>1.Quotations for Timer for Floodlights</b></p>	
<p>It was agreed to let the FPC make the decision but the recommendation would be for the solar timer as this would need less management overall.</p>	<p>FPC</p>
<p><b>2.Extension of Lighting Scheme Costs</b></p>	
<p>It was recommended that a Working Group be convened to go through the various options involved and then report back to the FPC in due course.</p>	<p>FPC</p>
<p><b>22.22 UPDATE ON SPID PROVISION</b></p>	
<p>After due discussion it was agreed to go ahead with the existing locations and to let LCC make a determination regarding the site outside the GP Surgery.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p><b>22.23 DOGGY BAG DISPENSER COSTS</b></p>	
<p>The members were informed that some 50,000 bio degradable doggy bags had been purchased at a cost of £1100 + VAT. The budget had been reduced in error and would be adjusted accordingly for the coming financial year.</p>	<p>FPC</p>
<p><b>22.24 DEFIBRILLATOR PROVISION LOCATION</b></p>	
<p>The Clerks advised that it had been suggested that a new location be investigated in light of their being a number of defibrillators in the West Ward of the Parish. After due discussion it was agreed to go forward as planned with the defibrillator to be stationed on the Wigan Road at the Co-op in the first instance.</p>	<p>AA</p>
<p><b>22.25 HANGING BASKETS UPDATE 2022</b></p>	
<p>The Clerk stated that she wished to thank the Clerk at Whittle Parish Council for her collaboration which made the project possible this year. It was hoped that the one off grant would be available to the Parish council to off set the lighting column testing that had to be undertaken.</p>	
<p>Cllr M Clifford would be investigating the matter with LCC in due course.</p>	<p>MC/Clerk</p>

**22.26 SKIP DAY INITIATIVES**

It was agreed that the previous skip day had been a success. The three locations would remain the same. Cllr M Clifford would liaise with Quercia to see if they would donate 2 of the skips and Chorley Council would be able to donate one skip. It was hoped that the date for the skip day would be some time during the Autumn.

**MC**

**22.27 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would be scheduled during September 2022.

**Clerk**