

LACOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 8 April 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, H Shepherd and A Barley. Also present were B Anderson, Graham Heard and 15 members of the public.

1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Georgina Enthoven – Griffin Estate neighbour. Objects to the loss of important thriving rural community. No need for isolated development. Change to conservation area. Loss of active rural employment.

Clare Bromfield – Nothing further to add. Concerned about increase in traffic.

Chris Nolan –

There would be a reduction in traffic if no longer a commercial site.

Need to redevelop either as further commercial or housing.

Majority of tenants there will be relocated.

Sundawn Shed –

Chris Seal advised that the temporary retention of 2 sheds already have enforcement notice.

2 APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies received.

In the absence of the Clerk J Durrant took the minutes.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

All members declared an interest in planning application 19/03093/FUL

A Turnbull declared an interest in planning application 19/02720/FUL & 19/03004/LBC

H Shepherd, P Shaw and J Durrant declared an interest in planning application 19/02826/OUT. J Boldon also declared an interest in this application and stated he would not be voting.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was resolved (AC/AT) that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2019 be signed as a true record.

5 UPDATE FROM MINUTES:

Payment for laptop has been received from Gary Steer.
Hedge in cemetery needs to be reduced to 20 feet, not cut down as stated in minutes.

6 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY:

R George -

Report No.21 had been circulated prior to the meeting but not seen by everyone.
Fence to be fixed before Easter.
Equipment store for school installed.
Installation of new play equipment complete but need final signed off safety documentation due tomorrow. RG to write to those involved in installation to thank them.

S Gregory -

Report issued.
Agreed need to write to Michelle Donelan to chase action from January traffic meeting. Action: LS to send letter.
Traffic lights at Whitehall simulation – costs of £5k to £35k.
Coaches – reply from David Thomas but didn't state anything. Formally asked him for meeting with Wiltshire highways and SG has also stated that covering this in NT traffic meeting was not acceptable as this is a LPC issue.
Relocation of bus shelter will be at LPC expense. Action: SG to confirm bus shelter will fit in space in Melksham Road first. Action: SG to speak to Richard Hopkins as believed his owns the land.
Action: SG to draft letter to Adrian Hampton to request sweeper is here every 2 months.
Village gates – troughs with plants. Look for volunteers to maintain.
Action: PS to check with highways in terms of what we can install and possible costs of options.
Action: SG to report on My Wiltshire App issue regarding metal drain cover which clunks on left-hand side of Cantax Hill going up and near top on opposite side.

A Cessford –

Meeting with Amanda Burnside at Lackham.
Speed sign at end of drive and will try to control speed and reduce litter if possible.
Asked staff not to use back drive.
Invited JB and CD to review plans before they are submitted.
RG raised for noting – no lambing weekend complimentary passes issued as have been done in previous years for Mons Lane residents.

G Fortune –

Allotments – compost bins in Abbey to be located elsewhere and not where originally planned.

A Barley –

Byelaw for doing grave maintenance, not needed, we can put up a notice to state we will be doing maintenance in a prominent place if we can't contact the owners.
No response re Fox Talbot grave.

H Shepherd –

School –

Will give contacts for street scene to ensure rubbish collected after Scarecrow Trail.

School parking permits – letter to be issued to residents after Easter.

Action: LS to contact dog litter warden re emptying of bins.

Footpaths –

Offer from Peter Hebdon. Contacted Melksham Without Parish Council and had very positive feedback re Brian and Peter. Pay expenses for travel. Meeting to determine costs and agree plan for what he could do. HS to arrange a meeting with AT to attend as well.

Spring Clean this Saturday. Allocated our own equipment to keep 20 hoops, triggers, bags, high vis jackets etc. Want photos of doing clean up. Also, Community Engagement Office, Ross Griffiths providing children's equipment. Street Scene collecting rubbish from HS on Monday am.

J Durrant –

Boundary Review –

Wiltshire Council response issued – still worth others objecting but believe Boundary Commission will accept PC Notton proposal.

Police have today issued information that if you dial 999 and can't speak to the police in an emergency situation then press 55 and they will know you need help. JD to provide detail for AT to add to screen.

A Turnbull –

Web site hosting for one year £99.99 + VAT to be paid.

C Doel –

No need for planning permission for war memorial.

Proposed CD, seconded AC to go ahead with cleaning.

7 CORRESPONDENCE:

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

1-14 Responses from Notton residents re Notton Lane Access

15 From Peter Hebdon re Public Rights of Way maintenance - recommending Brian Flynn for clearance of stiles, way-marking and notification of issues to Wiltshire Council, etc.

16 Briefing Note No.19-009 Future secured for Calne to Chippenham cycle path.

17 From PC Chloe Jenkins, Wiltshire Police, re overweight vehicles travelling through Lacock - "I am pleased to say there appears to have been a drop by around 80%. **PS would question if 80% reduction is true and is seasonal.**

18 Briefing Note No.19-010 - Freight Strategy and Freight Management Update.

- 19 From John Buckingham (allotment holder) re National Trust Proposal for to locate composting facility within the grounds of the Abbey allotments. **NT looking elsewhere.**
- 20 Application for temporary road closure - Lacock High Street and Abbey Road - for Lacock Village Fair - 26 August 2019 from 8am - 6pm.
- 21 Briefing Note No.19-011 - Extended Consultation on Vision for Special Schools.

8 NOTTON CONSULTATION;

6 respondents object and 8 support.

Many want No Left Turn sign from Corsham Road and also request No Access except for Residents. May increase congestion outside Whitehall.

Enforcement will be a challenge.

Concerns re speeding, could these be reviewed? Consistent view that this may slow down traffic.

Can't see No Left Turn being accepted by CATG.

PS/PG – ask Highways for metro count down at Notton to obtain the facts regarding speed before going back to CATG.

Whitehall made a commitment to narrow entrance to Notton Road as part of their planning application. SG to understand what is being done regarding this.

9 FINANCE:

i) Accounts -

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

401051	S J White	£ 451.80	(for March)
401052	*G Westall	£ 35.00	(for March)
401053	S Steward	£ 313.18	(for March)
401054	S Steward	£ 79.99	(Microsoft renewal)
401055	Idverde Ltd	£ 233.99	(grounds mtce for March)
401056	Playforce Ltd	£ 3322.22	(Play eqpt repairs)
401057	HMRC	£ 214.20	(PAYE)
401058	water 2 business	£ 77.96	(cemetery)
401059	National Trust	£ 150.00	(pavilion rent)
401060	Wiltshire Council	£ 142.09	(NNDR cemetery)

- There was concern as to whether litter is being picked every Monday from the playing field. Will withhold this cheque payment this month.

ii) Statement of Account -

It was resolved (AC/AT) that the Statement of Account showing a balance of £9790.04 as at 1 April 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.

9 PLANNING:

19/02720/FUL & 19/03004/LBC

Retention of 2 garden sheds. (Application for a temporary permission for 2 years) – Sundawn, Chapel Hill, Lacock. **Enforcement notice requires sheds to be removed within 4 months. Reiterate refusal, add: Need assurance from Wiltshire Council that they will enforce notice that has been served. All agreed.**

19/02773/FUL

To erect a temporary timber information hut within the car park at Hither Way. For the purposes of providing an information point to the car park users and to provide shelter for the car park staff – Car Park, Hither Way, Lacock. **National Trust proposing to provide permanent visitor centre in car park but this will take 2-5 years. PC request more information about what hut will look like as it will be in such a prominent place.**

19/02826/OUT

Outline permission for the redevelopment of commercial storage site to residential including the demolition of existing structures and erection of up to 10 no. dwellings including affordable housing provision, associated infrastructure including means of access, with all other matters reserved – The Griffin Estate, Bowden Hill, Lacock. **Objections heard tonight. No mention made with regard to Wiltshire Scrapstore as a community facility. Has European social funding to support adults who can't obtain employment. Wiltshire Council provided funding for disabled access. Employs 20 people full time and has over 70 volunteers. Application focus is on additional benefits of housing without any recognition of loss of community facility, particularly the Scrapstore. Development application doesn't cover full site – what does this mean for the future? All who could vote, voted against the application.**

19/03067/LBC

Installation of curved stairlift – 9 West Street.

NO OBJECTION

10 OTHER BUSINESS:

- i) RG letter re policy for A boards, letter drafted and with CD to review. Visits to businesses required. CD, JB, AC and GF all volunteered to arrange meetings with local businesses.
- ii) PS raised re Neighbourhood plans; don't have to be about development, can also focus on infrastructure. Amenity of place and how to offer it back to the people who live there. Would like discussed at a future meeting.
- iii) CD to discuss additional dog litter bins with GH – forgot to do so at recent meeting.
- iv) Viv Edwards doing the brash next Monday.

11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Annual Parish Meeting – 23 April 2019
Parish Council Meeting – 13 May 2019
This will be the Annual PC meeting.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.58pm.

Signature of Chairman upon approval of Minutes.

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13 May 2019