

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 10th November 2008 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD,
LAPWORTH AT 7.30 PM.**

Present: Cllrs Mrs Francis (Chair) Mrs. Lester, Mrs Toogood, Lewis, Polgreen, Cox Mrs. Fox, Corney, Henderson and C.Cllr Mrs. Compton, D Cllr Caborn and the clerk.

1. APOLOGIES

None

2. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

- a. No personal interests in items on the agenda declared.
- b. No prejudicial interests in items on the agenda declared.

3. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

The meeting was well attended with too many residents to count, but approximately 70 people were present to oppose the Planning Application relating to a proposed marina at Sands Farm. Well presented objections were put forward from Mark Daykene, Joanna Walker, Tony Pledger and Chris Buckle. Mark Daykene wanted to make clear, amongst other points, that although application was using his home address he was not responsible and had had no prior knowledge of the proposal.

The objections were many, and amongst others, included opposition on the grounds that it was contrary to planning policy in the green belt given there were no special circumstances, there was no demand for such a facility, the area was already prone to flooding and the disposal of displaced soil was likely to exacerbate that, the access from Wharf Lane was inappropriate which would cause traffic problems, the size of the proposal given there was no apparent local demand for the facility, the proposal would require the removal of some trees and cause damage to roots and habitat, and hedgerows

Given the numbers of members public present it was agreed to bring forward agenda item 16.2 was brought forward and the Parish Council discussed the proposal. The Parish Council agreed unanimously to object to the proposal on the grounds below.

Councillor Henderson gave some facts in relation to the proposal but did not participate in the Parish Council's decision making.

W08/1409	Proposed inland water marina including marina facilities building and boat workshop, new road access, associated footpaths, landscaping and car parking Sands Farm, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth OBJECTION – oversized in a rural area, inappropriate development of green belt which would result in destruction of natural habitat, adverse impact on already bad flooding, development would cause increased traffic on inadequate local roads, highway access was a major concern with increased heavy traffic on rural roads including a humpbacked bridge. Already a substantial marina in Lapworth and no evidence of local demand.
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4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS :-

- a) Parish Council Meeting – 6th October 2008 - agreed subject to amendment in 11a.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Received

- a. Funding news bulletins – in circulation box

- b. Communities and Local Government: Code of Conduct for local authority members and employees. A consultation response by 24th December 2008 circulated for comments by December meeting.
7. PUBLICATIONS
Circulated
8. WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL
- a. Regional Spatial Strategy – Note re NLP Study commissioned by Government Office to assess potential for accommodating higher housing numbers in West Midlands - in circulation box for information
 - b. Governance of Community Forums – Warwick District Localities Forum Draft Terms of Reference – no further comments from Parish Council Councillors Mrs Toogood and Lester to attend the meeting on 26th February 2009
 - c. Yellow Pages may be recycled in red boxes any time of year. Councillor Caborn suggested that the Recycling Roadshow should come to the Parish (outside postoffice).
Cllr Mrs Lester and clerk to action
9. WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
- a. Proposed variation of Traffic Regulation Order – Dicks Lane
Deferred following legal advice and a proposal to take a report to a Cabinet meeting for Councillors to consider making a general policy on TRO's.
 - b. Warwick Area Committee – Members Fund £300 grant – it was agreed to request funding for a bench on the Village Green. **Cllr Mrs Francis and Clerk to action**
10. WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCIL
- a. WALC Training –
 - i. Briefing Event for all Chairmen and Aspiring Chairmen – 10am to 1pm Saturday 15th November Harbury Village Hall **Cllr Mrs Lester to attend**
 - b. Interim 2.45% pay award for local government staff- noted
 - c. Request to include link to Lapworth.info website on WALC website - agreed
11. LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL
Councillor Mrs Fox advised there were still ongoing problems with the Committee room door and a replacement was being sought. It was agreed that a contribution would be agreed when the total cost was known.
12. SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS
- a. Minutes of 2nd October meeting in circulation box
 - b. Next meeting 26th February 2009 – Lapworth Village Hall
Cllrs Mrs Toogood and Lester to attend
13. ROADS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY - General highway issues
- a. Proposed New Footway Station Lane Lapworth – C Cllr Mrs Compton advised that Network Rail had now agreed to give up the land. WCC would reinstate fencing and put some planting in (inc. existing holly). It was to be presented to the Warwick Area Committee in January. Appreciation was expressed for the work that Chris Burrows, of WCC, had put in and the clerk instructed to thank him. It was agreed to write to residents opposite after the WAC meeting in January. **Clerk to action**
 - b. Whilst some patching had taken place further problems of flooding and potholes were reported at the Stratford Road end of Bushwood Lane; Canal Cottage Chapel Lane; **Clerk to report**
 - c. Footpath at Harborough Cottages – contact Dave Ward at WDC **Clerk to action**
14. LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES
- a. Public Toilets closing date 2nd November 2008 - noted
 - b. Lapworth Oaks Village Green – it was agreed to seek two quotes to replace the broken fencing.

15. PARISH FREEDOM OF INFORMATION SCHEME
- a. Draft Scheme to be circulated for comments (for adoption by 31st December 2008) – in circulation box for comments.
16. PLANNING
- 16.1 Documents for circulation/items for discussion
- a W08/11211 To amend 11000 volt overhead line on wooden poles with a tolerance of 30m either side of the route shown – notice advising Warwick DC have no objection to proposal - noted
- 16.2 Planning applications for consideration, together with any other applications that may be received prior to date of meeting:

W08/1316	Single storey building to main house to provide living accommodation for applicants elderly parents Lapworth Croft, Church Lane, Lapworth OBJECTION – extra dwelling in green belt, overdevelopment, new first floor window shown in from elevation facing south not shown in first floor plan.
W08/1398	Erection of four stables with tack room, feed room and open store Land to North of Packwood Farm, Packwood Road, Lapworth OBJECTION – overdevelopment in Green Belt
W08/1409	Proposed inland water marina including marina facilities building and boat workshop, new road access, associated footpaths, landscaping and car parking Sands Farm, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth OBJECTION – see above
W08/1410	Traditional oak framed hardwood boarding open fronted garage building with clay tiled roof Grey Gables, Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth NO OBJECTION
W08/1452	Proposed new detached building for garage block and workshop The Kloof, Hole House Lane, Lapworth OBJECTION – overdevelopment in Green Belt, too big for size of property, question why a garage needs dormer windows in the roof.
W08/1483	Side extension to provide a games room at ground level and ensuite bathroom and dressing room to first floor Priory Farm, Rising Lane, Lapworth NO OBJECTION

16.3 Decision Notices

W08/1107	Erection of utility, covered way, new and replacement windows. Removal of garden wall South Lodge, Packwood Lane, Lapworth	Granted
W08/1200	Two storey extension to incorporate existing ground floor 25 Kingswood Close, Lapworth	Granted
W08/1215	Erection of stable and hay store Bakers Barn, Bakers Lane, Lapworth	Refused
W08/1320	Polytunnel Bear House Farm, Old Warwick Road,	Granted
W08/1324	Rear extension to first floor to create two bedrooms and a bathroom Far Croft Bungalow, Tapster Lane, Lapworth	Granted

17. FINANCE

- a. BALANCES as at 10th November 2008
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| Community Account – statement date 10.10.08 | £ 8,079.99 |
| Business Premium Account –Statement date 10.10.08 | £ 617.19 |
| Business Reserve Acct - Statement date 10.10.08 | £ 11,416.41 |
| National Savings at 8-4-08 | £ 1,502.34 |
- b. PAYMENTS authorised 10th November 2008

Invoice No	Cheque No	Payee	Amount
	101048	J Pardoe Front borders at village hall, borders in Old Warwick Road, border corner of OWR and Station Lane 8.5 hours	76.00
15710	101049	Steve's Industries Ltd – Sept 2008 VAT - £48.56	£326.06
	101050	Clerk Oct Salary and postage £65.88 1.4.08 back pay award Tesco - £6.96 calculator	£429.88
	101051	HMRC PAYE – Post Office ltd - Oct tax & NI	£119.05
	101052	Allianz Insurance	£32.40
	101053	Warwickshire Training Partnership Cllr D Lester – Chairs and Aspiring Chairs	£20.00
	101054	Cllr Mrs Francis – reimbursement for £18.96 shrub Mileage Aug, Sept & Oct	£49.48
1556	101055	Arden Gates ltd – Memorial Fencing VAT - £301.00	£2,021.00
	101056	D J Dilley cleaning Bromehall Conveniences 6 th October – 2 nd November 209	£196.00
	101057	Lapworth Village Hall Room Hire – 6 th Oct 2008	£22.00
TOTAL			£3,291.87

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No decision may be taken which involves expenditure until due notice has been given, unless the item is of extreme urgency and cannot wait until the next meeting.

It was agreed to pay the bill to Arden Gates, ascertain whether the British Legion were able to contribute prior to requesting donations from the Lapworth Charity and LPCC.

Clerk to action

Agreed to invite Rowington Parish Plan representative to December meeting and PCSO Carl to the January meeting.

Cllr Mrs Lester and clerk to action

19. DATE OF ADDITIONAL NEXT MEETING – 8th December 2008

2009 MEETING DATES - all meetings held on a Monday at 7.30pm in Lapworth Village Hall.

2009 - January 12th, February 9th, March 9th and 2009 Parish Assembly, April 20th, May 11th, June 8th, July 13th, September 14th, October 12th, November 9th, December 14th.

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