

**CLAYTON-LE-WOODS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**  
**HELD ON MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2017 AT 6.30PM**  
**AT MANOR ROAD ANNEXE**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Mrs G Ormston (Chair)  
Councillor M Clifford  
Councillor D Rogerson  
Councillor A Whitham

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs TD Morris (Clerk)

	<b>ACTION</b>
<p><b>17.27 APOLOGIES</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Councillor J Cronshaw.</p>	
<p><b>17.28 DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b></p> <p>There was a declaration of Interest from Councillor M Clifford as an employee of the Wildlife Trust.</p>	
<p><b>17.29 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETING HELD ON 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2017</b></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2017 were approved as a correct record with the amendment of the Wild Life Trust instead of the Woodland Trust (17.19) and were duly signed by the Chair.</p>	
<p><b>17.30 MATTERS ARISING</b></p> <p>There were no matters arising.</p>	
<p><b>17.31 MANAGEMENT OF BACK LANE WOODS AND PONDS</b></p> <p>Councillor G Ormston informed the members that the Tree Condition survey had been completed and that a full report had been received which outlined a timetable of the proposed tree work which needed to be undertaken in the coming months. The work will be put out to tender and the resistograph work would be costed.</p>	

It was noted that one tree had been felled under Health and Safety.

Woodland Management Proposals

The members discussed two proposals for the Management of Back lane woods.

The first proposal was to draw up a woodland management plan in house using a template from the woodland trust. Following on from this a schedule would be drawn up and execution of the work would be managed in-house.

The second proposal was to engage an organisation like Cuerden Valley Trust or the Wildlife Trust to draw up a management plan and execute the development of the woods for an annual fee.

It was agreed to table both proposals to the full parish council for consideration.

**FPC**

**17.32 ROSEMARY BOYD MEMORIAL**

It was reported that the memorial bench was completed and that the inscription needed to be finalised before the bench could be delivered.

**GO/Clerk**

**17.33 LEONORA CARRINGTON PLAQUE**

The members were informed that the plaque could be placed as a permanent fixture in the parish flowerbed adjacent to Clayton Green library. Councillor G Ormston proposed that she gain approval from the family as regards copyright before going ahead with fabricating a plaque which should cost in the region of £200.00.

**GO/AW**

**17.34 FOOTPATH PROPOSAL (WHITTLE SPINNEY)**

Councillor Mark Clifford proposed that the parish should consider formalising the paths around Whittle Spinney. The land was within the parish boundary and the land was not registered at the present time. A number of options were tabled with the most expensive being at a cost of some £7385.00

It was agreed that the proposal would be considered when formulating the budget proposal for the 2018/19.

**FPC**

**17.35 NORTHWEST IN BLOOM**

It was agreed that the parish would enter North West in Bloom Competition for 2018. It was hoped that there would be an

increase in community involvement. It was reported that six people had already indicated that they wished to be involved.

**GO**

**17.36 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

No items were deemed confidential.

**17.37 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was suggested that a working group would meet to consider the budget options and report back to the Finance Committee in due course.

**Members**