

The Chairman congratulated Councillor Parr and Claverley in Bloom on achieving a gold award at the Heart of Britain in Bloom awards ceremony and on being nominated to represent the village section in the Britain in Bloom national competition in 2015. Councillor Parr explained that this had implications for CIB as it would need much greater support from the local community with new initiatives. An expanded campaign would mean the budget would have to be increased. The judging of the regional competition will take place in July and the judging of the national competition will take place by different judges in August.

The Parish Council expressed support for the suggestion that the eastern splay area of Boundary Close be cleared and planted with more colourful material. The western splay would be more difficult to cultivate due to the steepness of the bank and tree roots. Pocket planting with varieties used on the Tennis Club bank was being considered. Support was also given to the suggestion of planting daffodil bulbs on the grass verge opposite Boundary Close. Councillor Parr will be consulting with Mrs. Farquharson.

The shrubs and trees growing on the Aston Lane bank near the telephone exchange had become overgrown and required cutting back and ivy removed. An ash tree looked in poor condition and would be inspected next Spring.

CIB was investigating the construction of a planting bed on one of the verges at the entrance to Clover Heath. Councillor Lawrence thought the residents in the immediate vicinity were in favour of this proposal.

As 2015 will be CIB's 10th anniversary, it was proposed to expand the existing "green space" planting scheme in Danesbrook if the residents were willing to support the scheme. A flyer will be delivered to each household and residents will be involved drawing up planting proposals.

The winter planting scheme had been undertaken and the daffodil bulbs will be planted on Saturday, 1st November. A slightly raised planting bed had been created in Church Street by the "Welcome to Claverley" sign in an attempt to improve the range of plants that can be grown in this shaded site.

CIB and Claverley School will undertake a "Womble" themed litter pick, promoted by Keep Britain Tidy, on 21st October.

Due to the low number of participants in this year's hanging basket competition, thought was being given to a different type of competition for 2015.

148/14 QEII Jubilee Field

Councillor Cook reported that moles were working on the bank. He had contacted Jo Derrer who would deal with the problem. The Football Club had been asked to remove the remaining pile of soil which had not been used for filling in the lines.

The Football Club will be invoiced in December and at the end of the season for the charge for home matches.

149/14 Parish Plan

The Clerk reported that Shropshire RCC had found the analysis of the questionnaires was taking much longer than anticipated. She had explained to Renee Wallace the importance of obtaining the results as soon as possible in order to prepare the Place Plan.

150/14 Street Lights

The Clerk reported the order for the additional columns and lanterns had been placed with Mike Smith Designs and the order acknowledgment stated a delivery date of 12th November.

The Clerk had not received the quotation from E.ON for taking down the street light fixed to the wall of 5 High Street and installing one of the new columns and lanterns near All Saints Cottage. Confirmation had also not been received if any modification would be required to enable one of the new lanterns to be fitted to the column outside Dormers, High Street.

Action: Clerk to contact Garry Johnson

151/14 Bonfire and Fireworks Event

Councillor Cook reported that attempts to obtain a first aider had so far been unsuccessful as neither Mrs. Barnett nor Mrs. Lawrence were able to help.

The partner of Malcolm Gwinnett from Jubilee Fireworks had offered to provide ring donuts and hot drinks. If the Parish Council would like her to provide these items she was prepared to make a donation of £50

Action: Clerk to inform Mr. Gwinnett that the Parish Council agreed to the above.

Councillor Cook asked volunteers to meet on the field at 12.30 p.m. on 8th November to help set up for the event.

152/14 Parish Council Insurance

A cheque for £783.23 had been received in settlement of the Parish Council's claim for the damaged street light outside 16 Clover Heath. The policy excess of £250.00 had been deducted.

At present each street light was insured for £1033.23. As the cost of the new columns and lanterns will exceed this amount, the Clerk was asked find out what the increase in premium would be if the sum insured was increased to £2000 for each street light.

153/14 **PLANNING**

Permissions

14/03924/TCA Notification of works to include the felling of one Douglas Pine tree within Claverley Conservation Area, The Old Vicarage, Bull Ring, Claverley for Mr. Anthony Fenwick-Wilson

New Application

14/04025/FUL Erection of stable block with tack and hay store, Shipley Cottage, Bridgnorth Road, Shipley for Mrs. S. Smith.
The Parish Council did not have any objections.

14/04050/FUL Erection of rear extension; front porch and alterations to existing roof to include new dormers and roof lights. Alter and form new access, Cotswold Coombe, Draycott, Claverley for Mr. M. Anslow.
The Parish Council did not have any objections.

14/04373/FUL Replacement of an existing conservatory on the rear elevation, 10 The Paddock, Claverley for Mr. S. Redshaw.
The Parish Council did not have any objections.

154/14 **PARISH MATTERS**

Councillor Parr was concerned about the large number of dead trees in hedgerows which could fall in high winds blocking roads.

Action: Clerk to put item in 'Halo' asking landowners to check their hedgerows

Councillor Caswell expressed concern about the poor state of repair of Admoor Lane. The Clerk reminded the meeting that Councillor Woodward had reported at the September meeting that an order had been raised with Ringway for repair work to be undertaken.

The Clerk reported that one of the signs indicating there was a Satnav error and vehicles could not get through Danford Lane to Claverley was missing from the Danford end of Danford Lane

Action: Clerk to inform Shropshire Highways

Councillor Parr expressed concern about poor mobile signals in the parish.

Action: Clerk to put this on the next agenda

The Clerk had been contacted by Mr. Godfrey who was concerned the mirror had not been installed at Hopstone. Councillor Cotham informed the meeting that this would be done when the road was closed for work to be carried out.

As Chyknell Hall was up for sale, Councillor Cotham expressed concern about the future status of The Shrine as in the past the previous owners of Chyknell had maintained it.

Action: Clerk to make enquiries

155/14 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Notification of road closures

Notification had been received from Shropshire Council that a manhole cover will be replaced on 16th November necessitating closure of the section of Aston Lane between the turning to Danford and the turning to Danford Heath between 8.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m.

Powells Lane from the Draycott junction to the ford will be closed on Friday, 28th November between 8.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. to allow carriageway resurfacing.

The Clerk had not received notification that Watery Lane was going to be closed for repairs to be carried out.

Festive Illuminations

Councillor Parr informed the meeting that spare bulbs for the Christmas lights were required. Ken Jones was able to purchase these at a cost of £1.70 per bulb which was cheaper than the price the Parish Council would have to pay.

It was proposed by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor Caswell and agreed by the Council that 20 bulbs should be purchased by Mr. Jones.

Western Power Distribution had asked for inventory details to be submitted if the Parish Council was intending to have festive lighting over the Christmas period so that a certificate of consumption could be issued.

It was agreed the Christmas lights will be switched on following the Advent Service on Sunday, 30th November. The Advent service will commence at 5.30 p.m. and the Vicar thought 6.30 p.m. would allow sufficient time for the congregation to leave the church. Gordon Drury had confirmed he would be able to provide the P.A. equipment. It was hoped to put up the lights on Sunday, 23rd November.

Action: Clerk to invite Mrs. Margaret Farquharson to switch on the lights and ask the school to nominate a young pupil. Clerk to send inventory details to Western Power Distribution and submit an application to Shropshire Council for permission to put up the lights.

Place Plan Annual Review

Shropshire Council had asked parish councils to review the information currently contained within their Place Plan and notify Shropshire Council of any changes they wished to make.

The Annual Review Return should be signed by the Parish Council Chairman and Shropshire Council member and returned to Hayley Deighton, Principal Policy Officer, by 5th January.

Councillor Parr raised the issue of the lack of a public car park in Claverley and, as two public houses were up for sale, it was possible that future use of these car parks would be lost which would create a serious problem when functions such as the Flower Festival, weddings, funerals were held.

Action: Clerk to ask Councillor Woodward to make enquiries with the Planning Officer

Councillor Whitmore left the meeting

SALC AGM

Notification had been received that the Annual General Meeting and Conference will take place on Saturday, 1st November at The Shirehall, Shrewsbury commencing at 9.45 a.m.

BT Cabinets – Connecting Shropshire

Graham Downes, Shropshire Highways, had forwarded information he had received regarding the installation of BT equipment cabinets in the parish for the Connecting Shropshire superfast broadband project. These cabinets will be installed opposite Orchard Close, the Aston Lane/The Wold junction and near The Corner House, Ludstone.

Bridgnorth, Worfield, Alveley and Claverley Local Joint Committee

Notification had been received that the Local Joint Committee meeting will take place on Wednesday, 15th October at the People's Hall Evangelical Church, St. John's Street, Bridgnorth commencing at 7.00 p.m..

Shropshire Community Transport Survey

Parish Councils had been invited to participate in a survey which will help the Shropshire Community Transport Company, a consortium of all community based not-for-profit transport providers in the County, to examine opportunities to expand and diversify the transport services they offer.

Action: Clerk to reply stating the results of the Parish Plan questionnaire will help provide the Parish Council's answers to the survey which will be returned as soon as the analysis has been received.

156/14 CHEQUES

Chq. No. 001205	Mike Smith Designs Ltd. – balance due for purchase of an additional 3 street light columns and 4 LED lanterns.....	£3716.40
001206	Shropshire RCC – renewal of annual membership.....	£26.00
001207	Mrs. G.M. Price – reimbursement for cost of Broadband 07/07/14 to 06/10.14.....	£64.68
001208	M.E. Harris – strim Aston Lane bank.....	£280.00
001209	CPRE – renewal of annual membership.....	£36.00
001210	Npower Ltd. – energy for street lights	
	- 01/04/14 to 30/06/14.....	£1006.47
	- 01/07/14 to 30/09/14.....	£1017.54
		£2024.01
001211	Mrs. G.M. Price – Clerk's salary 30/06/14 to 28/09/14 (13 weeks).....	£698.47
001212	Float for bonfire and fireworks event.....	£1000.00

It was proposed by Councillor Lawrence, seconded by Councillor Caswell and agreed by the Council to pass the cheques for payment.

As Councillor Cook had raised concerns about paying the balance for the street lights before the order had been delivered, it was agreed that the Clerk would not send the cheque at present. Councillor Whitmore offered to contact Mike Smith Designs Ltd.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.33 p.m.

Date of next meeting: Monday, 10th November at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall