



Steeple Claydon Parish Council

Notice of the March 2019 Parish Council Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Steeple Claydon Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 05 March 2019 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall, 48 Queen Catherine Road, Steeple Claydon, to conduct the business detailed below. The meeting is open to the public and you are welcome to attend to hear about the activities of the parish council.

If a Parishioner wishes to raise an issue they will have the opportunity during Public Participation. If the subject is not resolved and does not relate to an agenda item, the chair may decide to defer the matter to a future meeting. Matters raised in connection with agenda items will be discussed under that item. Members of the public are not allowed to speak during the meeting unless invited to do so by the Chair

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Declarations of Interest
3. Minutes
4. Chairman's Comments
5. Public Participation
6. Clerk's Report
 - a. To receive a summary report from the Clerk of all significant activities and correspondence since the last meeting
 - i. Clerk VOIP phone and ansaphone request

7. Councillors
 - a. Signing in of new Councillor Paul Hammond
 - b. Co-Option of another Councillor for discussion

8. Street Lighting

To receive summary from the clerk regarding the current status of reported streetlight faults and update on streetlight audit.

9. Working Group Update on activities and recommendations:

- a. Finance
 - i. To approve the payments listed in the cheque run for the month
 - ii. Preparation for council audit
 - iii. S106 monies update after meeting
- b. Recreation Ground
 - i. To receive report from the Recreation Ground Working Group
 - ii. Clock Tower opening date TBC
 - iii. Dog fouling issues at the Recreation Ground/ Dog Warden - clerk
 - iv. Mrs Wiggins – Car Boot Sale request at Recreation Ground / Pavilion in July for St Michael's Church – via clerk

c. Village Hall, Library and cottage

- i. To receive report from the Village Hall Working Group
- ii. Bus Shelter update Cllr Smith

d. Communications and Events

- i. To receive report from the Communications and Events Working Group
- ii. Preparation for Annual Parish Meeting – May 2019
- iii. SCPC Communications policy for planning applications – Cllr Firth
- iv. Councillor email addresses – specific SCPC ones requested by clerk for all PC members
- v. Ivo Heist email re Enchanted Cinema & Winslow Lions – via Clerk

e. Planning

- i. To receive report from the Planning Working Group
- ii. To review the following planning application

Planning Applications;

- 19/00440/APP – Erection of six arena floodlights for equestrian use (retrospective)
Comments by 08.03.19

10. HS2 / E-W Rail / E-W Expressway

- a. Update – Vegetation Clearance

11. Vicarage Orchard

- a. Update regarding improvements, investments and work to the Vicarage Orchard
- b. To remind the council that the freehold of this land should be secured by the parish council in March 2019.

12. Bucks LAF (Local Area Forum)

- a. Cllr Barrett update after meeting – see Clerk note

13. Best Kept Village

- a. 2019 entry details

14. Future Agenda Items

Councillors are invited to propose items for next month's agenda

Hannah Holmes
Parish Clerk
26/02/2019

Clerk notes

- **LAF response /update from Cheryl Snudden**

All vegetation within the red-line boundary will be removed. Where the red line boundary runs along an existing hedgerow (such as along Queen Catherine Road), the intention is to try and leave the hedgerow in place but each location is considered on a case by case basis. Where the road runs through the middle of the red line boundary area (such as Perry Hill and Addison Road), the hedgerow on both sides will be removed. If the removal of the hedgerow introduces a security risk or a risk of animals escaping, fencing, or other measures, will be installed to mitigate this. Where such risks do not occur, no fencing will be installed.

Further to this I have been asked the question in regard to nesting birds and thought you may want to additionally know the information below.

Legislation demands that nesting birds (along with other protected species) are not disturbed. This is often done by halting works within the anticipated bird nesting season (usually March to September).

However it is still possible to work in these months as long as sufficient ecology surveys are carried out in advance, and during the works, by a qualified ecologist, to ensure that no nesting birds are disturbed. Clearly the winter months give a much better opportunity to work without disturbing nesting birds, but we may continue with works in the summer months if the ecology surveys permit this to be done without any disturbance to any nesting birds.

In addition to nesting birds we also need to work within legislative requirements for other protected species such as great crested newts, badgers, bats, reptiles, butterflies etc.

Cheryl Snudden will be at SC Village Hall on Thursday 07 March from 15.00 – 18.00

- **Dog Fouling** – AVDC website www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/dog-fouling

More information and what to do.

To address the problem of dog fouling, the council has made an order under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 that requires all dog owners to clean up after their dog if the dog fouls in a place to which the public has access.

This includes roads with speed limits of up to 40mph and adjoining verges and footways, public footpaths, most parks, play areas, recreation grounds, playing fields, canal towpaths, churchyards and cemeteries and allotments.

It is an offence for dog owners to fail to clear up after their dogs.

Dog wardens are authorised to serve fixed penalty notices on anyone allowing their dog to foul in a public place. Offenders can be issued with a fixed penalty notice or a fine of up to £1,000 if the case goes to court.

Being unaware that your dog has fouled or not having a suitable means of clearing up after your dog is no excuse.

Reporting offenders

Dog fouling is more effectively tackled when the whole community works together. The majority of dog owners act responsibly, but there are those that don't and think they can get away with it by not

picking up after their pet. If repeat dog fouling offences are reported, irresponsible dog owners may think twice about their actions.

Do you:

Know of a dog owner who does not pick up after their pet?

- If the dogs are usually exercised at a certain time during the day?
- Know what time(s) are the offences occurring and where?
- Have a description of what the dog(s) look like?
- Have a description of the person walking the dog?
- Know if the dog walker is using a car and what is the number on the registration plate

To help us to achieve a cleaner, healthier neighbourhood, please provide as much information as you can to give us a better the chance of catching the offenders.

To report repeat dog fouling incidents to our enforcement team please fill in the [online form](#).

- Dog wardens only patrol between 08.00 and 17.00
- Will attend for up to an hour at a pre-specified time
- Signage – to get Anne to ring me back as she can provide

- **Buckingham Road / St Michael's Way corner**

– proposed place for dog poo-bin

With reference to your recent request, I have no objections to the installation of a dog waste bin on the public highway.

I have assumed that the parish council will continue to be responsible for the bin and that it will be freestanding or attached to existing street furniture.

If excavation in the highway is required then you should apply for a Section 171 licence.

Regards

Paul Foot

Local Area Technician

Transport for Buckinghamshire



- **Co-Op bin & Recreation Ground bin**

Thanks for the email and sorry for the delay in these being supplied. I had asked the facilities manager for your area to make arrangements for a larger bin to be fitted to the front of store and one for the recreation area.

I have chased up for an update so will update as soon as they come back to me.

Kind regards

Andy

Andy Poole

Capital Delivery Manager - Construction

Co-op Property

- Heist email – 'I noticed on the SCPC agenda of last Tuesday meeting the agenda item:

Enchanted Cinema event - I think it as a great idea to organise something like that but maybe we don't need a commercial company to organise such an event because it is fairly simple.

Last Wednesday we, The Lions Club Winslow, supported to first cinema event organised by the Big Society Winslow at the Bowls Club in Winslow. Effectively we did most of the logistics except publicity. We had quite a good turnout of 40 people on an afternoon event.

The Lions club as a larger screen like Enchanted Cinema and professional sound and projector equipment. We are planning to upgrade the sounds system which will include wireless headphone connection facilities because quite a few people have hearing problems.

It was a free entrance event and relying on donations. The hiring of the hall and our annual licence of £160 to show films was all paid off and a profit made by just one event. We plan to do this monthly with moving the event to the park outside when the weather gets better.

We would probably be quite happy to give support to Steeple Claydon PC(does it need to be PC?) and I think there is enough local community engagement to organise this with volunteers and some commercial sponsors and business involvement.'