

LACOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 11 February 2019 at 7.30pm in the Manor Room.

THOSE PRESENT:

C Doel, J Boldon, R George, G Fortune, A Cessford, S Gregory, A Turnbull, J Durrant, P Shaw and H Shepherd. Also present were Graham Heard, B Anderson and one member of the public.

1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

There was nothing raised by the parishioner present.

2 APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from A Barley.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were none.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was resolved (JB/JD) that the minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2019 be signed as a true record.

5 UPDATE FROM MINUTES:

There was none.

6 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY:

R George -

Report No.19 had been circulated prior to the meeting. Playing Field hedges have been cut. One section of timber missing from the repair has still to be rectified. New fencing behind the hedge line, but the area behind the tennis court is too rough for a fence. A quote for the fencing work, in the sum of £460 plus VAT, has been received from Kevin Hutchings. It was proposed by RG seconded by HS that this be approved. Agreed.

Installation of an equipment store for Lacock School to be sited at the far end of the tennis court was approved.

RG had circulated a note to members regarding the new community build project which has been unsuccessful in attracting the necessary funding. RG thanked all those who had contributed to the project over the past five years.

The Chairman thanked RG for all the hard work which he put had into the project and his endeavours in trying to enhance facilities on behalf of the school.

J Durrant –

Following the recent spell of snow grit bins are now empty and this has been reported to Wiltshire Council.

Code of Conduct – Resolved (JD/AT) that the last sentence under Clause 14 be amended to read: *He/she may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak.*

Interim report from the Parish Boundary Working Group had been circulated prior to the meeting.

H Shepherd –

Nothing to report on footpaths.

HS will be having a monthly meeting with Richard Hearn prior to the parish council meeting.

The school is currently doing a Health and Safety audit.

G Fortune –

GF advised that the headstones have been checked and are all solid in the ground.

Allotments – siting of the proposed compost bins will be on the agenda for Allotments Association AGM (16 March 2019).

A Cessford –

The PC Apple laptop needs to be returned by Gary Steer. The Chairman agreed to see GS.

Could the redundant Notton bus shelter be resited in Melksham Road?

S Gregory/P Shaw -

SG had circulated the February report prior to the meeting.

Hither Way crossing – black swan neck lights have been fitted. However, one bulb is not working.

Public Meeting with Michelle Donelan – MD recorded 31 issues and proposals and MD will be writing to Councillor Wayman and parishioners with these.

Formation of Lacock Traffic Group – it was agreed that this should go ahead and consist of PS, AT and SG plus other interested people, reporting to Parish Council. A Terms of Reference will be issued for PC approval.

A Boards – draft letter needed to all businesses and residents.

WC drains and grid cleaning initiative – PC to identify drains and grids that need to be power cleaned.

A 44-ton lorry had jack knifed down Forest Lane.

Road closures to note: A350 northbound 11-15 February at night for resurfacing work.

Woodrow Road/Lower Forest/Forest Lane/Bowden Hill junction – 21-22 March for carriageway patching/ surface dress/ road markings etc.

A Turnbull –

Website has been updated.

Screen in the village shop is out of order.

Corsham Road play area – quote the work needed received from Playforce in the sum of £15K – three items need replacing. AT will be looking for other quotes.

7 TO CONSIDER OPTIONS FOR A COACH BAN IN LACOCK VILLAGE CENTRE:

PS had circulated the four options received from Wiltshire Highways and these were discussed. It was agreed Wiltshire Highways to be notified that Option 1 was preferred.

8 CORRESPONDENCE:

A list of correspondence received had been circulated prior to the meeting:

- 1 From Natalie Coles - requesting more dog poo bins at the entry/exits to the fields and in the National Trust car park. **GH to look into this request**
- 2 Briefing Note No.19-002 - New proposals to build on successful community model for children's centre services.
- 3 From Peter Glen re Bridget Wayman & Michelle Donelan meeting on 11 January 2019. **Noted.**
- 4 Councillor Briefing Note No.375 - Polling District and Polling Place Review.
- 5 From President of The Rotary club of Wiltshire Vale (Chippenham) requesting permission to use the playing field for Lacock Village Fair on Monday August 2019. **It was agreed that permission be granted.**
- 6 From Simon White - he is happy to carry out the grass cutting contract with a 2% increase - monthly payment will be £460.83. **Resolved (RG/JD) that this contract continue.**
- 7 From 1st Lacock Scout Group - belated thank you for the donation towards new camping equipment.
- 8 From Ben Anderson - Broadband Update for Derry Hill Exchange Area.
- 9 From Ben Anderson - Draft Recommendations of the LGBCE. **Comments to WC by 15 April. JB to draft letter to all parishioners in Notton. AC agreed to deliver.**
- 10 From Peter Self asking if the redundant bus shelter at Notton could be removed as he would like to replant the hedge to conceal the field behind. **Move the shelter to Melksham Road?**
- 11 Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Authority - meeting of the Local Performance and Scrutiny Committee - Wiltshire - Wednesday 13 February 2019.
- 12 Wiltshire Council - Community Led Housing in Wiltshire - will be promoted at various venues in Wiltshire ie Springfield Community Campus, Corsham on 5 March and County Hall, Trowbridge on 2 May.

9 FINANCE:

i) Accounts -

It was resolved (AC/JD) that the following cheques be raised:

400988	S J White	£ 451.80	(for January)
400989	G Westall	£ 35.00	(for January)
400990	S Steward	£ 308.91	(for January)
400991	Action Force Pest Prevention	£ 150.00	(moles in PF)
400992	Wiltshire Council	£ 7000.00	(Hither Way crossisng)
400993	Idverde Ltd	£ 233.99	(grounds mtce – January)\
400994	K Hutchings	£ 396.00	(PF hedge)

ii) Statement of Account -

It was resolved (AC/JB) that the Statement of Account showing a balance of £13246.36 as at 31 January 2019 in the Co-operative Bank current account and £91274.89 in the Cambridge & Counties deposit account should be signed by the Chairman as being correct.

10 PLANNING:

19/00742/TCA

Fell 1 silve birch, 1 metasequoia, 1 holly oak, 1 ash, 1 poplar, 1 horse chestnut and 1 sycamore; remove fallen stem from ash – Bowden Park Estate, Bowden Hill, Lacock.

NO COMMENT

19/00744/TCA

2 metre crown reduction to cherry tree and crown raise poplar to 5.5 metres from ground level – The Old Vicarage, Bowden Hill, Lacock.

NO COMMENT

19/01154/TCA

2M crown reduction to aspen (T1) and crown raise to 2.5 metres from ground level, fell 2 silver birch trees (T2,T3,T4) – Coach House, Rowden Lane, Chippenham.

NO COMMENT

11 OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1 Last year there was a Spring Clean – is there anything planned for this year?
- 2 Fun run on previous Sunday – no advance warning given.
- 3 Make Area Board more relevant to PCs – other councillors to attend.
- 4 Planning Application re 18 Bewley Lane?
- 5 VJ Edwards quote for the Brash.
- 6 Trees on Cantax Hill – cherry and large oak – need attention.
- 7 SG will be missing some future PC meetings. Agreed.

11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 11 March 2019.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signature of Chairman upon approval of Minutes.

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11 March 2019