

Meriden Parish Council
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CLERK'S REPORT November 2017
(prepared by Barbara Bland, Clerk, for PC meeting 20-11-17)

Many of the Clerk's actions are reflected in the agenda content but briefly:-

- Letter of complaint to Grant Thornton regarding their late conclusion of external audit.
- Attended Solihull Area Committee meeting in Balsall Common 19/10/17.
- Attended Society of Local Clerks National Conference Hinckley 18-19/10/17 including 1:1 Advisor session on VAT, PDR changes regarding qualified clerk status and membership of Society providing additional free support from Advisors.
- Communication with Wardell Armstrong regarding dust monitoring and air quality; meeting Philip Walton w/c 20th November 2017 re. triangular hotspots; samples and residents.
- Met with Volunteer Tree Warden on trees, bloom and footpaths.
- Met with Bruce Brant, Peter Barker and Cllr Barber regarding neighbourhood support, neighbourhood issues including rural policing team and Ward Action Plan.
- Communication with Woodland View re litter, smoking and bus shelters.
- Attended MSP Director's meeting 14/11/17, budget preparation for Trustees meeting 27/11/17.
- Met with Cllrs M Lee and Weaver re Neighbourhood Plan presubmission draft content.
- Attended Neighbourhood Planning meeting 8/11/17.
- Engaged Glenda Parkes of Tyler Parkes re. development of site 10 Birmingham Road, who met with Council and provided an update and overview of proposal at NP meeting.
- Meeting arranged to attend Wright Hassle offices to go through list of archive documents held 27/11/17.
- Met with Meriden Pool Project working group to Chris Edgehill re. lack of engagement 1/11/17.
- Interim appraisal review and PDR with Cllr Weaver 1/11/17.
- Finance meeting for 2018-19 budget preparation and assumptions.
- Ongoing liaison with Askews re Companies House annual return, HMRC tax return and published accounts for sports park.
- Sponsorship received from Tarmac for replacement and installation of Christmas lights to large tree on roundabout for main Meriden Gateway.

Community Surgery 6th November 2017 - Pavilion
Barbara Bland, Bruce Brant, Peter Barker and Cllr Jon Barber.
No residents in attendance.

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