

LACOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4 March 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

THOSE TAKING PART:

J Durrant (Chair), J Boldon, P Glen, P Shaw, S Gregory, P Burkinshaw, S Wise, H Shepherd and C Doel. Also present were two members of the public.

1 APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from P Holliday, L Heren, Sonya Macmillan (NT) and L Steward (Clerk)

2 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Nothing raised

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:

PG registered a declaration of interest, Planning Application PL.2023/06727 Land at Showell Nurseries

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Amendment – 6th line Item 5 Update from Minutes/Action Log – should read “Flooding above the common in pond opposite Griffin Farm”

It was agreed (PB/CD) that the minutes of the meeting held on 12 February 2024 be signed as a true record.

5 UPDATE FROM MINUTES/ACTION LOG

The action log was reviewed and updated.

Water test report at Mill Farm received but further testing required – inconclusive. Continue to monitor.

No updated from PCC or Adam Walton re Speed Watch data – agreed to close Q&A re residents parking – circulated – no comments.

6 NATIONAL TRUST UPDATE:

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

7 AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY – REPORTS:

S Gregory -

SG's report had been circulated to members prior to the meeting
Gullies still need clearing and worst ones are Forest Lane down to the river. CD to raise with Gemma at meeting on 14/3

P Burkinshaw -

Paul to investigate why some emails aren't working. SW reported his had not been working for a couple of weeks and also intermittently don't work.

S Wise -

SW advised that two footpaths remain closed.
Community Orchard – dangerous trees have been removed. 16/3 working party to progress raised flowerbeds – all items required are on site.

C Doel –

Allotment AGM held. Grant for £100 for flower show requested. All agreed.
Attended induction for new vicar, Simon Dunn, on behalf of Parish Council.

H Shepherd –

Spring Clean 23/3 10am at The Bell
Lackham Lambing 16//17 March and 23/24 March. Back gate entrance will be open for one way system.
School bicentenary church service 20 June. Grant received for £2k for art installation to commemorate.

P Glen -

Hedge on Hither Way and 2 trees in cemetery requiring work. Quotes received from Flacon and West Country Services. PG proposed quotes from Falcon - £115 for trees and £485 for hedge – Seconded by PS. All Agreed. Request from PB that in future quotes are issued to all members of PC and summarized in email with proposal in advance of the council meeting.

P Shaw -

Stakeholder engagement plan for resident parking permit scheme being drafted.
One complain re West Street/High Street changes – horses can't see depth of raised tables.

8 PLAY PARK:

JB (NT) has passed request re extension of playground lease to NT Legal Team. JD to ask for timescales to respond.

9 CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1 Briefing Note 24-03 – Community Governance Review
- 2 From Ros Griffiths (WC) Community Area Joint Strategic Needs Assessment – new interactive platform
- 3 Parking at Carpenters Arms – Adrian Gott – **Discussed and agreed that PC could not support an application via LHFIG due to level of concern already raised by parishioners. JD to respond.**
- 4 Wiltshire PCC marks one year since new Chief Constable appointment

- 5 Defibrillator Grant Scheme – **HS to speak to The Bell to see if they would consider having a defibrillator located on outside of building.**
- 6 From Ken Trussell (Lacock Gardens & Allotments Asscn) – is LPC sponsorship OK for this year? **Agreed**
- 7 Derek Walters – Bydemill Brook Report
- 8 WC – Local Nature Recovery Strategy Update
- 9 PCC Phillip Wilkinson’s March Parish Column
- 10 Wiltshire PCC – National Funding to tackle anti-social behaviour and violence welcomed by PCC
- 11 Briefing Note 24-04 – Development of Cultural Strategic for Wiltshire
- 12 CPRE Wiltshire Best Kept Village Competition 2024
- 13 Wiltshire PCC – Supports more community groups by awarding grants via Community Action Fund
- 14 Wiltshire Scrapstore – Invite to 25th Anniversary Open Day on Wednesday 17 April 2024 – rsvp 30 March 2024 – **JB will attend**
- 15 Chief Constable update to the PCC

10 FINANCE:

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

Idverde Ltd	£. 233.99	(PF mtce - February)
Idverde Ltd	£. 246.20	(grass cutting - February)
S Steward	£. 449.63	(for February)
S Steward	£ 13.99	(office expenses February)
Wiltshire Council	£20000.00	(West Street/High Street)

ii) **Statement of Account –**

It was resolved (JB/PG) the statement of account showing a balance of £39888.07 as at 1 March 2024 in the Co-operative Bank current account (statement no.240) and £39464.16 in the Cambridge & Counties deposit account should be signed by the Chair as being correct.

11 PLANNING:

PL/2024/01538

Remove 3 Horse chestnut trees – Land adj to Playing Field, Hither Way, Lacock.

NO COMMENT

PL/2024/01582

Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area – 34 Bowden Hill, Lacock

NO COMMENT

PL/2023/06727

Duplicate of reserved matters application for Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale for the election of 120 no. Dwellings – Land at Showell Nurseries, Showell, Chippenham

NO OBJECTION OVERALL but concern that the 3 storey blocks of dwellings are out of keeping with the rest of the development

PL/2024/01560

Laying of section of underground cable linking an approved solar farm to the approved cable route within National Grid’s land, together with ancillary work – Land at Wick Farm, Wick Lane, Lacock

NO OBJECTION

PL/2024/00897 & PL/2024/00871 Listed Building consent application

Replacement of existing external windows and doors, new render finish to the external façade, rebuilding of the existing extension, air source heat pump store and photovoltaic panels to the roof – Property 1, Wiltshire College and University Centre, Lacock **NO OBJECTION**

PL/2024/09856

Permission in principle for the erection of up to 4 no. self-build dwellings – Land at Notton, Corsham Road, Lacock – Appeal to Planning Inspectorate - **DISMISSED**

12 OTHER MATTERS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION:

- i) State of roads at Reybridge – CD/PG to draft letter to Richard Clewer re flooding and damage.

13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 8 April 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.47pm

Signature of Chair upon approval of Minutes

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8 April 2024