

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 9th JULY 2012 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH

Present: Cllr Mrs Francis (Chairman), Cllr Corney (Vice Chairman), Cllr Mrs Jay, Cllr Mrs Toogood, Cllr Mrs Lester, Cllr Lewis, Cllr Giles, Cllr Henderson, C Cllr Mrs Compton, and the clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES** - Cllr Mrs Ludlow, D Cllr Caborn
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
 - a. Register of Interests: none updated
 - b. to declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature – none declared
 - c. to declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature – none declared
3. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM**

Several members of the public were present. Including Mr Waseem Yaqub in relation to Aylesbury House Hotel. A local resident was present to express her concern about how her daughter had been spoken to and treated by an official of the Dorridge Fun Run when she was trying to get to work on the morning of the Fun Run. It was proposed to ask Mr Maundrell to the October Parish Council meeting for a review of this year's fun run and to see if there were any learning points that could improve any subsequent events.
4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:-**
 - a) Parish Council Meeting – 11th June 2012 agreed and signed as a true record
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** – Mr Waseem Yaqub has written expressing disappointment that the Parish Council has not supported his change of name and address proposal for Aylesbury House Hotel. The Parish Council is not able to influence a change of postal address but agreed to write confirming that Aylesbury House Hotel is in the Parish of Lapworth
6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Packwood House – letter of thanks for support – in circulation box
Lapworth Charity – had written to request the re-appointment of Mr David Goldsmith by the Parish Council as a Trustee. The Parish Council supported Mr Goldsmith's re-appointment and asked the Clerk to write to the Charity for the names and terms of office for all those appointed by the Parish Council.
Solihull Gypsy and Traveller Site Preferred Options - noted
7. **PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION** in Circulation Box
8. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**
 - a. **Local Plan Briefing/Consultation** – Parish Councillors to respond individually
 - b. **Revised Code of Conduct** – the Revised Code of Conduct had been previously circulated and was proposed for adoption by Cllr Mrs Francis and seconded by Cllr Mrs Lester. It was unanimously adopted.
 - c. **Emergency Plan Update**
 - d. **Standards Committee Agenda** 27th June 2012 in circulation box
 - e. **WDC Council Agenda** 28th June 2012 in circulation box
9. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
 - a. **Highways and Transport Update** – in circulation box. There was discussion regarding ongoing problems on Chessetts Wood Road and the potential that there might be a natural spring there. Cllr Mrs Compton to follow up.
10. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**
 - a. **Code of Conduct Resume** – in circulation box
11. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**
 - a. **Flooding** – There had been flooding of the Committee Rooms in the recent bad weather and a question raised as to who was responsible for safeguarding the building

against a reoccurrence. Cllr Mrs Compton undertook to advise about aqua-sacs and the Parish Council confirmed that the maintenance of the fabric of the building was the responsibility of the Village Hall Committee.

b. **Parish Council Village Hall Representative** There was some discussion about the role of the Parish Council Village Hall representative and it was agreed that Parish Councillors would attend the Village Hall AGM.

c. **Interactive Whiteboard** – Cllr Mrs Ludlow had done a good deal of research and had offered to arrange for a demonstration for the September meeting. It was agreed to schedule this for 7pm and invite members of the Village Hall Committee.

12. **LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES**

a. **Village Green the Oaks** – Legal advice received from NALC was circulated for Councillors to read and discuss at the September meeting.

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

a. **Meeting dates** - 27th Sept 2012

b. **Defibrillator Funding** – the Clerk had obtained details as requested advised whilst other Parish Councils had been instrumental in gaining funding for defibrillators, they were generally held by other organisations such as the WI or First Aiders Group. The Clerk was requested to find out if there was one held at either the Punch Bowl or the Boot.

c. **Behind the Scenes Newsletter** in circulation box

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

a. **Dorridge Fun Run** – previously discussed

b. **Overhanging Hedge by Scout Hut** – Clerk was requested to write to Mr Carver, Mrs Hamner, and the residents of St Chads Cottages to request that they cut the hedge back as it was blocking the pavement.

15. **OTHER ITEMS**

a. **Parish Plan Progress** – Cllr Mrs Jay update on the progress made by the Parish Plan Steering Group. This included the following appointments being made

Deryk King – Chairperson

Martyn Atkinson – Vice Chairperson

Jonathon Child – Treasurer

Charlotte Jay - Secretary

Clare Child – Communications, PR & Event Co-ordinator

Janet King & Sandra Hamilton – sharing the roles of Volunteer Co-ordinator and Youth Co-ordinator

Social Media such as Facebook and Twitter was being used to engage all sectors of the Community. It was anticipated a draft of the questionnaire would be available by the end of September.

It was requested that the Parish Council provide a bank account facility, rather than a separate one be set up. The Parish Council had no objection but wished to see if they could use a separate account to ensure all transactions were kept separate and transparent.

b. **CPRE Meeting Update** – Cllr Mrs Francis had attended the CPRE AGM and advised that it was a very informative evening and that there were a range of services that could be used.

16. **PLANNING**

a. Documents for circulation/items for discussion –**Review of Planning Decisions** deferred to August meeting

b. **Marina Update** – Appeal withdrawn noted

c. **Rowington Development** . It was advised the Graham Bull of Rowington intended to develop a further piece of land by Nursery Cottages and the clerk was requested to ask him if he would present his proposals to the August meeting.

d. **Planning applications for consideration,**

W12/0267	Erection of two storey rear extension, side extension and new porch 7 Station Lane, Lapworth
	Objection on the grounds of overdevelopment, question percentage size growth of the extension. It is not in keeping with the street scene of group of uniform 1930 houses and will affect the symmetry of the grouping.
W12/0642	Erection of rear ground floor extension The Old Cottage, Lapworth Street, Lapworth
	No objection
W12/0698	Erection of replacement stable block (amendment to approved W12/0205) Land adjoining Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth
	The Parish Council reiterated its previous objection to the application on the following grounds: - change in design and appearance is inappropriate to the rural area - to the best of the Parish Council's knowledge the current buildings have not been used for stabling since erection - it is concerned that the changes could be a stepping stone to something unacceptable. And added the following concerns – there is no ecology report so no information about what species may be nesting in the building or nearby, there have been objections raised to the Parish Council by neighbours, the building is too large and the Parish objects to the introduction of sewerage facilities on the site.
W12/0701	Demolition of two poultry houses and erection of new barn Meadow Hill Farm, Lapworth Street, Bushwood
	No objection
W12/0731	Conversion of existing outbuilding to triple garage unit with addition of pitched roof Yew Tree Cottage, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth
	Lapworth PC has no objection to the proposal but is concerned about the height of the pitched roof which will be very visible and affect the street scene. Suggest a sloping roof.
W12/0732	Two storey side extension 3 Featherstone Grange, Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth
	No objection
W12/0777	Erection of a gazebo Oak Gables, 77 Bakers Lane, Knowle
	No objection

e. **Decision Notices -**

W11/1049	Improvements to visitor facilities	Granted
W11/1050 LB	Packwood House, Packwood Lane, Lapworth	
W11/1319	Erection of two storey rear extension Willow Cottage, BromeHall Lane, Lapworth	Granted
W11/1621	Construction of car park and horse transport manoeuvring area ancillary to adjoining paddock with vehicle access (retrospective)	Granted
	Land opposite Heronbrook House, Bakers Lane, Knowle	
W12/0332	Retention of building to provide pre-school unit Lapworth Pre-School, Station Lane, Lapworth	Granted
W12/0452	Erection of garden wall and gates Packwood Hall, Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth	Granted

17. **FINANCE**

a. **Review of Insurance Arrangements - deferred**

b. **Payments 9th July 2012**

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	Amount
	101336	Clerk June salary and expenses	£466.96
		Printer and Ink VAT £30.66	£183.97
	101337	Post Office ltd June tax, NI, Employers NI	£109.80
1950	101338	Village Hall June room	£24.00
	101339	Ransons VH Border Maintenance VAT £82.00	£492.00
	101340	Fairways 2 nd , 3 rd and 4 th of seven instalments VAT £150	£900.00
	101341	J Glover Bromehall retainer May and June	100.00
	101342	West Accountants – Annual Return fee	300.00
	101343	Packwood Garden Services Bomehall cleaning plus equipment	204.29
	101344	Heart of England Way membership fees	7.00
	101345	J Green – Hedge Work Village Hall	83.00

2012 MEETINGS **7.30 PM Monday**13th August provisional Planning Only, 10th September, 8th October, 12th November, 10th December 2012