



Minutes of Clipstone Annual Parish Meeting

Held at the Village Hall, Church Road, Clipstone, NG21 9DF

On Wednesday 28 May 2025 at 6.30pm

Present:

The Chairman of Clipstone Parish Council – Cllr D Eskriett
10 members of the public
The Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

1. Welcome to fellow residents

The Chairman of the Parish Council welcomed members of the public

2. Sign the minutes from 22 May 2024 meeting

The minutes from the 2024 Annual Parish meeting were approved and signed

3. To receive residents' comments and observations

There were no comments or observations made

4. To receive representation from grant recipients

The following representations were received:

- Clipstone Detachment, Nottinghamshire Army Cadet Force provided thanks by email and attended the 2024 Annual Parish Meeting - £1000 made in April 2024 was used towards minibus roof repairs
- Little Diggers Allotment – £250 grant used for providing local schools with an area of approximately 10 allotments for outdoor gardening experience. The grant funds seeds, gloved and materials and covers approximately a third of the annual project costs
- Clipstone Welfare Youth Club - £10,000 used towards running costs to operate the Youth Club 4 evenings a week for children from Clipstone, Kings Clipstone, Forest Town, Oak Tree and Ollerton. The Youth Club is believed to help reduce antisocial behaviour in Clipstone while offering a safe and supportive environment for local children
- Clipstone Bowls Club - £450 grant has been used to supports the costs of seeds, spiking and water rates. The club has 35 members, ranging in age from 19 to 92, and serves a diverse cross section of the community
- Clipstone Colts Football Club received a £500 grant and were not represented at the meeting

5. What is keeping the Council busy?

The Chairman provided the following summary of what has been keeping Council busy in the 2024/2025 civic year:

- Operating Community Facilities – Clipstone Village Hall
 - Day to day management of a busy, well used hall
 - Installed new heating and hot water systems
 - Upgraded lights & electrical works
 - Replaced hall chairs
 - Installed a window in the meeting room
 - Installed a new kitchen and appliances
 - The installation of new washrooms (Spring/Summer 2025)
 - Installed new fire doors and external doors
 - Roof repairs and protective coating, guaranteed for 25 years
- Community Facilities – Other
 - S&S Centre - Installed a new disabled access ramp
 - S&S Centre - Installed a new 8 bay car park
 - Land off Highland Road – Worked with Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust to establish habitat conservation areas

We have also provided:

- Poppies for the lampposts through the village to mark Remembrance 2024
- Snowmen for the lampposts through the village – Christmas 2024
- Christmas lighting on Mansfield Road and the roundabout in Cavendish Estate
- Christmas lights for the Holly tree at Clipstone Welfare
- Children's entertainment at the festive light switch-on event held at Clipstone Welfare (paid for the entertainment)

We put together a well-received timetable of events, including:

- An Easter craft event and easter treats
- D Day 80 – provided a flag and held a flag-raising ceremony with Royal British Legion, held a design a medal competition for local schools, nurseries and groups, and hosted a coffee morning for veterans
- Developed a summer nature trail at Vicar Water, in partnership with Newark and Sherwood District Council (N&SDC)
- Provided art packs for children to collect through the summer holidays
- Hosted a summer crafting event - made scrapbooks
- Provided a space for the first Clipstone Work & Wellbeing Event (with N&SDC and Nottinghamshire County Council)
- Hosted a spooky party for Halloween and organised a scarecrow competition to bring the community together
- Put together a Christmas craft event

Day to day, and in general we:

- Manage the day to day running of the Village Hall on Church Road
- Maintain Clipstone Cemetery – We receive compliments of how well kept the cemetery is maintained
- Conduct grass verge cutting in the parish
- Support residents daily and guide queries to the correct channels
- Report village issues to N&SDC and Notts County Council
- Cemetery interments
- Provide dog waste bins. We have installed three new ones in this calendar year (at Intake Woods, Baulker Lane and King Johns Road)
- Update Council Policies and Procedures, ensuring Council remain compliant and transparent
- Update historical cemetery documentation onto electronic records
- Host Citizens Advice outreach sessions for Clipstone residents

Provided £12,200 grants to:

- Clipstone Army cadets £1,000
- Clipstone Youth Club £10,000
- Little Diggers £250
- Clipstone Colts football club £500
- Clipstone Bowls club £450

In addition, we have carried out additional works:

- Telephone kiosk renovation and installation of a grant-funded defibrillator
- Part grant-funded defibrillator installed at the village hall
- Inner cemetery fencing replaced
- Cemetery gates refreshed
- Supported Standguide to provide employment support to residents

Meeting Closed: 6.53pm

Signature of presiding chairman

Date