



# CLAVERING NEWSLETTER

## CLAVERING PARISH COUNCIL

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### Parish Council Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> June 2020:

The Council met virtually by 'Zoom', with three parishioners in attendance; the District Councillor was present for part while the County Councillor 'arrived' but had a technical fault before he could speak. One Councillor gave apologies.

Of note in the meeting:

The Chair welcomed all, noting the reopened facilities in the village. A parishioner complimented the Council on the running of virtual meetings. In reply to questions, the Chair stated that it is a Monitoring Officer, following agreed policy, who determines the course/s of action to be taken regarding complaints made about councillors and alleged breaches of the Code of Conduct; and that CPC budgets for training.

A parishioner was asked to forward his comments regarding the Draft Greens Policy to the Clerk for the Working Party to consider. Further to a question, a parishioner confirmed that current Covid-19 advice is that the Speedwatch programme in villages remains in abeyance.

Given travel costs of the Community Heartbeat recommended electrician, a local quote will be sought for installation of the new defibrillator at the Shop

Agreed to instruct a tree survey to be carried out after quote received from arboriculturalist for trees at Dick Ball Meadow and Lower Hill Green

On 23<sup>rd</sup> July after a tree surgeon's inspection and advice, immediate emergency work was carried out to completely fell the Acacia Tree at ColeHills Close as one of its trunk's multi-stems had fallen and there was the risk of remaining stems falling on cars, walls or residences.

Agreed to write to new property owners at Hill Green to inform them of the Registered Village Green status adjacent to their property

The Clerk continues the process of uploading information onto the new PC website. Please contact the Clerk if you wish to access any information that is not yet posted there, or if you find a mis-posted document. There is a direct messaging link from the website.

Agreed to sign renewed wayleave documents relating to the Jubilee Field (as Custodian Trustee)

Agreed to respond to the Local Government Consultation on the Code of Conduct

Draft Village Green and Parish Land Policy presented. Feedback to be sent to the Clerk or Chairman  
Reports received from the PC Chair re. EALC forum for a Health and Wellbeing Plan and the Chairman Forums

Works to the ECC Byway 60 at Starlings Green next to a scheduled historic monument noted; ECC to be contacted as no advice of the works permissions traced.

The quarterly accounts statements were received. As neither the income nor expenditure of the Council had exceeded £25,000, the exemption document for the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 2019/2020 was approved for signing. The Council, as a matter of course, completed and approved the AGAR Statements and Chairman's Statement.

District Cllr Oliver stated that re. new Draft Local Plan, the present administration appears not to wish for garden communities, which infers new build will need to be placed in existing towns and parishes, but nothing has been put forward formally and there will need to be a new call for sites.

He also asked the CPC to support residents re. a rodent problem in the village especially if UDC need to be contacted.

Per advice, matters relating to a dispute and employment were discussed *in camera*

### Planning Received for PC Comment:

**UTT/20/1357/LB: Wakefares Hill Green:** Property repairs comprising; recovering of the front pitched roof reusing existing tiles, recovering of flat dormer roofs, fitting of cowls to the chimney pots, replacement of cement render with lime render, replacement windows, new external doorset, internal

first floor ceiling renewal to some bedrooms, alterations to first floor bathroom layout, bedroom door positions, ground floor WC utility area and external painting of the house. **No Comments**

**UTT/20/1508/HHF & UTT/20/1509/LB: Peacocks Clatterbury Lane:** Partially rebuild and extend existing modern extension to rear. **No comments**

**UTT/20/1397/HHF: Jobest Stortford Road:** Demolition of garage. Two storey rear extension, loft conversion and 2 no. dormer windows to front elevation. **No comments**

**UTT/20/1223/HHF: Butts Green Farm Butts Green:** Revised scheme to that approved under UTT/14/2599/FUL for erection of stable block and change of use of land from agricultural to paddock and formation of manege. **Comments made**

**UTT/20/1071/OP: Clavering Farm Mill Lane:** Outline application with all matters reserved for the demolition of glasshouse, and erection of 1 no. dwelling, with associated curtilage, car parking and landscaping. **No comments**

#### **Planning Approved by UDC:**

**UTT/20/0667/FUL: Land Rear Of Side Stream High Street:** Erection of 6 no. dwellings including widening of existing bridge. **Refused**

**UTT/20/0782/HHF & UTT/20/0783/LB: Roast Farm Langley Road:** Proposed two storey side extension (revised scheme to approved UTT/17/0266/HHF and UTT/17/0267/LB) **Approved with conditions**

**UTT/20/0913/FUL: Ashcroft Wicken Road:** Erection of 4no. detached dwellings with associated landscaping and cartlodge parking (Revised scheme to UTT/19/1381/FUL approved under appeal APP/C1570/W/19/3241983) **Approved with conditions**

**UTT/20/1139/FUL: Land Rear Of Hillcrest Hill Green:** Erection of 1no. dwelling - Revised scheme to that approved under UTT/18/1837/FUL. **Approved with Conditions**

**UTT/20/1163/HHF: Lambourne Stortford Road:** Proposed single storey rear extension and loft conversion. **Approved with conditions**

**Approved Council Minutes and Financial Statements will be found on the Parish Council website:**

[www.claveringparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.claveringparishcouncil.gov.uk) Please note this is the final, updated website name.

**Draft Council Minutes are posted on the Parish Council Board and the website.**

**The Council meets the second Monday of each month.**

**The next Agenda can be found in the week before each Meeting on the Parish Council's notice board by the Post Box at Clavering Shop, and the Parish Council website with the latter also providing the supporting meeting documents**

The next Parish Council Meeting will be called as a virtual meeting for 10<sup>th</sup> August 2020, and it is expected that this meeting will concern itself with Planning only, unless any urgent matter arises.

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#### **Information Links:**

Clavering Parish Council: <https://www.facebook.com/claveringparishcouncil/>

Clavering Village Group: <https://en-gb.facebook.com/groups/584326808323632/>

Clavering and Langley Coronavirus Community Help Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1493303037497469>

Uttlesford Community Response: 03333 408218 or [communityresponse@uttlesford.gov.uk](mailto:communityresponse@uttlesford.gov.uk)

Uttlesford District Council: [www.uttlesford.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/coronavirus)

Uttlesford Frontline: [www.uttlesfordfrontline.org.uk](http://www.uttlesfordfrontline.org.uk)

Essex County Council: [beta.essex.gov.uk/news/coronavirus](http://beta.essex.gov.uk/news/coronavirus)

Essex Coronavirus Action: [www.facebook.com/essexcoronavirusaction/](https://www.facebook.com/essexcoronavirusaction/)

Essex Welfare Service: [essexwelfareservice.org/](http://essexwelfareservice.org/)

Citizens Advice Bureau: 01799 618840 or [www.uttlesfordcab.org.uk](http://www.uttlesfordcab.org.uk)

Kemi Badenoch MP: <https://www.kemibadenoch.org.uk/coronavirus-covid-19-advice-and-guidance>

#### **Village Green Waste Service**

**8<sup>th</sup> August : 5<sup>th</sup> September : 3<sup>rd</sup> October : 31<sup>st</sup> October : 28<sup>th</sup> November**

This service is available for Clavering and Langley residents only (paid for via their parish precepts)

## **Bee Orchids at Lower Hill Green**

Approaching 70 Bee Orchids were spotted this year, along with a few white pyramidials! Amazing!

## **St Clare's Hospice - Clavering Fundraising Events**

All events planned for this year are postponed; the Spring Fair will now be held in April 2021 while the talk on Antiques by Tim Turner will take place in Autumn 2021. AP

**Jubilee Field Management Committee** has met twice 'virtually' since lockdown.

Although the Adventure Playground was closed, we still ensured safety inspections took place including the scheduled one carried out by RoSPA in June so the playground could be opened as soon government guidance permitted, which we then did!!

The new Playground Rules are now displayed at the Field and enclosed with this newsletter.

Fundraising is currently curtailed, but we have booked in our Annual Quiz for 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Our AGM will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October - in person or by Zoom. More details to follow. DD

**Clavering Bowls Club** welcomes the easing of restrictions for bowling.

This means the Club can now invite anyone interested in fresh air and light exercise to arrange their own introductory session to bowling with one of the Club's coaches.

Just telephone Lee, Sue or Donna to make a date with one of our coaches at a time to suit you (from 12 noon). You will also be given a leaflet which describes the game, the terms used and what to expect. Families welcome.

We assure you that we are following Bowls England's guidelines and the Club is continuing to sanitise all the equipment used. SH

**Bowling green and Clubhouse are at the far side of Jubilee Field, alongside the tennis courts**

**Clavering Cricket Club** will be hosting its first game of 2020 on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July against Woodcutters, starting at 2pm.

The Club has to abide by directives from the England Cricket Board to ensure the games can be played as safely as possible. The directives and government guidance apply to both players and spectators. It would be lovely to see supporters on the boundary, but please do not approach the teams at the breaks as this is not advised. Supporters are also required to keep to the current government guidance for outdoor gatherings, which currently is in groups of two households or 6 people from different households. The pavilion will not be opened and, sadly, Clavering's renown cricket teas cannot be served.... but there will be cricket on the green this year!! BG

Upcoming games: 2<sup>nd</sup> August away at Stocking Pelham 9<sup>th</sup> August at home versus Hatfield Heath

**Rodents** It has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that there appears to be a proliferation of rodents near certain housing areas in the village. UDC Environmental Health suggest that food left out for birds is not placed on the floor but is put into feeders, which should then discourage rodents.

**UDC Environmental Health** also asks that dog owners: **'Bag it & Bin it and remember any bin will do! But it's preferable to take it home and use your black lidded bin'**.

Some of the litter bins in the village are very close to benches in the sun, so do try to be considerate of others if using the bins around the village. The PC is investigating whether any 'closed' dog bins could be provided now or whether UDC is still following its previous policies.

## Website Link to report Highway problems to Essex County Council

<http://www.essexhighways.org/transport-and-roads.aspx>

This website page can be used to report problems (such as potholes, traffic lights not working, pavement/kerb/drainage defects, overgrown trees or hedges, blocked/damaged footpaths, and more). We encourage parishioners to use this service as we find that Essex CC responds more swiftly to problems reported on-line and also a reference number for the report is generated immediately. This link can also be used to check outstanding queries, road closures, gritting routes and bus information.

### YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

**Chair:** Stephanie Gill:   **Vice Chair:** Robert Clayton:

**Councillors:** Brian Barrow:   Richard Carter:   Nigel Cook:

Ron Couchman:   Mike Patmore:   Martina Ryan:   Rebecca Stanford:

**Clerk:** Mrs Jess Ashbridge: 07986 914991   **Email:** [clerk@claveringvillage.org.uk](mailto:clerk@claveringvillage.org.uk)

**Parish Council Address:** Clavering Clerk. PO Box 1376, CAMBRIDGE, CB1 0GS

**The Clerk's availability to parishioners is usually Tuesday 11am-2pm & Thursday 11am-2pm**

### DEFIBRILLATOR AT THE VILLAGE HALL

If you have to make a 999 call, the call handler may decide that the defibrillator is required.

You will be asked if you are able to go to the village hall to get the defibrillator, but this would usually only happen if someone else is able to stay with the person in need, as phone contact with the emergency service must be maintained at all times.

The call handler will give you the code to open the yellow metal box beside the village hall entrance doors.

The defibrillator is the small carry case – like a child's play-doctor kit – that is kept in the metal box.

Take the 'Ready Kit' (transparent pouch), the 'Covid-19' pack and the carry case.

When you are back with the patient, open the carry case: you will then hear an automated voice giving instructions.

The call handler will also talk you through all that you must do and when the paramedics arrive they will take over from you.

### REMEMBER

**The defibrillator can go to the patient**

**No special training is required**

**The Emergency Services will guide you through everything**