

LACOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting Held on 13 December 2021 At 7.30pm in the Village Hall

THOSE TAKING PART:

J Durrant (Chair), C Doel, S Wise, P Glen, S Gregory, L Heron, H Shepherd, P Burkinshaw and P Shaw. Also present was Karen Bolger (National Trust)

1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

There were no parishioners present at the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from John Boldon, Patrick Holliday and Derek Walters.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:

PB declared an interest, as a School Governor, in Planning Application PL/2021/10692.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was agreed (SW/PB) that the minutes of the meeting held on the 8 November 2021 be signed as a true record.

5 UPDATES FROM MINUTES:

There were none.

6 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY REPORT:

P Shaw –

Second consultation on A350 has been issued. No mention of Woodrow Road crossing. Ditch between Fox Farm and bridge has been dug out.

S Gregory –

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

Re Atkins report and priorities subsequently SG has had a discussion with Kate Davey on how to proceed. It has been agreed that we wait until the result of our submission. Once known we may need to reassess our priorities.

Notton crossing - nothing is going to happen.

It was agreed that PC would like Lacock on the list for the PCC speed enforcement officer involvement.

Posts outside Abbey, SG to write to Dave Arnup re sourcing of the posts.

P Glen -

Lorry Watch - continues to be problematic. Still awaiting training for one volunteer.

Remembrance bench for Leo Stevens - bench is ready, and waiting for Wiltshire Council contractor to install.

NW National Trust members trees for behind the court not yet ordered.

PG had spotted that Green Square Accord Community Funds (up to £500)

were available to groups and agreed to look into this with a view to applying for the funding to purchase new goalposts for the Corsham Road play area.

C Doel –

CD had attended the recent climate change meeting. Lacock doing quite a lot already such as the orchard, allotments not using pesticides, church is going eco friendly. Electric vehicle points is one of the major issues. Karen Bolger was asked if the National Trust were developing a policy on electric vehicle points? There is work going on looking into this from a visitor point of view nothing fixed at the moment.

There is a document going to Wiltshire Council in January - it's a consultation document with some of the things that the Corsham Climate Group Meeting are asking about and hopefully it will be accepted at the February meeting.

Allotment apple day will be held in 2022.

Heather Shepherd –

The school's Lantern parade was very successful.

First meeting of the jubilee committee will be this week.

Simon Wise -

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

Footpaths - some issues have been resolved.

Latest working group involved a mega planting session.

BBC recently filmed walking routes around lake walk and it will be broadcast on Bank Holiday Monday 27th of December at 5:30pm on the BBC Countryfile programme.

Louise Heren -

Football pitch – LH cannot get people to come out re the climbing frame head entrapment issue.

Formally write to the manufacturer and installer.

Idverde will be leaf clearing at the school before the new year

P Burkinshaw –

Rights of Way pages on the website have been completed.

Playground page has also been updated.

7 NATIONAL TRUST UPDATE:

KB confirmed that Steve Wilson has agreed to a 3 way meeting about traffic issues in the village. To be arranged for New Year

Have recently advertised for an Area Ranger on a part time basis.

Cottages - some have been rented out but there are 3 new empty properties.

Countryfile programme on 27th of December
Beacon for jubilee please inform National Trust when agreed.
Long term strategic plan is a priority for the NT and work to start on this in 2022 as part of the
Treasure House..
Continued links with the school.
The hunt is going ahead but will not be using National Trust land.

8 PRECEPT 2022-2023:

The figures were discussed and it was resolved that the cost of cemetery path (£8595) be added to the precept request. Also £300 for the community orchard forest school requirements. £4000 (approx. 50% of the playground carpet replacement) to be funded by increase to General repairs and upgrades budget. NT to be requested to fund remaining 50%.
The amended precept figures to be presented for approval at the January meeting.

9 FOX TALBOT GRAVE:

A family member has indicated his willingness to be involved in the maintenance needed. PG has received a quote for the work needed on the grave but needs to obtain a second one. KB indicated that the Trust would be willing to help with caring for the grave.

10 RELISH RUNNING – MAKING OUR EVENTS CARBON NEUTRAL:

PG's emails refer to this item. Members queried what Relish would be doing in the future to reduce the carbon emissions from vehicles having to undertake a 20 mile diversion whilst the event is on. Their request for the present arrangements to remain the same for the next three years was not approved.

11 CORRESPONDENCE LIST:

- 1 Wiltshire Council re Outstanding Traffic Surveys – Backlog Update – contractor has been actively installing these in the hope of clearing the backlog before the Christmas holidays.
- 2 Wiltshire Council re Planning Appeals re 7 and 8-9 Nethercote Hill – comments by 15.12.21.
- 3 Vice Chair of Melksham Transport User Group re withdrawal of train services from London to Trowbridge and Bradford-on-Avon.
- 4 Martin Adlam – Atkins project completed and is being closed down. LPC to pay £8136 – does LPC agree with this value?
- 5 From Rev Clark-Maxwell re Fox Talbot grave
- 6 Melksham Without Parish Council re A350 Melksham Bypass Consultation Period – advising it is on the agenda for WC cabinet meeting on 30 November and a public update on the by-pass at the next WC area board meeting on 8 December.
- 7 Major Highways Projects at WC – A350 Melksham By-Pass – 2nd Public Consultation Report www.wiltshire.gov.uk/highways-a350-Melksham-bypass
- 8 Ashley Jones, Regional Fraud Protect Advisor – online free safety webinars commencing 22 January 2022.
- 9 Mrs Joad re Stoggy Lane NT to write to WCC to determine who owns this – Karen will speak to Tim Barber.
- 10 Disposal Manager, Green Square – advising disposal of 5 Rosemary House, Lacock.

12 FINANCE:

It was resolved (PG/ HS) that the following accounts be paid:

BACS	S J White	£ 470.05	(for November)
BACS	S Steward	£ 421.15	(for November)
BACS	Idverde Ltd	£ 233.98	(grounds Mtce Nov)
BACS	Wiltshire Council	£ 8136.00	(Traffic Study)
BACS	SLCC	£ 134.00	(Membership Sub)
BACS	Idverde Ltd	£ 54.00	(Dog bin emptying)
BACS	James Long Ltd	£ 100.00	(Refund re S Self)

ii) **Statement of Account –**

It was resolved (PB/LH) that the statement of account showing a balance of £15,696.10 as at 30 November 2021 in the Co-operative current bank account and £53,511.68 in the Cambridge and Counties deposit account should be signed by the chair as being correct.

iii) **Cemetery Path –**

A further quotation re cemetery path is required.

13 PLANNING:

PL/2021/10692

Reduce Silver Birch by 2m – Lacock School, High Street, Lacock.

NO COMMENT

PL/2021/11154

Development of swimming pool house, ancillary to the use of the host dwelling – 1 Bewley Edge, Lacock.

NO OBJECTION

PL/2021/11188

Proposed landscaping to create parking & turning area – The Old Mill, Lacock.

As the documents relating to this application were not available on the WC planning website it was agreed that an extension to the closing date be requested so that the proposals can be considered at the January meeting.

20/09594/FUL

Planning Appeal Notification against Refusal – 7 and 8-9 Nethercote Hill.

The PC maintains its original objection to the proposed development.

PL/2021/11328

Fell Purple Beech to approx 5m. Plant 2 replacement trees – Lackham College, Lacock.

NO COMMENT

PL/2021/11269

Works to Beech Tree to have large branch leaning towards property removed, work to 2 Lime Trees, Yew to have lateral reduction and another Yew to be reduced by 2m – 17 Bowden Hill, Lacock.

NO COMMENT

PI/2021/11392

Proposed single storey front extension and new window opening adjacent to rear entrance door under new porch canopy – 18 Bewley Crescent, Lacock.

NO OBJECTON

21/00940/FUL & 21/01546/LBC Notification of planning and listed building consent appeals- Sundawn, Chapel Hill, Lacock.

It was agreed that the PC's continued objection should be reiterated to the Planning Inspectorate.

14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION:

- i) Tailbacks at Sainsbury/KFC roundabout.
- ii) Gigaclear – delay into Reybridge.
- iii) Griffin Farm – approval for the two new buildings with conditions. Meeting to be held in New Year with NT (Tim Barber) and representative for Griffin Farm to review common following installation of new sewage system and also ongoing flooding on common.
- iv) Cedar trees in cemetery – when removed in 2016 what happened to the timber? and replacements? LS to ask Acer

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 10 January 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The Chair wished those present a Happy Christmas and the meeting closed at 9.31pm.

Signature of Chair upon approval of Minutes

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10 January 2022