

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 8th OCTOBER 2007 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD
WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH AT 7.30PM

Present: Chairman Cllr Mrs Francis, Corney, Polgreen, Mrs Toogood, Mrs Lester,
Cllr C Henderson, C. Cllr Mrs Compton, D. Cllr Caborn.

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllrs Lewis, Cox and Mrs Fox

2. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM**
No matters raised

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
None

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting of 10th September 2007, having been circulated, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman.

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Canal Site – Councillor Henderson advised that further information was being sought in relation to the plaque to Len Wall.

Councillor Henderson to progress

In relation to the **speed limit review** County Councillor Mrs Compton had received a response from the County Council that advised that the outcome of the assessments of A and B roads will be published in January 2008 at which time communities will be invited to comment. Following this a report will be taken to Warwick Area Committee in March 2008 and Members will decide the relative priority for when each speed limit should be implemented. The programme of implementation will run from 2008 to 2011 as specified by the Department for Transport.

No action pending invitation to comment

Parish and Town Council Focus Group – Councillor Mrs Toogood had attended a recent meeting the aim of which had been to enable County, District and Parish Council's to work more closely. The County had asked how it could help Parish Councils and was keen to promote its Customer Service Centre which can be called on 01926 410410 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday, and its email contact which can be accessed via Warwickshire.gov.uk.

Clerk to publicise

Safer Neighbourhoods – Councillor Corney had attended a meeting of the Warwickshire Safer Neighbourhoods campaign on 27th September. The mobile police unit had been to Lapworth that day but disappointingly

no-one had visited it. It was agreed to get the dates the Unit would be coming and to publicise them.
Clerk to action

Lapworth Please Drive Slowly Sign – this was still progressing and Councillor Mrs Francis was waiting for a response from the County Council.
No action pending response

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Received –

7. **PUBLICATIONS**

Included in circulation box.

8. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL** – Documents for Circulation
None

9. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**

a) Canal Picnic Site – tidying up of the Canal Picnic site was included in the contractors, Glendale, autumn program. **For information**

b) Toilets Picnic Site – the toilets would remain open till the end of October.
For information

c) Canal Waste Disposal - Councillor Henderson advised that British Water Ways were also concerned about the rubbish at the locks and although they did not believe it was left by boaters the lockkeeper had been clearing it away. It was believed that a clearer sign was needed to the waste disposal site on the upward approach.

Councillor Henderson to progress

d) **Green Bins** – The District Council have asked for addresses of those without green bins, or alternatively people could contact the Council on 01926 450000 or by emailing ehwaste@warwickdc.gov.uk to request one. Councillor Caborn advised that a total review of recycling and rubbish collection was scheduled from April 2008.
Clerk to action

10. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL -**

a) **Warwickshire Emergency Scheme** – Councillor Polgreen had updated the Emergency Plan and it was circulated for comments to be returned at the next meeting. Mick Potter of the County's Emergency Planning Unit was to visit a meeting of the Parish Council to talk through the emergency plan.
Clerk to change date

b) **Sandbags** – the County will supply unfilled sandbags. It was agreed to request 50 which Councillors Mrs Francis and Mrs Lester undertook to store and distribute.
Clerk to request

c) **High Visibility Jackets** – the County would supply additional jackets – a further 4 were to be requested.
Clerk to request

d) **Grit Bins** – the County would be requested to refill grit bins as necessary. It was pointed out that it was a public responsibility to spread

the grit as necessary when needed and that this was easier to do if there was a scope/tub in the grit bin.

Councillor Mrs Francis to advise clerk of location of grit bins and clerk to progress

A request for a grit bin at Mill Lane had been received and it was agreed to get a price for consideration.

Clerk to action

11. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS** - Documents for circulation.

a) Training opportunities to be circulated

12. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**

a) **Youth Club Storage** – A request to place a secure and moveable metal container for storage, in the grounds of the Village Hall had been received from the Youth Club. Whilst the Parish Council wished to support the Youth Club it was agreed the most appropriate action was for Councillor Mrs Frances would advise the Youth Club to contact the Village Hall Committee.

Councillor Mrs Francis to action

b) **Car Park** – the siting and subsequent moving of a wheelie bin had created a hollow. This was currently being filled by a grit bin but would need to be filled in properly. Councillor Mrs Frances undertook to talk to Mr Williams.

Councillor Mrs Francis to action

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

a) **Pavement – Bell Cottages, Old Warwick Road** – Councillor Compton had contacted Chris Burrow at WCC in relation to the lack of pavement outside Bell Cottages. A response had been received that advised that the cost of installing a pavement that met safety standards would be excessive and as such it would not be possible to pursue.

Councillor Mrs Francis to action

b) **Trees Guidance Note** – Councillor Mrs Frances had drafted guidance in relation to trees bordering the public highway, this was agreed for insertion

Councillor Mrs Francis to action

c) **Bonfire Night the Boot** – Councillor Mrs Lester had been advised by the police (Gary Holtby) that cones and 'Police Slow' signs would be put either side of the event, but they could not guarantee police presence on the 5th November as they were on duty for the whole of Warwickshire. The licensee had given assurances that the event would be well managed and the police had suggested that a neighbouring field be hired for additional parking. In an effort to free up parking space the Parish Council agreed to move its meeting from 5th to 19th November and also flagged up that there was parking available at the doctor's surgery.

C Councillor Mrs Compton and D Councillor Caborn undertook to advise Gary Holtby of the concerns regarding parking arrangements for the event.

Cllrs Caborn & Mrs Compton to action

d) paths@warwickshire.gov.uk - this email address may be used for reporting problems with public footpaths.

For information

- e) **Harborough Cottages** – a request had been received to trim back the trees obscuring the view for safe crossing of the road by Harborough Cottages. The Parish Council agreed to this request.

Councillor Mrs Francis to action

- f) **Farming and the Public Highway** – C Councillor Mrs Compton had been forwarded a copy of the publication ‘Farming and the Public Highway’ – the Parish Council agreed to request 100 for distribution.

Clerk to action

14. **PLANNING**

- a) **Planning on line** – notification had been received that planning applications and plans could now be viewed, and commented on, on line at warwickdc.gov.uk. Councillors suggested a hyperlink to the agenda and Councillor Polgreen undertook to advise on this matter.

Clerk/Councillor Polgreen to action

- b) W07/0407 Appeal against the refusal of vehicular access for Lombardy, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth – Councillors undertook to visit the site and let the clerk know whether they objected to the access being granted by 25th October 2007.

All to action, Clerk to respond

- c) High Park House, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth - appeal against enforcement order – the Parish Council supported the District Council’s enforcement notice.

- d) Planning applications for consideration:

W07/ 1548 LB	Little Rising, Rising Lane, Lapworth Replacement of Windows to match existing Mr R Higgins	No Objection
W07/ 1553	Hole House farm, Hole House Lane, Lapworth Erection of single storey extension and independent green house Mr & Mrs D Suggitt	No Objection
W07/ 1555	Maroban, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth Erection of two storey extension to side of existing dwelling Mr S Allen	No Objection
W07/ 1561	52 Chapel Lane, Lapworth Replacement of dwelling and erection of detached garage Dodd Home Ltd	No Objection
W07/ 1591	Catesby Cottage, Catesby Lane, Lapworth Retention of annex for uses incidental to the occupation of Catesby Cottage Mr & Mrs C Greenway	No objection However would request planners to ensure annex is for incidental use only – not a separate household
W07/ 1600	Bon Accord Farm, Valley Lane, Lapworth Internal alterations and erection of porch to front Mr P R Williams	No Objection
W07/ 1606	108 Station Lane, Lapworth Erection of a detached double garage with side log store Mr Kew	No objection

e) Decision Notices

W07/1175	The Bungalow, Meadow Lane, Lapworth Erection of side roof extension and dormer window M & J Fleckner	REFUSED
W07/1362	Bow Hill, 178 Bakers Lane, Lapworth Erection of triple detached garage – amended design/retrospective Mr C Yarnell	GRANTED
W07/1312	Oaklyn, Bakers lane, Lapworth Two storey side extension, remodelling of dwelling, construction of new roof Mr & Mrs Jennings	GRANTED
W07/1346	Harvest Barn, Bakers Lane, Lapworth Electric gates to Ploughmans Barn and Harvest Barn, Bakers Lane Mr J Evans	GRANTED

- f) Reference was made to potential building works having been carried out at Yew Tree Cottage, Grove Road and it was suggested that further details regarding them should be obtained from the District Planning Officer.
Clerk to action

15) **FINANCE BALANCES as at 8th October 2007**

Community Account – statement date 12-9-07	£	7,611.36
Business Premium Account	£	607.21
Business Reserve Acct - Statement date 31-8-07	£	11,062.08
National Savings	£	1,447.68

PAYMENTS TO BE AUTHORISED 8th OCTOBER 2007

Invoice No	Cheque No	Payee	Amount
0803	100959 signed 10.9	Lapworth Village Hall (9/7 & 25/7)	46.00
	100960 signed 10.9	Diane Chambers (June to Sept)	651.00
1822	100961	R Clifton Sept.	50.00
	100962	Midland Hedging (to 30.8.07)	70.00
12262	100963	Steve's Industries (August 07)	326.06
	100964	Lapworth Village Hall (Sept grant)	300.00
	100965	Clerks Salary/Expenses Aug & Sept	684.81
	100966	LPCC – St Mary's Church June & Sept grant	500.00
total			£2627.87

16) **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

19th NOVEMBER 2007 – PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.00m

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DATE

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