

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting
held on
Monday 12 May 2014
at 7.30pm in the Manor Room.**

THOSE PRESENT:

T O'Neill, C Doel, Mrs A Cessford, G Steer, R George, R Troughton and J Boldon, Also present were Graham Heard and 3 members of the public.

1 APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Messrs Barley and Tonge.

2 ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2014/2015:

Chairman : Mr O'Neill was proposed by Mr George, seconded by Mrs Cessford. There being no other nominations Mr O'Neill was duly elected as Chairman for the coming year.

Vice Chairman: Mr Doel was proposed by Mr Goerge, seconded by Mr Boldon. There being no other nominations Mr Doel was duly elected as Vice Chairman for the coming year.

3 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE:

Both Mr O'Neill and Mr Doel signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms.

4 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR 2014/2015:

It was agreed that the Areas of Responsibility remain the same as the previous year.

Highways/Community Area Transport Group:	Messrs O'Neill and Doel
Planning/Corsham Area Board:	Mr Boldon
Cemetery/Amenity Seats:	Mr Barley
Responsible Finance Officer/Bus Shelters	Mrs Cessford
Environment/Footpaths/Corsham Road	
Play Area:	Mr Troughton
Playing Field	Mr George
Rep on Village Hall Management Committee:	Mrs Cessford
Rep on Lacock Garden & Allotment Association:	Mr O'Neill
Website/School Liaison:	Mr Steer

5 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:

Mr O'Neill declared an interest in Item 3 under Correspondence.

6 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

**Amendment: Page 1 under Playing Field: 3rd sentence should read:
National Trust is looking to replicate the round "Dog" sign for the Red Lion
entrance.**

It was proposed by Mr Boldon, seconded by Mrs Cessford that the minutes of the meeting held on 14 April 2014 be accepted and signed as a true record. Agreed.

7 MATTERS ARISING:

Defibrillator: outer case is still outstanding.

Cemetery -

The Chairman reported that a sizeable branch had fallen off a cedar tree two days ago.

Website -

Mr Steer requested photographs and email addresses of councillors for posting on the website.

Rey Bridge -

Becoming really serious issue. Has been outstanding since November 2013 and is dangerous. The Clerk was instructed to write to Wiltshire Council requesting a completion date and action plan.

PIGS -

Mr Troughton reported that PIGS will match funding up to £5k. He agreed to submit a bid in respect of the Nethercote path.

8 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY:

Parish Steward -

Mr Doel reported that the steward would be in the parish in two weeks time. They were to tackle the grass in the pavements by spraying but are not allowed to transport chemicals themselves.

Village Hall Management Committee -

Mrs Cessford advised that the Committee's AGM would take place on Wednesday 14 May 2014.

Playing Field -

Mr George reported that because of the good weather there had been high levels of usage in the Playing Field. He thanked the National Trust for their quick action in dealing with the damage inside the pavilion. The roof is still outstanding.

The football club could possibly return - It was proposed by Mr O'Neill, seconded by Mr Doel that the PC was in agreement in principle to use reserve money to fund necessary items in order to secure the club's return.

Traffic Light Junction -

The Chairman reported that Wiltshire Council is allocating £20k towards a study of the junction. Physical alteration to make it safer with provision of a dedicated right turn north into the village.

Mr Boldon: PC accepts the findings but is concerned about the southbound traffic.

Core Strategy -

Mr Boldon advised that officers are going to be reporting the application back to the Planning Committee - it is not going to the main committee.

Showell -

It was agreed that, whilst the Parish Council is opposed to the development, a

request be made that the proposed Section 106 Agreement be redrafted to include the extension of the footpath and cycle path from the site to the Lackham roundabout.

9 CORRESPONDENCE:

A list of correspondence received had been circulated with the Agenda.

- 1 Letter from Deborah White re neighbour - The Clerk was instructed to reply accordingly.
- 3 From Mrs N O'Neill re Nethercote - The Clerk was instructed to reply to Mrs O'Neill's letter and also to write to Mrs Curran advising her to keep vegetation from overhanging the road.
- 4 From Lacock Village Fair Committee requesting permission to use Playing Field on Monday 25 August 2014. Permission granted subject to usual conditions.

10 VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Mr George reported that there had been a number of circumstances that led to questions being raised about the Management Committee that resulted in his undertaking a study of the lease. The original lease is dated 1967; it is outdated and needs reconsideration. The PC needs to review the lease and its terms in relation to the Management Committee. It was agreed that a sub committee be formed to consider the matter. The committee to consist of Mrs Cessford, Mr Doel, Mrs Newbury and Mr Heard.

11 FINANCE:

i) Accounts –

It was proposed by Mr Troughton, seconded by Mrs Cessford, that the following accounts be paid:

Simon J White	£414.00	(April account)
G Westall	£ 35.00	
S Steward	£273.52	
Lacock WI	£100.00	
Lacock History Group	£100.00	
1st Lacock Scout Group	£100.00	
Lacock Evergreens	£100.00	
Lacock Cricket Club	£100.00	
Wise Owls Pre School	£100.00	
Lacock Youth Club	£100.00	
Lacock Garden & Allotment Association	£100.00	

ii) Statement of Account –

It was proposed by Mr Troughton, seconded by Mrs Cessford, that the Statement of Account showing a balance of £8088.32 in the Co-operative Bank current account as at 12 May 2014 be signed as correct by the Chairman. Agreed.

12 PLANNING:

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| 14/03676/FUL | Erection of building to cover silage clamp - Whitehall Farm, Reybridge. |
| 14/04099/TCA | Pollard 1 willow to 7 metres - Bewley Court, Bewley Lane. |

14/04473/FUL Demolish existing part outbuilding and erection of new timber framed garage - Bowden Cottage, Bowden Hill, Lacock.

The Parish Council raised no objections to the above applications.

13 ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- i) Folly Lane - ramp not suitable for wheelchairs.
- ii) High Street - wooden litter bins collapsing - either remove or provide new ones (NT).
- iii) Tree obstructing street light at Nethercote.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 9 June 2014.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.52pm

Signature of Chairman upon approval of Minutes
9 June 2014