

LACOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8 April 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

THOSE TAKING PART:

J Boldon (Chaired the meeting), P Glen, P Shaw, P Holliday, P Burkinshaw, S Wise, and L Heren, C Doel. Also present were five guests from Siemens and two members of the public.

1 APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from J Durrant, H Shepherd, S Gregory and D Walters

2 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Nothing raised

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:

PG registered a declaration of interest, Planning Application PL/2020/02334 Reserved matters, Rowden Park, Patterdown, Chippenham.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was agreed (SW/PB) that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 March 2024 be signed as a true record.

5 UPDATE FROM MINUTES/ACTION LOG

The action log was reviewed and updated. SW to circulate updated actions.
LS to chase response from Wiltshire Council re PC email re Bowden Hill House.
Emails issue closed – not currently an issue
Roads in Reybridge – carried forward
NT to review car parking charges

6 NATIONAL TRUST UPDATE:

Emily Frayling had provided a report which had been circulated to members prior to the meeting. No queries raised.

7 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY – REPORTS:

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P Shaw –

LTG – Residents’ Parking Area questionnaire request approval and support and gathering information for next step – how we can introduce the scheme.

C Doel -

At a recent Flood meeting it was mentioned that Parish Flood Wardens/Volunteers are not insured. Clerk instructed to enquire from PC insurers (BHIB) whether insurance covers these people.

S Wise -

Footpaths: still two closed and another 8/9 with minor defects – all reported on MyWiltshire. Community Orchard: Raised flower bed finished – ready for use by Wise Owls. Working party on 13 April at 10am.

L Heren –

LH was advised that there is one broken fence post.

P Burkinshaw –

Technical support for Website needed – compiling list of problems.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

- 1 From Wiltshire Council – Taxi Licensing – Creation of a Single Location Zone for Hackney Carriages
- 2 Chief Constable’s update to the PCC
- 3 Western Highways Wiltshire Council – Discretionary Gully Service Corsham and Chippenham 2 Community Area – 2-5 April 2024
- 4 From Lisa Culshaw – update on Corsham Road estate issues if Green Square fund and install a dog bin would it be possible for PC to be responsible for emptying the bin? **As DW is handling this matter, LS to request DW to pursue the emptying of the dog bin with Green Square.**
- 5 Wiltshire Police – Right Care Right Person to be rolled out in the Wiltshire Police area
- 6 From Linda Gainey requesting fixed litter bin for play area (Corsham Road estate) – **ask DW to request bin from Green Square**
- 7 PCC – Further investment in victims’ support services for children and adults announced
- 8 Briefing Note 25-06 Management of Council business and publicity during the pre-election period
- 9 Wiltshire Council – Blanket Order confirmed dates – Carriageway retexturing
- 10 SSEN PSR – Digital Toolkit
- 11 Update from Michelle Donelan re NT properties
- 12 From Derek Walters – Corsham Road action plan
- 13 From Sue Bevan re tree removal in cemetery – **PC was advised that the tree had died, and therefore required removal.**
- 14 WCC – Ask the Leader event in Corsham on 22 April
- 15 Grist – increase of 5% in charges
- 16 From PG – Red Lion access into playing field suffering from increased flooding since 2022.

9 REQUEST BY FOLS TO USE PLAYING:

A request had been received from FOLS to use the Playing Field for their annual Scarecrow Trail on 13/14 July 2024. It was agreed that permission be granted.

10 FINANCE:

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

Idverde Ltd	£233.99	(PF mtce – March)
Idverde Ltd	£246.20	(Grass cutting – March)
S Steward	£449.63	(for March)
S Steward	£ 14.74	(office/exp)
National Trust	£150.00	(Sports pavilion rent)
Wiltshire Council	£253.59	(Cemetery NND Rates)
Water2business	£142.73	(Cemetery)
Krystal Hosting Ltd	£132.00	(lacockparishcouncil.gov.uk)
Falcon Landscapes	£360.00	(Cemetery hedge)
Falcon Landscapes	£115.00	(Tree felling in Cemetery)
Falcon Landscapes	£485.00	(Hedge recreation area)
Dropbox	£199.00	(Dropbox annual sub)
HMRC	£337.20	(PAYE)

ii) **Statement of Account –**

It was resolved (PB/PG) the statement of account showing a balance of £18924.94 as at 15 March 2024 in the Co-operative Bank current account (statement no.241) and £39464.16 in the Cambridge & Counties deposit account should be signed by the Chair as being correct.

iii) **Grass Cutting contract 2024-2025 –**

Two tenders had been received and after due consideration it was agreed (CD/PS) that the contract for the village grass cutting be awarded to Idverde, for one year, at a cost of £2803.00 + VAT.

With regard to the cemetery grass cutting it was agreed that PC instruct Falcon Landscapes to do a cut as and when necessary, at a cost of £280 per cut.

Playing Field grass cutting – It was agreed (PG/SW) that Idverde be instructed to continue at a cost of £2708.20 + VAT.

11 **PLANNING:**

PL/2024/02642

Proposed works to trees in a conservation area – Land at Lacock Bridge, The Wharf, Lacock
NO COMMENT

PL/2024/02100 – Listed Building Consent

Works at 20 Church Street, Lacock
NO OBJECTION

PL/2024/01026 & PL/2024/01424 Listed Building Consent

Refurbishment and conversion in order to secure barn's future through new use – Bowden Park Farm, Naish Hill, Lacock – **NO OBJECTION in principle subject to all vehicles entering and leaving the site to use the westerly access from A342 and the maximum use of the facilities to be as stated in the planning application.**

PL/2024/03039

Proposed works to trees in a conservation area – fell 3 Ash trees – 24 Bowden Hill, Lacock
NO COMMENT

PL/2020/02334/REM

Reserved matters, Rowden Park, Patterdown, Chippenham (Redcliffe Phase 4) – **NO OBJECTION**, but PC wished to inform WC that a parcel of land in western part of the site, included in the REM application, does not have outline planning permission.

PL/2023/10960 – amended/additional information

Proposed single storey and 2 storey rear extension to 7,8 and 9 Nethercote Hill to create a single dwelling house, with off road parking and refuse, recycling and secure cycle storage.

OBJECTION – for reasons as stated previously

PL/2024/0321

Advertisement consent for 3 boards at Hither Way car park, Lacock, copse and area outside Stables Café

NO OBJECTION to Boards 1 and 2. OBJECTION to Board 3 due to size and out of keeping for the area.

12 OTHER MATTERS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION:

- i) There is only one key to the cemetery chapel – PH to obtain a quote for a duplicate to be made
- ii) Island at the Whitehall traffic lights – needs repair – long overdue.

13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 13 May 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

The meeting closed 9.52pm

Signature of Chair upon approval of Minutes

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13 May 2024