

CLAYTON-LE-WOODS PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE COMPLAINTS MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11TH JULY 2022
AT THE PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY MEETING ROOMS/OFFICE, 239A
PRESTON ROAD, CLAYTON LE WOODS, CHORLEY, PR6 7PY**

PRESENT: Councillor Mr P Gabbott (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs S Edwards-Williams
Councillor Mrs C Billouin
Councillor Mrs G Charlesworth
Councillor Mr D Clough
Councillor Mrs L Farnworth
Councillor Mr S Lowe
Councillor Mr D Rogerson (8)

In Attendance: Mrs L Gallagher (Admin Assistant)
Mrs TD Morris (Clerk)
Mr David Lees
Mr Philip Sunley

ACTION

WELCOME

All the participants were welcomed to the meeting.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted for Cllr Mrs D Dowrick, Cllr Ms J Cronshaw and Cllr Ms C Bromilow.

INTRODUCTION

Cllr Gabbott advised that 4 Councillors had been omitted from the meeting in case an appeal was made. The Cllrs include Cllr Mr M Clifford, Cllr Mr N Whitham, Cllr Mr S Maddock and Cllr Mrs G Ormston.

COMPLAINT BY MR D LEES

Mr David Lees questioned points in the Complaint Procedure.

Cllr Gabbott responded that it is the Parish Council's belief that the procedure was duly followed.

Mr Lees read out his formal complaint.

RESPONSE FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL BY THE CLERK

The Clerk read out the response on behalf of the Parish Council.

Chairman's Signature.....



QUESTIONS

Mr Sunley stated that we have assumed The Ley Inn have a disabled toilet.

Mr Lees advised he has had to move stones off the green which could break the lawnmower. He has seen people with heels on, children running around the green, dog on the green and they have had to remove dog faeces from the green.

Cllr Gabbott stated the Council would like to thank Mr Lees for removal of stones and dog faeces from the green.

Mr Sunley stated he sent photos into the Clerk of children playing football on the green and didn't receive a response. The Clerk apologised for this.

Cllr Gabbott stated that there are a number of municipal sites in Chorley open without gates including Harpers Lane and St Joseph's.

Mr Lees stated he wants to work with the council.

Mr Lees is concerned about The Ley Inn getting busier and the bowling green being misused.

Mr Lees has asked that Cllr M Clifford would not hear the complaint or appeal as he believes there is a personality clash and he feels he was responsible for the removal of the gates.

Cllr Charlesworth stated that Cllr Clifford did not make the decision on the gates but the Parish Council as a whole did.

Cllr Gabbott agreed that Cllr Clifford would be excluded from the complaints process.

Cllr Edwards-Williams said she was disappointed that the bowling team did not respond to the offer of a stall at our Summer Fair. She states they could have promoted their event and team.

Mr Lees advised he was at The Ley Inn from 11:45-4pm on Saturday 25th June which was the day of the Summer Fair for people to come to meet him.

Chairman's Signature.....



CLW PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

The Council stated they were unaware of the bowling team's event at The Ley Inn.

Mr Lees invited the whole Council to come and bowl.

Cllr Charlesworth advised she knows about the green and was on the Council when the site was located, and the bowling green was built.

Mr Lees stated that the green gets slippery when wet and the benches are peeling.

The Clerk, complainant and his representative were asked to leave the meeting at this point so that the Parish Council could make their deliberations

DELIBERATION

Deliberations took place and several actions were agreed by the Parish Council which will be sent out by letter as per the Complaints procedure.

The Administrative Assistant will type up the response and send to the complainant within 7 working days as highlighted in the complaints procedure.

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Chairman's Signature.....