

**LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2012 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH**

**Present:** Cllr Mrs Francis (Chairman), Cllr Mrs Toogood, Cllr Mrs Lester, Cllr Lewis, Cllr Giles, Cllr Henderson, Cllr Mrs Ludlow, C Cllr Mrs Compton, D Cllr Caborn and the clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES** - Cllr Corney (Vice Chairman), Cllr Mrs Jay,
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, largely in connection to the item for discussion on Grove Lane Cricket Ground.
4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:-**
  - a) Parish Council Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> May 2012 agreed and signed as a true record
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** - none
6. **CRICKET GROUND GROVE LANE** – request to support potential development  
Representatives from the Cricket Club in Grove Lane had requested that if Parish Council supported a planning application for a residential house on the ground, and it was subsequently granted, the remainder of the cricket ground and clubhouse, excluding the development site, would be transferred to the ownership of the Parish Council. The Parish Council voted against the proposal and it was rejected.
7. **PLANNING**
  - 7.1 **Gary Stephens – Head of Development Control to discuss ‘electronic planning consultation’**

Mr Stephens explained the background and the need to move towards electronic planning consultation. The Parish Council is supportive in principle but wanted time to get ready for the transition. Mr Stephens worked through some applications, with varying degrees of success, with the Parish Council. It was resolved that Cllr Mrs Ludlow would approach the Village Hall Committee with a view to seeking support and funding contributions for an interactive whiteboard. Clerk to research the options of a ‘planning only’ laptop.
  - 7.2 **Documents for circulation/items for discussion – Marina Update**

An appeal against the District Council’s refusal had been lodged at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour and a representative was requested to attend an initial meeting held by the District to look at the process. Clerk to ask Cllr Mrs Jay if she could attend.
  - 7.3 **Planning applications for consideration,**

W12/0533AG	Erection of an agricultural building for the storage of fodder and housing cattle or sheep during winter months No objection raised
W12/0511	Replacement Garage Yew Tree Cottage, Tapster Lane, Lapworth No objection
W12/0554	Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling (revisions to previously submitted application W11/1183) Long Meadow, Packwood Lane, Lapworth No objection
W12/0602	Removal of two sections of glazing on the ‘north-west’ elevation and replace with two aluminium weather louvres Telephone Exchange, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth No objection

W12/0652	Erection of first floor extension over existing kitchen 23 Chapel Lane, Lapworth
	No objection

#### 7.4 Decision Notices -

W09/0882	Erection of existing two storey 'outbuilding' for the proposed ancillary use to the dwelling – Catesby Cottage Catesby Cottage, Catesby Lane, Lapworth	Refused
W11/1345	Replacement dwelling 179 Chapel Lane, Lapworth	Refused
W11/1626	Erection of stable and hay store (amendment to approved planning application W10/1211) Bakers Barn, Bakers Lane, Knowle	Granted

#### 8. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Invitation to CPRE AGM 15<sup>th</sup> June – Cllr Mrs Francis to attend
- b. Letter of thanks from Lapworth Jubilee Committee - noted
- c. Aylesbury House Hotel request to support name change to Aylesbury Manor and confirmation that it lies within the Lapworth Parish Boundary – Clerk to confirm that Aylesbury House Hotel does lie within Lapworth but that the Parish Council did not support change in name

#### 9. PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION in Circulation Box

#### 10. WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

- a. **Planning Committee Agenda 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2012** – in circulation box
- b. **Emergency Plan** – Cllr Corney to Chair a working party
- c. **Local Plan Briefing/Consultation** – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2012. Cllrs encouraged to attend if possible or to attend the Community Forum meeting in Lapworth on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2012 which was solely for Local Plan consultation. Lapworth had been identified as a category 1 village and earmarked for 100 new dwellings over the next 18 years. This would necessitate redefining the Green Belt area in Lapworth with some areas becoming 'white land' which could be used for the development of new properties. The Parish Council was encouraged to give suggestions of areas that could be designated as 'white land'. Cllr Mrs Francis queried whether the land that had already been designated as 'white land' had been taken in to consideration.
- d. **Revised Code of Conduct** – to be considered at the July meeting
- e. **Travel Tokens** – Cllr Caborn advised that there were sufficient funds and this was in hand.

#### 11. WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

- a. **Changes to Street Lighting in Warwickshire** – circulated
- b. **Annual Surface Dressing Programme** – circulated
- c. **Travel Token** – Cllr Mrs Compton advised that there was to be a consultation regarding the effectiveness of the travel token scheme and encouraged all to respond.
- d. **PCSO's** – PCSO Ellie Jones had moved on and PCSO Pete Green had replaced her.

#### 12. WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

- a. **May Newsletter**
- b. **Code of Conduct** Legal Briefing

#### 13. LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL

- a. Cllr Mrs Ludlow to discuss the purchase of an interactive whiteboard
- b. The shrub/flower beds had been done outside the Village Hall. It was proposed, and agreed, that some perennials were added.

#### 14. LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES

- a. **Village Green the Oaks** – There was wide ranging discussion and no conclusion regarding how best to maintain the Green at the Oaks and ensure that children playing were not at risk. The area was not a registered Village Green. Clerk was requested to further pursue what

the Council's liabilities in the event of an accident. Guidance re disclaimer notices was requested from WALC. Some Cllrs felt strongly that the Green should be fenced/railed off to stop children running in to the road.

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

- a. **Meeting dates** -Thursdays on 28<sup>th</sup> June and 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 2012
- b. **Defibrillator Funding** – Clerk to contact other Parishes with regard to recommendations for a defibrillators.

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

- a. **Low Bridge Warning Sign** Hockley Heath PC had confirmed that Solihull MBC had agreed to place a sign at the entrance to the Old Warwick Road. Clerk to contact Roger Newham of WCC to see if any progress could be made.

17. **OTHER ITEMS**

- a. **Parish Plan Progress** – Cllr Mrs Jay had submitted a report advising there were now seven people prepared to commit to become a part of the steering committee along with herself. They are .....The first meeting is to be arranged imminently, date and time to be advised, at which time roles within the steering committee will be allocated.

18. **FINANCE**

- a. Consultation on appointment of external auditors for 2012 and future years – objections by 29<sup>th</sup> June 2012

a. **Payments 11<sup>th</sup> June 2012**

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	Amount
	101330	Clerk May salary and expenses	£496.46
	101331	Post Office ltd May tax, NI, Employers NI	£113.00
1935	101332	Village Hall May room hire and quarterly grant	£324.00
	101333	LPCC Quarterly Grant	£250.00
	101334	CPRE	£29.00
	101335	Brome Hall Lane Toilet cleaning	£255.57

- 18. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** Clerk advised that the printer was leaking ink and in danger of breaking down. A budget of up to £200 was authorised for a replacement.

2012 MEETINGS **7.30 PM Monday** 9<sup>th</sup> July, 13<sup>th</sup> August provisional Planning Only, 10<sup>th</sup> September, 8<sup>th</sup> October, 12<sup>th</sup> November, 10<sup>th</sup> December 2012