

## LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MAY 2011 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH

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

1. **APOLOGIES** - D Cllr Caborn, C Cllr Mrs Compton
2. **DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**  
All Councillors signed and had witnessed the declaration of acceptance of office.
3. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
  - a. Register of Interests: All Councillors completed and updated their register of interests.
  - b. Personal interests in items on the agenda declared – none
  - c. No prejudicial interests in items on the agenda declared.
4. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR**  
Cllr Mrs Francis was proposed by Councillor Corney, seconded by Cllr Mrs Lester and unanimously elected as Chairman for the forthcoming year. The declaration of acceptance of office was signed and witnessed.
5. **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR**  
Cllr Corney was proposed by Councillor Mrs Francis, seconded by Cllr Lewis and unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman for the forthcoming year. The declaration of acceptance of office was signed and witnessed
6. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM**  
Representatives of the Lodge Farm Barn planning application for a Garden Room were present to make Councillors aware of inconsistencies by the District Council in relation to the application of 'special circumstances' in relation to the granting of additions to barn conversions. It was agreed that the clerk would be supplied with details of the inconsistencies and advise that District Council that Lapworth Parish Council supported that a consistent approach should be maintained.  
  
Mr Smalley was present to express concern regarding the proposed new access and redevelopment of the site for the Spinney, Rising Lane. Mr Rae the applicant explained that there would be no change to the use of the accesses and the house was being reorientated to make a south facing back garden.
7. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:-**
  - a) Parish Council Meeting – 11<sup>th</sup> April 2011 – signed and agreed as a true record
8. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)
  - a. Response re Dorridge Fun Run – response received from the District Council advising that the closure of the road had not been a problem for seven years. The clerk requested to write and advise that the road had only been closed for three years and it had been a problem for each year, could consideration be given to closing it later in the day.
  - b. Response re lorries turning into Brome Hall Lane – advised by WCC that it would some time before it would be attended to. Clerk requested to write to Solihull MBC to request that adequate warning signage of the low bridge be placed in Hockley Heath and to WCC to ask whether the warning sign in Shrewley after the junction was in the most effective place.
  - c. Response re Police Post –confirmation from the Police that they would be vacating the police post. Clerk requested to advise the Village Hall Committee that they could make use of the space.
  - d. Response re Canal Bridge – from British Waterways advising that it was scheduled for repair in June

9. **CORRESPONDENCE**
  - a. **CPRE and Planning** – details of how CPRE can help with advice re planning - circulated
10. **PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION** in Circulation Box
  - a. **Western Express**
  - b. **CPRE Fieldwork Magazine**
11. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**
  - a. **Warwick District Council Meeting** – 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011 in circulation box
  - b. **Planning Committee Agenda** 26<sup>th</sup> April 2011 on circulation box
  - c. **Notice of Uncontested Election** – in circulation box
  - d. **Local Plan** – clerk to contact D Cllr Caborn re a potential joint meeting with Rowington.
12. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
  - a. **Road Safety** – Details of low cost options for dealing with speeding traffic
  - b. **Library Consultation** – mixed views regarding proposed closures – responses can be made on line.
13. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**
  - a. **Induction Days for New Councillors** – Clerk to book Cllr Mrs Jay for 18<sup>th</sup> June 2011
  - b. **Consultation regarding future of Local Govt Audit** following demise of Audit Commission – responses by 30<sup>th</sup> June – in circulation file.
  - c. **Closing Dates for LEADER Funding Bids** – in circulation box
  - d. **Details of NALC Annual Conference** – in circulation box
  - e. **Local Councillor Shadowing Award** – in circulation file
14. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**
  - a. **Royal Wedding Party** – was reported as a great success even making a small profit.
  - b. **Request from VH Committee for recycling facilities** – clerk to contact WDC to see if a bottle bank could be put in place.
15. **LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES**
  - a. **Toilets** – request to extend ‘open’ season. After some discussion it was agreed that this would not be cost effective and could also lead to frozen pipes in the winter. Clerk to respond.
16. **WARWICK DISTRICT RURAL WEST COMMUNITY FORUM**
  - a. **Next meeting 26<sup>th</sup> May 2011 Bishops Tachbrook** – Cllr Mrs Toogood to attend
17. **ROADS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY** - General highway issues
  - a. **Low Bridge** – already discussed
18. **OTHER ITEMS**
  - a. **Parish Council Vacancy** – to be advertised with potential candidates to make a presentation prior to the June meeting.
19. **PLANNING**
  - 19.1 Documents for circulation/items for discussion – none
  - 19.2 **Planning applications for consideration**

W11/0302	Proposed replacement dwelling (re-submission of W10/1258) The Spinney, Rising Lane, Lapworth
	No objection to replacement dwelling. Concern regarding vehicular access on to Packwood Lane as originally for agricultural use and concern if construction traffic use this access that there will be damage to flora and fauna including trees, pond and badgers.
W11/0308	Erection of replacement dwelling The Rising, Rising Lane, Lapworth
	No objection subject to existing trees being retained
W11/0124	Erection of two storey side and single storey rear extension 5 Kingswood Close, Lapworth

	No objection if within permitted development rights
W11.0385	Replacement of existing conservatory with single storey extension, new roof over existing rear extension and installation of dormers to rear and side 6 Wharf Lane, Lapworth
	No objection if within permitted development rights
W11/0537	Two storey side extension, front porch and a single storey rear kitchen extension. Erection of a detached garage I Kingswood Close, Lapworth
	Comment – concern re proximity of garage to property and whether, therefore the total size of the extension exceeds permitted development rights

19.3 **Decision Notices -**

W10/1549	First floor side extension and single storey kitchen extension Tapster Manor, Yew Tree Lane, Lapworth	Granted
W11/0011	Erection of new stable building The Old Cottage, Lapworth St, Lapworth	Granted
W11/0030	Demolition of existing house and construction replacement building Fairfield, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth	Refused

20. **FINANCE**

a. **Annual Return to Clement Keys** – previously agreed in draft now signed following internal audit

b. **Payments 9<sup>th</sup> May 2011**

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	Amount
	101245	Cancelled	
	101246	Cancelled	
1675	101247	Village Hall April room hire	£24.00
2852	101248	J Cranmer – play area work and materials	£144.70
188	101249	Bob Hicks – painting play area	£350.00
244	101250	WP Stewart – VH gardening and toilet cleaning (22.4.11 to 29.4.11) and materials VAT £2.03	£86.09
108	101251	John Glover – Brome Hall Toilet maintenance VAT £8.33	£50.00
	101252	Clerk April Salary and Expenses	£469.02
	101253	Post Office ltd April Tax (less previous overpayment)	£95.90

21. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** None