

LACOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11 October 2021 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

THOSE TAKING PART:

J Boldon, C Doel, S Wise, P Shaw, P Glen, S Gregory, L Heren, H Shepherd, P Burkinshaw and P Holliday. Also present were Derek Walters (Unitary Councillor) Karen Bolger and Andy Cochrane (National Trust) and two members of the public.

In the absence of the Chair, JB (Vice Chair) presided.

1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Concern was raised by a parishioner present about the planning application to erect a new dwelling at the rear of Monks Way, Corsham Road and the access points shown on the plans.

2 APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received Jane Durrant (Chair).

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:

PG declared an interest in Planning Application PL/2021/11654.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

It was agreed (LH/PG) that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2021 be signed as a true record.

5 UPDATE FROM MINUTES:

There was none.

6 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY REPORT:

S Wise -

A copy of SW's report had been circulated to members prior to the meeting. Orchard - Recent working groups have been preparing for the planting of new fruit trees, clearing and preparing ground adjacent to the pathway fence for hedging to be planted. SW advised that the next working group would be held on 13 November work to include the repositioning and planting of 6 fruit trees, laying a 40m hedge and woodchip mulching.

H Shepherd -

HS reported that the Wise Owls numbers this year were very good. Lackham students going through the ford at speed – this is being looked into. PFWG – fence ordered, tree work completed, basket ball nets ordered.

L Heren -

LH was not able to be present when Idverde were on site. Football pitch has now been extended. Weekend inspection reports done.

C Doel –

CD raised the matter of a public noticeboard. It was agreed that there is a need for one. PH to obtain costing and to explore the possible siting with the National Trust and report back with costings.

P Glen –

PG reported that the aluminium extrusions for the sports court are reading to be installed.

P Holliday -

PH advised that the Probation Service will be attending four times next month.

S Gregory –

A copy of SG's report had been circulated to members prior to the meeting. Lorry Watch training – still awaiting details from Devizes Police Lorry Watch administration person. War memorial – weeds growing through the walls. Karen Bolger agreed to look into this.

P Burkinshaw –

Website overhaul progressing.

7 NATIONAL TRUST UPDATE:

KB reported that the recent drop in session re the Trust's position about A350 had been well received with 40-50 people attending. There will be an update in the November issue of the parish magazine.

Working with the school for access to the grounds.

Fox Talbot grave – looking at this to see if something can be done.

Business meetings to be reintroduced.

There will be a community Christmas tree festival this year.

KB introduced Andy Cochrane, property curator in this area, who will be looking into how NT share the stories from the collections.

8 ATKINS REPORT:

PS gave an outline of the background to this report. Interventions included traffic calming to improve the safety of pedestrians and people in Lacock, to slow traffic down and perhaps reduce the volume of vehicles. PS recognised the need to strike a balance between traffic calming measures and forcing vehicles to use the southern Lacock junction when travelling north.

The PC needed to decide whether to agree to implement the findings of the report – a 25% contribution would be needed towards the costs of the various implementations.

It was unanimously agreed that as a matter of principle the PC should be pursuing traffic calming measures/interventions.

PS and SG to provide recommended options that PC should be pursuing and giving advice on funding options. DW confirmed that he supports these actions.

9 ELECTRIC CHARGING POINTS FOR RESIDENTS:

PB had requested this Agenda item. With the 2030 ban on diesel cars electric cars will become the norm. Where are charging points going to be put in the village as the buildings are listed etc. The PC should be thinking about what it can do about this. KB confirmed that the National Trust is aware of the situation and this is in progress.

10 PLATINUM JUBILEE – FORMATION OF WORKING GROUP:

It was agreed that a group should be formed. It was suggested that parishioners be asked to join the group and HS agreed to draft a notice for the parish magazine.

11 CORRESPONDENCE LIST:

- 1 From Wiltshire Council - Correction Briefing Note 21-16 Taxi Tariff Charges.
- 2 CEE Bill Alliance - asking for PC to support the Climate and Ecological Emergency (CEE) Bill - draft motion and briefing document included in the email.
- 3 Wiltshire Council - Variation of Premises Licence - Whitehall Garden Centre - to add alcohol sales to an outside area - This area has been covered by temporary approval which expires on 30 September 2021 - now wish to make this a permanent change.
- 4 Wiltshire Council - Commissioning of traffic surveys - there is now a large backlog of traffic surveys with requests continuing to be received by the council.
- 5 Briefing Note 21-18 - Community Governance Review

12 FINANCE:

i) Accounts -

It was resolved (CD/PH) that the following accounts be paid:

BACS	S J White	£ 470.05	(for September)
BACS	S Steward	£ 419.43	(for September)
BACS	Idverde Ltd	£ 233.98	(grounds mtce September)
BACS	HMRC	£ 304.98	(PAYE)
BACS	Net World Sports	£ 809.94	(already paid)
BACS	Conservation Contractors Ltd	£ 918.00	(tree works)

ii) Statement of Account -

It was resolved (HS/PB) that the Statement of Account showing a balance of £25240.76 as at 1 October 2021 in the Co-operative Bank current account and £53511.68 in the Cambridge & Counties deposit account should be signed by the Chair as being correct.

12 PLANNING:

PL2021/06548

Application for change of use from agricultural to BB storage and distribution and for the demolition of the existing redundant glass houses and erect a replacement building for caravan storage – Piccadilly Caravans, Folly Lane, Lacock

NO COMMENT

PL2021/08903

Demolish existing garage and erect new garden outbuilding – St Just, Corsham Road, Lacock

NO OBJECTION

PL/2021/08737 (outline planning application)

Erection of new dwelling, rear of Monks Way, Corsham Road, Lacock

PC raised no objection in principle to the proposed new dwelling but is puzzled by the proposal to create an access at the southern end of the planning application area to the garden centre. The Council questions the purpose of such a proposal and should it be pursued, the Council would wish to **OBJECT** to this planning application because of its concern over the potential unknown and possible adverse implications of providing such a new major access to the garden centre.

PL2021/09240

Maple tree – reduce by one third to best aesthetic shape and give weight reduction due to a spiral fracture up the stem causing stress – Raycroft House, Cantax Hill, Lacock

NO COMMENT

PL/2021/09104

Proposed holiday let use for existing outbuilding – The Old Mill, Reybridge, Lacock **OBJECT** for the reason that the original planning permission for this development Condition 8 stated:

“The outbuilding hereby permitted shall not occupied at any time other than for purposes ancillary to the residential use of the main dwelling, known as “Old Mill” and it shall remain within the same planning unit as the main dwelling” Reason: “The additional accommodation is sited in a position where the Local Planning Authority ... would not permit a wholly separate dwelling.”.

PL/2021/11654/REM

Submission of Reserved Matters for Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale for the Erection of 120no Dwellings, Pursuant to Outline Planning Permission 17/08554/OUT

NO COMMENT

13 OTHER BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION:

- i) Hedgehog Protection Group – small sign advising of hedgehogs crossing at Hither Way roundabout.
- ii) Trees overhanging Stoggy Lane making access difficult.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 8 November 2021 – in the Village Hall

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.38pm.

Signature of Chair upon approval of Minutes

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8 November 2021

