

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 8th November 2010 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH

Present: Cllr Mrs Francis (Chairman), Cllr Corney (Vice Chairman), Cllr Cox, Cllr Polgreen, Cllr Mrs Togood, Cllr Mrs Lester, Cllr Lewis, Cllr Henderson, Cllr Giles, D Cllr Caborn and the clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES** C Cllr Mrs Compton
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
 - a. Update to the register of interests – no update declared
 - b. Personal interests in items on the agenda declared – no update declared
 - c. No prejudicial interests in items on the agenda declared.
3. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM**

Mr and Mrs Bennett of Rising Lane expressed their concerns regarding the speed of traffic in Rising Lane, which they felt was dangerous particularly in the dark and had increased since the restrictions in Old Warwick Road. C Cllr Mrs Compton has reported this to the Police who have undertaken to monitor the situation. Clerk to contact Baddesley Clinton PC to get their view of any attempt to reduce the speed limit.
4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** :- Parish Council Meeting – 11th October 2010
Signed and agreed as true record.
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** (not covered elsewhere on the agenda) - none
6. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - a. **Living Roots Project** – a new project which aims to integrate younger and older people through investigating the history and heritage of wild plants and flowers – Cllr Mrs Francis to consider
 - b. **Census 2011** – details of recruitment for staff - circulated
 - c. **Vitalise** – request for donations to provide breaks for disabled people and carers - noted
7. **PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION** in Circulation Box
 - a. **Central Warwickshire Villages Leader** October Newsletter
 - b. **Help with Grant Funding** – details of how to access project funding
 - c. **Affordable Rural Housing A Practical Guide for Parish Councils** from Rural Housing Alliance
8. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**

D Cllr Caborn advised that the Regional Spatial Strategy was now gone and this would be replaced with a Warwick District Local plan. The District Council was currently putting in place initiatives to manage a £3.2 million deficit by 2014/2015, this included some aspects of joint working with Stratford and a review of grants to the third sector. It was aiming to avoid any redundancies but this could not be guaranteed. There was to be no Council Tax increase for 2011/2012.

 - a. **Transfer of Vicarage Road Allotments** – It was formally proposed by Cllr Corney and seconded by Cllr Lewis to accept the transfer of the allotments from Warwick District Council to Lapworth Parish Council ownership. Councillors agreed unanimously. Clerk to contact WDC to advise the Parish Council wished to proceed with the transfer subject to some minor amendments.
 - b. **Warwick District Council Agenda 20th October 2010** – in circulation box
 - c. **Travel Tokens** – D Cllr Caborn advised that the take up of travel tokens was being monitored and the rural transport initiative being reviewed.
 - d. **Appointment of Monitoring and Deputy Monitoring Officer** – Andrew Jones and Graham Leach respectively following retirement of Robert Inman
9. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

C Cllr Mrs Compton had forwarded details of financial challenges facing the C Council as the County has to make savings of £60 million by 2014. The document 'Facing the Challenge' should be on the web site with Email. youchoose@warwickshire.gov.uk for residents to give their views on where the savings should come from. The list is under the headings - Adult Social

Care, Services for Children and Young People, Highways & Transport, Community Safety, Community Based Services. Everyone is encouraged to comment as it will affect their lives for years to come. Clerk to publicise in Parish Magazine.

- a. **Map of Gritting Routes** – circulated
- b. **Snow Wardens**- the County Council was proposing a network of snow wardens within Parishes to provide information to the County Highways team on local weather conditions. It was felt that this happened naturally and no need to nominate one person. The Clerk was requested to forward tips and advice on clearing snow to the Parish Magazine.

10. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCIL**

- a. **NALC Briefing on Government Spending Review of 20th October 2010** – in circulation box
- b. **WALC (Warwick) Area Committee** – invitation to meeting on 17th January, Minutes of 27th September meeting and constitution
- c. **October Update** – Including Council Tax Freeze, 2011 Local Election Date, The Big Society and Employment Briefing – in circulation box
- d. **Conflict Resolution Workshop** Friday 4th February 10am to 12 noon Bidford on Avon

11. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**

Cllr Ross voiced concerns on behalf of the Village Hall Committee regarding people driving on the grass and the broken cigarette box.

- a. **Village Hall Projector** – this was now in the care of the Village Hall treasurer and available for hire at a nominal fee.
- b. **Cinema Club** – there was discussion regarding a Cinema Club that the VH Committee were looking into. Cllr Caborn advised that there may be money available from the Rural Initiatives Scheme.
- c. **Broadband at Village Hall** – subject to costs the Parish Council agreed to fund installation of broadband at the Village Hall. The Village Hall Committee would then pick up the ongoing costs. Cllr Ross to investigate installation.

12. **LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES**

- a. **Brome Hall Toilets** – end of season now closed for the winter months
- b. **Grass Cutting Contract 2011** – agreed to defer to January 2011
- c. **ROSPA Play Area Safety Inspection Report** – Cllr Cox to look at the upright posts. Repainting of some of the play equipment to be considered in the spring. Cllr Corney suggested consideration be given to using the Community Payback team to do the work.

13. **WARWICK DISTRICT RURAL WEST COMMUNITY FORUM**

- a. **Extra Ordinary Meeting** - 2nd December 7.30, Shire Hall to consider Warwickshire County Council Localities Review – Cllr Lester to attend
- b. **Next meeting 27th January 2011 Shire Hall** – Cllr Lester to attend
- c. **Meeting of 28th October 2010** - Cllr Corney reported regarding a presentation from the Probation Service on Community Payback; and increase in ASBO's in Warwick Rural West from 5 to 12; and that there was an excess of SMART Water available. Clerk to contact PS Kettle to ascertain the situation.
- d. **News letter** – in circulation box

14. **ROADS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY** - General highway issues

- a. **Vicarage Road temporary closure** from the junction with Glass house Lane and the county boundary 29th November to 3rd December 2010
- b. **Rising Lane Speed Limit/Speeding** – previously discussed

15. **OTHER ITEMS**

- a. **Memorial Bench** – Cllr Lester had liaised with Mary Rollaston who had chosen a memorial bench for her parents, Tom and Trudie Bottrill. Clerk to check VAT against installation costs (prev £60 in tarmac area). Bench to be delivered to Cllr Lewis who would advise of the location
- b. **Noticeboards** – Cllr Mrs Francis to discuss repairs with Richard Morton
- c. **Proposed Meeting Dates 2011** - agreed

16. **PLANNING**

- 16.1 Documents for circulation/items for discussion – none to date

Mr and Mrs Martin had written regarding the **stables at corner of Packwood Lane**. Cllr Henderson to check the position with CPRE. Clerk to advise the District Council of the concerns.

Marina Update – The developers had now posted their evidence of demand and the opposition group its counter views.

16.2 **Planning applications for consideration,**

W10/1099	Erection of replacement dwelling following the demolition of two existing dwellings, with a detached garage Land at Willow House, Cheswood Grange, Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth
	No objection
W10/1277	Change of drive position and erection of wall and pillars; change of use of land from agriculture to residential access Chessetts Cottage, Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth
	No objection
W10/1211	Erection of stable and hay store (amendment to roof pitch to 35 degrees) Bakers Barn, Bakers Lane, Knowle
	OBJECTION – Green Belt; no special circumstances or reason to depart from development plan; if permission granted could cause pressure for future conversion of the building to new use eroding the character of the rural area
W10/1285	Erection of a two storey side extension Priory Farm, Rising Lane, Lapworth
	Objection - overdevelopment
W10/1359	Erection of a replacement conservatory. Installation of replacement dormer window. Erection of 1.8m high front boundary fence Mafeking, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth
	No objection
W10/1375	Erection of a two storey side extension to form hall/garage with bedroom over and a rear conservatory Terets Cottage, Rising Lane, Lapworth
	No objection

16.3 **Decision Notices -**

W10/1136	Erection of single storey front and rear extensions and addition of a south facing dormer window Holmlea, 2 Wharf Lane, Lapworth	Granted
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17. **FINANCE**

a. **Balances as at 8th November 2010**

Account	Date	Amount
Community Account	12.10.2010	£22,426.77
Business Saver Account No. 50750662	19.8.2010	£618.42
Business Saver Account No. 20098531	19.8.2010	£11,459.30
National Savings	15.2.2010	£1,552.17

b. **Payments 8th November 2010**

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	Amount
	101210	Clerk Oct salary and expenses	£424.06
	101211	Post Office ltd Oct tax, NI, Employers NI	£114.5
1556	101212	Village Hall room hire 11 th October 2010	£22.00.
215	101213	WP Stewart Toilet Cleaning (£200) plus gardening at Village Hall (£80)	£280.00
227798	101214	ROSPA Report (VAT £11.56)	£77.56

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS - none

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