

LACOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8 November 2021 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

THOSE TAKING PART:

J Durrant, C Doel, S Wise, P Shaw, S Gregory, L Heren, H Shepherd, P Burkinshaw and P Holliday. Also present were Derek Walters (Unitary Councillor) – for beginning of meeting, and one member of the public

1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

The parishioner present drew the meetings attention to Garden Grabbing Act 2010 in relation to the Monks Way planning application and asked the council review its previous no objection response.

2 APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received John Boldon and Peter Glen. Karen Bolger (NT) was unable to attend the meeting.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:

There were none.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

It was agreed (PH/HS)) that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2021 be signed as a true record.

5 UPDATE FROM MINUTES:

DW urged the council to consider forming it own Climate Change group. CD agreed to lead the group with HS and others (PB and PH) agreeing to take part.

NT have agreed to provide new noticeboards in the village.

NT is responsible for the wall either side of the war memorial.

Trees in Stoggy Lane – these have been planted by people living there and NT will be looking to see if they can be reduced/removed. LH asked that NT be requested to plant replacements for any removed.

6 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY REPORT:

S Wise -

Footpaths – nothing to report.

Recovery Routes – still ongoing but has faltered somewhat.

Community Orchard – the delivery of trees will not arrive in time for the November working group session, but hopefully will be delivered in time for the next session on 11 December.

P Burkinshaw -

Website overhaul nearly completed.

P Shaw -

PS to ascertain whether the lighting survey for West St/High St is still outstanding.

PS gave an overview of the intervention priorities list. It was agreed a meeting with Kate was required initially to gauge WC highways reaction.

S Gregory –

SG's report was circulated to members prior to the meeting.

Lorry Watch – the delay in training for three volunteers has been rescheduled.

Notton Crossing – DW has this in hand – no progress as yet.

Remembrance Bench for Leo – installation going ahead.

Damage to grass verge and roadside opposite the Abbey entrance – it has been agreed that low wooden posts be installed at 1m-1.2m apart on the verge. The posts will be sourced and paid for by the NT and fixed by the WC Highways team.

P Holliday –

Cemetery – nothing to report.

Tennis court – a successful couple of weeks finishing off the site. Thanks were extended to PG and PH for a job well done.

Tenants' meeting with National Trust – disappointing attendance by tenants.

Various properties being relet.

10-year plan needed from the NT – PC need to push for this. JD to raise with Karen Bolger.

C Doel –

Allotments meeting – the eviction of one plot holder has been successfully resolved. There is plenty of interest in vacant plots.

Apple Day recently held was a success and will definitely go ahead again next year.

CD attended the recent Corsham Area Climate Group and found it to be very interesting. There will be an open meeting on 24 November at The Pound.

H Shepherd –

NT is keen to get involved with the community. There is going to be an annual Fox Talbot Day on 9 February. Working towards 2024 which will be the Schools Centenary.

Wall around the school is a safeguarding issue.

PFWG – need to move the green school container and the area behind tennis court will be grassed before February when the trees will be planted.

Lackham College to install Christmas tree outside The Red Lion on 17/11

L Heren –

The RoSPA play areas report has been received – there are a lot of small issues needing to be rectified. Quotes required for carpet replacement which will need to be done soon.

There is a head entrapment issue with the play equipment which needs to be looked into. As an interim measure PH will see if bars could be removed or additional one installed.

J Durrant -

Village Hall meeting – fire extinguishers will need to be replaced soon as obsolete.

7 NATIONAL TRUST UPDATE:

KB was unable to attend the meeting but had provided a short report which was circulated to members prior to the meeting.

8 PRECEPT – 2022-2023:

Members were asked to give consideration to any funding needed for their Area of Responsibility

9 CORRESPONDENCE LIST:

- 1 Briefing Note 21-20 - Community Environmental Toolkit
- 2 Wiltshire PCC launches consultation to shape policing future - closing date 14.11.2021
- 3 Briefing Note 21-21 Planning Policy for Renewable Energy
- 4 Relish Running - Thank you for hosting the event this year and would like to discuss holding the event on Sunday 26 June 2022. Discussed and agreed that subject to confirmation of funding for 2022 Parish Council was happy for the run to take place again with no changes from arrangements in 2021.
- 5 Copy of email from parishioner to DW re issue of right-hand turn (going north) at Whitehall traffic lights. Should be logged on MyWiltshire App.

10 FINANCE:

i) Accounts -

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

BACS	S J White	£ 470.05	(for October)
BACS	S Steward	£ 420.69	(for October)
BACS	Idverde Ltd	£ 233.98	(grounds mtce October)
BACS	Playsafety Ltd	£ 193.80	(RoSPA inspection)
401276	RBL Poppy Appeal	£ 17.00	(Poppy wreath)
BACS	Conservation Contractors Ltd	£7171.50	(fencing)
BACS	Barthers Farm Nurseries Ltd	£ 552.66	(Jubilee trees)
BACS	P Glen	£ 140.28	(misc PFWG)

ii) Statement of Account -

It was resolved (PH/PB) that the Statement of Account showing a balance of £22905.88 as at 25 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.

11 PLANNING:

PL2021/09815

Rebuilding of buildings A,B,D and E – Griffin Farm, Bowden Hill, Lacock
The PC resolved to object to this application based on the issues with the sewage system which need to be rectified in conjunction with National Trust.
LS to write to owners of Griffin Farm, to raise issue regarding sewage system and run off of effluent onto common and what they are proposing to resolve this.

OBJECT

PL2021/09889

Proposed works to trees in conservation area – St Cyriacs Church, Church Street, Lacock

NO COMMENT

PL/2021/10244

Proposed works to trees in conservation area – Bowden Park Estate, Bowden Hill, Lacock

NO COMMENT

PL2021/08737

Erection of new dwelling (outline application with all matters reserved) – Rear of Monks Way, Corsham Road, Lacock.

NO OBJECTION

12 OTHER BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION:

- i) Bring forward Planning item on the agenda.
- ii) Intermittent power cuts in the village. Write to SSE – what steps are they taking to improve matters.
- iii) Poor internet connection in Reybridge – when is it going to be upgraded?

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 13 December 2021 – in the Village Hall

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.18pm.

Signature of Chair upon approval of Minutes

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13 December 2021

