

LACOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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DRAFT Minutes of the Parish Council meeting Held on 11 April 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

THOSE TAKING PART:

J Durrant (Chair), J Boldon, C Doel, P Glen, P Holliday, H Shepherd, P Burkinshaw, Simon Wise and P Shaw. Also present were Paul Alexander (National Trust) and three members of the public.

1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Helen Stride advised those present that she was organising two meetings in the village hall to discuss Wiltshire Council's development and bypass plans and help raise funds for the judicial review. She looked forward to the support of the Parish Council?

2 APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Derek Walters, Karen Bolger, Stuart Gregory and Louise Heren.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:

There were none.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was agreed (HS/PG) that the minutes of the meeting held on the 14 March 2022 be signed as a true record.

5 UPDATES FROM MINUTES:

The Clerk confirmed that contact had been made with WC arborist re the trees in the cemetery on the boundary with adjoining farm.

Neighbourhood Plan – JB explained that having spoken to senior officers at Wiltshire Council about a neighbourhood plan for Lacock it was made clear that there would be no benefit in having one. The justification for a plan is that you would be able to control future development. CD raised fact that Chippenham Neighbourhood Plan did not address flooding impacts caused by housing developments and there was no reference to the Distributor Road. JB agreed to raise concerns in response back due 12th April.

AOB – the date of the Annual Parish Meeting has been changed to Tuesday 17 May 2022 and the June meeting will be held on 20 June, not 13th.

6 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY REPORT:

P Holliday –

Thornbury Surfacing will be coming back to the cemetery to look at the problem with the recently resurfaced path. The Probation service will be coming four times next month.

P Burkinshaw –

Nothing to report.

H Shepherd –

Jubilee plans are progressing well with lots of support from local businesses.

Any volunteers to help with posting invites and also on 2nd and 5th June at the events would be much appreciated.

C Doel –

Attended Flood Working Group meeting. The Environment Officer and the WC Water Officer were present and CD asked about the sewage bed at Reybridge – they had no knowledge of it and CD has to send them a map. He also asked about the line of the proposed new bypass as the viaduct would be along the biggest length of flooding – 400 yards. Atkins had prepared a report but they had not seen it. Steve Wilson, Environment Agency, had not been involved in the discussions of the route and they did not know what is happening. The next meeting of the Group is on 9 May.

P Shaw –

A copy of SG's report had been circulated to members prior to the meeting. SG and PS will be asking WC to review the design and a lower cost solution for the High Street/West Street layout so that it is more likely to be successful. All the interventions will be discussed at the next CATG meeting on 11 April.

PS brought along the recently purchased Auto Speed Watch Camera System and he has the registering etc. in hand.

Double yellow lines at Whitehall completed in March.

Folly Lane lining needs repainting – this needs to be reported on MyWiltshire.

S Wise –

Footpaths - no action. Re the long standing issue at Whitehall Farm – we have now seen an informal proposal for a diversion. When we are able to comment on the formal proposal, it is intended to recommend kissing gates instead of stiles.

Community orchard – looking lovely. Calne Without Parish Council would like to come and see the orchard as they are considering a similar project.

P Glen –

Nothing to report.

7 NATIONAL TRUST UPDATE:

In Karen Bolger's absence Paul Alexander gave an update on the cottage lettings - they are working to minimise voids and re-let as soon as possible. They are planning for a busy Easter at the Abbey. Additional parking will be available in Farthings field next to the car park. Additional toilets in the car park for the Easter weekend. Building Supervisor is looking into the village hall damp issues. Doug Smith, new Senior Let Estate Building Surveyor covering Lacock and other NT places, has started. New Lettings Agent due to start in May.

Fencing for Hither Way has been ordered, Rob Curtis will install as soon as it arrives, if not available before Easter he will install a temporary solution.
Trees in river by bridge – contractor has now been located with necessary equipment to remove them.

8 WICK SOLAR FARM:

A sum of money from the solar farm will be paid early 2024. PC needs to get a Deed of Gift completed and get back to them with a proposal. Suggestions for possible projects, with costs, were needed ie track in playing field, gym equipment, solar lights in sports court (would need to consider light pollution). It was agreed that this be on the agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting so that parishioners could have input.

9 CORRESPONDENCE LIST:

- 1 PCC Philip Wilkinson Councillor update - New Police & Crime Plan launched.
- 2 P Self - details of diversion application for ROW LAC014 at Whitehall Farm submitted to Paul Millard Rights of Way Officer, Wiltshire Council.
- 3 Briefing Note 22-05 - update on industrial action between Hill Municipal Collections workers and GMB union.
- 4 Briefing Note 22-08 - Electoral Review Committee has launched a consultation on Draft Recommendations for changes to electoral and governance arrangements in a number of parishes - consultation 18 March - 5 May.
- 5 Lisa Culshaw re dog poo on Corsham Road common green (play area) - we have a dog bin for this area please. Also, football nets missing. **There is a bin on the far side. LS to contact GreenSquare re goalposts and what are their plans for the garages?**
- 6 SSEN Grant now opened - deadline 1 June - guidelines and application form available here: [Central southern England fund - SSEN](#)
- 7 Friends of Lacock School request permission to use Playing Field for Scarecrow Trail 16/17 July 2022. **Permission granted. Please ensure there is good communication with the village.**
- 8 From Public Protection Officer - Licensing re New Premises Licence Application - Whitehall Vineyard. **Permission granted on 8 April for 28 days usage.**
- 9 Briefing Note 22-09 - 5 Year Housing Land Supply and Housing Delivery Test
- 10 Briefing Note 22-10 - Electric Vehicle Charging Points
- 11 Derek Walters re Whitehall Vineyard.
- 12 Helen Stride + attachments re campaign to oppose development and road plans proposed by Wiltshire Council and requests the support of the PC in doing this.
- 13 Derek Walters forwarding request from resident at Notton to lower the speed limits on the Notton Lane. **PS has responded to this. Metros previously agreed but location could be not agreed.**

10 FINANCE:

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

BACS	S J White	£ 470.05	(for March)
BACS	S Steward	£ 419.85	(for March)
BACS	Idverde Ltd	£ 233.98	(grounds mtce March)
BACS	J Durrant	£ 35.05	(Jubilee invites)
BACS	Wiltshire Council	£ 219.56	(cemetery NNDR)
BACS	water2business	£ 89.13	(cemetery)
BACS	HM Revenue & Customs	£ 304.98	(PAYE)
BACS	Barthers Farm Nurseries	£ 109.74	(Beech tree)

BACS	S Steward	£ 79.99	(Microsoft subscription)
BACS	Auto Speed Watch	£ 558.80	(Roadside Unit)
BACS	Frome Area Trading Ltd	£ 1429.70	(PFWG)
BACS	WALC	£ 406.73	(Annual subscription)
BACS	P Glen	£ 114.50	(fuel)

ii) **Statement of Account –**

It was resolved (PH/PG) that the statement of account showing a balance of £7685.61 as at 21 February 2022 (Statement No 201) in the Co-operative current bank account and £39027.22 in the Cambridge and Counties deposit account should be signed by the chair as being correct.

11 PLANNING:

PL/2022/01932 – Listed Building consent

Replacement of modern skirting boards and architraves to first and second floor, infilling glazed borrowed light panel in first floor partition (retention of), removal of paint from exposed interior beams to the ground and first floor – The Tanyard, 17-18 Church Street, Lacock.

NO OBJECTION

14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION:

- i) Carpenters’ Arms – frontage needs clearing.
- ii) PH asked if we could match funding for Wise Owls from their raffle, it was pointed out that we could only award grants for specific items. Also noted some concern from parents from Wise Owls about the management of the committee etc.
- iii) Vote of thanks to Peter Glen and Patrick Holliday for their work on the Jubilee Garden.
- iv) Draft objectives for LPC/NT strategic plan will be offered for members consideration in advance of the next meeting. Creation of a PC Infrastructure/Facilities Register. SW to create the initial draft, and all AoR owners to provide SW with any relevant lists or information as source material.
- v) Ukraine group have met with National Trust – people can host families in their homes but NT cannot house them in the empty properties.

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 9 May 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 21:09

Signature of Chair upon approval of Minutes

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9 May 2022