LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER ON MONDAY,
07th SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J Cutting
Councillors: C Amor, J Taylor, L Gray, D Botterell, JS Daye, M Balbirnie, G Duffett
District Councillor: Cllr Bray
Essex County Councillor: Cllr Bray

5 members of the public were in attendance.

09/2026 – 01 | Welcome
Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

09/2026 – 02 | Apologies for Absence
Cllrs A Mitchell, J Mitchell, D Steele.

09/2026 – 03 | Declarations of Interest
To declare the existence and nature of any 'personal' or 'pecuniary and prejudicial' interest relating to the items on the agenda. Cllr M Balbirnie noted she would not vote on item 14.

09/2026 – 04 | To agree the minutes of the council meeting held 3rd August 2026
Resolved: The minutes be accepted as a true record. Proposed Cllr Gray, Seconded Cllr Duffett – all in favour.

09/2026 – 05 | Public Forum
Members spoke on the following: No comments.

09/2026 – 06 | Clerk's Report / Correspondence
The clerk gave a verbal update on local matters including lighting, roadworks and other matters of interest.

- tree survey took place and one tree has had work on Galloway Drive

09/2026 – 07 | Chairman's Report
The Chairman gave an update on the following matters concerning the village:

- a meeting took place with TDC environmental officers about bins in the village, a report was presented to Council about an increase in costs.
- new bins to be installed at the end of Elm Road and St. Osyth Road East – proposed Cllr JS DAYE, Seconded Cllr L Gray – all in favour
- signs for the new mobile speed camera are due any day
- tree survey has taken place
- a choir has been booked for the Christmas village hall event

- correspondence from MOP about the access to the field – our project is ongoing
- TDC have started their final consultation for the development plan

09/2026 – 08 | Crime and Prevention
Cllr Amor produced the crime report for June. Speed reports for the SIDS documented. Concerns over the lights on the crossing by the pub. Lights/signage need improving.

09/2026 – 09 | Working Party / Committee Reports

Maintenance and Services
Cllr A Mitchell reported:
- sent apologies

Footpaths
Cllr Gray noted an earth cable is overhanging the path on footpath next to BlackSmiths

Streetlights
The Clerk said that lights are being addressed as and when they are brought to our attention. No issues.

Planning
To consider the planning applications received from Tendring District Council
Councillor J Taylor sent her apologies. Cllr Taylor read out the comments made by the Planning Group on the applications listed below.
26/01243/FULHH - 54 Weeley Road CO16 9EN
Householder Planning Application - Single storey side extension, two first floor side dormer and removal of existing porch to reveal original ground floor bay window.
Recommend Approval
26/01197/OUT - Land rear of 74-78 Holland Road CO16 9RS
Outline Planning Application (all matters reserved) - Erection of up to three dwellings and associated infrastructure.
Recommend Approval
26/01101/VOC - Plot 4A The Meadows CO16 9SE
Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act for Variation of Conditions 2 (Approved Plans), Condition 3 (Landscaping) and Condition 9 (Planting 1 Metre Back) of application 25/00163/FUL to allow for revised building design.
Recommend Approval
Resolved: the month's applications be reported to TDC as per the Planning groups recommendations. Proposed Cllr Botterell, Seconded Cllr Amor – all in favour.

LITTLE CLACTON PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PLOUGH CORNER ON MONDAY,
07th SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 7.30 PM

Business Group
A meeting took place and projects are making progress.

Solar Report
Cllr Amor provided a report.

Village Improvements
The Chairman noted we are now moving forward with ideas.

09/2026 – 10 | TDALC

- No meeting

09/2026 – 11 | Committee Reports

Little Clacton Playing Field Trust
Car show was a success. Football is coming back on stream. Car Boots were successful and no cancellations this year.

Village Hall
Cllr M Balbirnie noted:

- The family thank the PC for their card, kind wishes and attendance at Peter's funeral
- VH busy with bookings
- thanks to all volunteers who continue to support the hall
- front hedge has been cut and looks good
- a meeting will take place to look at the membership of the committee of the hall – Peter will be a hard act to follow!

Millennium Green
Cllr J Taylor/Cllr Amor noted:

- one sorn vehicle
- Gary Duffett will take on the green maintenance
- hedges need to be done – contact contractor

09/2026 – 12| District and County Councillor Report

Cllr Bray reported on the following points:

- local plan out to consultation TDC
- Plough Corner is due for road upgrades, just complications on the junction and potential closure
- petition received, a speed survey will be looked into
- parking around Galloway Drive
- amber bees – organisation that deal with online safety in schools will be going into local schools including the village

- change in planning rules will mean no call-ins will be allowed. Gateway is the new mechanism for concerns over applications
- LGR has been thrown out

09/2026 – 13 | Policies
Resolved: To adopt the following policies: FOI publication scheme, GDPR, information & data protection, Subject access request procedure and Information technology. Proposed Cllr Botterell, Seconded Cllr Amor – all in favour

09/2026 – 13 | Finance and Motions
Resolved: To agree the monthly payments. Proposed JS Daye, Cllr Seconded Cllr M Balbirnie – all in favour.
Resolved: To agree to donate £150 to Cllr Balbirnie's charity. Proposed Cllr Botterell, Seconded Cllr Amor – all in favour

09/2026 – 14 | Items for future consideration
Hartley Gardens

Meeting Closed 20:32pm
The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th October 20.36pm, 2026

Signed Chairman