

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13th July 2009 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH AT 7.30 PM.

Present: Cllr Corney (Vice Chairman) Cllr Mrs. Lester, Cllr Mrs Fox, Cllr Mrs Togood, Cllr Polgreen, Cllr Lewis, and C Cllr Compton and the clerk.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Mrs Francis (Chairman), Cllr Henderson, D Cllr Caborn

2. 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

No members of the Public Present.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS :-

- a) Parish Council Meeting – 8th June 2009 - agreed and signed as accurate record.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)

- a. Bin Brome Hall Car Park – has been installed by District Council near toilet block
- b. Grass Cutting – Corner of Station Lane/OWR – to be included in District Council contract.
- c. Allotments – delay pending legal technicalities response expected soon.
- d. Station Lane Footpath – delay pending legal technicalities.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. **BBC Programme** – Village SOS details circulated
- b. **The Lapworth Charity** – request to consider reappointment of Mr D Goldsmith as Trustee. Unanimously approved. **Clerk to write**
- c. **The Lapworth Charity** - £500 cheque contribution towards War Memorial railings. **Clerk to thank**

7. PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION in Circulation Box

- a. **LCR** – summer edition
- b. **One World Link** – June Newsletter

8. WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

- a. **Standards Committee Agenda** – 15th June 2009 - in circulation box. Councillor Polgreen gave a brief overview of the work of the Committee.
- b. **Council Agenda** – 16th, 29th June & 8th July 2009 – in circulation box
- c. **Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee** – 29th June 2009 – in circulation box
- e. **Head of Planning retirement** – John Archer retiring end of June 2009. Good wishes extended to Mr Archer for his retirement.
- d. **Rural Footway Lighting** – cessation of night-time inspection, request that faults be reported. Agreed to find out whether there was any in Lapworth Parish and if so include in Parish Magazine. **Clerk to Action**
- f. **Battery recycling facilities** – noted. Include details in Parish Magazine. **Clerk to Action**
- g. **Core Strategy – Preferred Options** – consultation document in circulation box to be discussed at September meeting.
- i. **Annual Planning Seminar Notes** – in circulation box. The potential move to electronic planning consultation and the option of buying a projector was discussed. Agreed to find out what was likely to be involved, with a view to seeing if someone would be interested in supporting the Parish Council with its technological advances – this could be done via the Parish Magazine. **Clerk to Action**

- h. **Concurrent Services Review** – request from the District Council for details of expenditure over the last 3 years on eligible services and others that could be considered. **Clerk to Action**
- j. **Local List of Historic Buildings** – Parish Council asked to comment on the merits of a draft list of buildings that have identified as of architectural or historical merit, that do not benefit from statutory listing or conservation area status. Agreed to send list to local Historic Society. **Clerk to Action**
9. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
- a. **C Councillor Mrs Compton** elected as Vice Chairman of Warwickshire County Council and Chair of the Warwick Area Committee. Congratulations were extended to C Cllr Mrs Compton, who advised that she had recently had a site visit at Lapworth School with John Harmer (WCC) and the Head teacher and was optimistic that plans for better facilities would now start to progress.
- b. **Consultation proposal** to change Henley in Arden Primary School from Community School to a Church of England Voluntary Aided School – no comment.
- c. **Mobile Library Service** – leaflet to be displayed, link to Lapworth.info and forward to Parish Magazine. **Clerk to Action**
10. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCIL**
- a. **WALC Newsletter** – June/July 2009 – in circulation box
- b. **Guide to Partnership Working in Warwickshire** – in circulation box
- c. **Warwickshire Place Survey and Local Residents Priorities Survey outcome** – Priorities for the Warwick Rural Area, in order of priority, are Activities for Teenagers, Public Transport, Road and Pavement Repairs, The Level of Traffic Congestion and Affordable Decent Housing. For Warwickshire as a whole the top five priorities also included the Level of Crime and Clean Streets, but public transport and affordable housing was not rated so highly.
11. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**
- a. The Village Hall Committee has framed and hung a map of the Parish. A £19 payment was agreed towards the costs.
- b. Concern re litter and the state of some of the play equipment was raised. Agreed to contact Youth Club to see if they would be interested in painting the play equipment and/or litter collection. **Clerk to Action**
12. **LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES**
13. **WARWICK DISTRICT RURAL WEST COMMUNITY FORUM**
- a. Minutes of 23rd April 2009- in circulation box
- b. Next meeting 23rd July at Lawsonford Councillor Mrs Lester to attend
14. **ROADS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY - General highway issues**
- a. **Grass Cutting next to Canalside**, Old Warwick Road – agreed to see if Fairways would include in schedule instead of the grass by the noticeboard on Old Warwick Road. **Clerk to Action**
- b. **Overhanging Hedge** – Scout Hut entrance. Councillor Corney to discuss with the Lapworth Charity. **Cllr Corney to Action**
- c. **Overhanging Hedge** – between Pinners Cottage to the Cricket Field. Agreed to write to responsible resident. **Clerk to Action**
15. **OTHER ITEMS**
- a. **Parish Plan Update** – Councillor Polgreen advised that funding options were still being pursued and the Parish Plan Group would reconvene in September but that the Housing Needs Survey should progress independently.
- b. **Housing Needs Survey** – to be progressed. **Clerk to Action**
- c. August Planning Date Monday 10th August 2009- agreed **Clerk to book**
- d. Warwickshire Climate Page intranet Link available -would Councillors like access? – link to website on Lapworth.info. **Cllr Polgreen to Action**
16. **PLANNING**

- 16.1 Documents for circulation/items for discussion
- a. W09/0372 Application withdrawn - Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a replacement dwelling - Chestnut Cottage, Lapworth Street, Lapworth
- b. W09/0079 Application invalid – Erection of a replacement dwelling with detached garage after demolition of lodge. The Lodge, Rye House, Catesby Lane, Lapworth
- 16.2 Planning applications for consideration, together with any other applications that may be received prior to date of meeting:

W09/0470	Addition of three two storey extensions to rear of property and addition of 2 storey gable to front of property, demolition and removal of existing utility, 2 x W.C.s and lobby area. Addition of 2 car garage block to the front of the property, addition of two dormer windows to upper front elevation of existing garage block. Front Meadow, Church Lane, Lapworth, Solihull
	NO OBJECTION
W09/0585	Erection of replacement dwelling with basement leisure facilities and sunken terrace and detached garage (previously invalid) 52 Chapel Lane, Lapworth
	OBJECTION – it is considered that the proposed development would radically alter the scale and character of the original dwelling likely to detrimentally affect the character of the rural locality; not in keeping with Section RAP3 re replacement dwellings; design not appropriate to rural road; not in keeping with local properties. No objection to underground garage subject to safe and considerate removal of excavated earth
W09/0589 LB	Installation of two replacement windows Little Rising, Rising Lane, Lapworth
	NO OBJECTION
W09/0676	Construction of a stone yard area adjacent to farm buildings for storage Uplands Farm, Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth
	COMMENTS – concern is expressed regarding effluent run off into ponds and waterways
W09/0718	New external brick skin and rear dormer Meadow Hill Farm, Lapworth Street, Bushwood, Lowsonford - INVALID
W09/0721	Re-build a guest accommodation building and 3 car garage building , and apply under permitted development to build a swimming pool room, 2/3 oak shire storage building and a pump/equipment The Lightwoods, Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth - INVALID
W09/0733 W09/0735 LB	Kitchen refurbishment to main building, brick one exterior kitchen door and replace with brick and window. Remove decorative oak beams and decorative side brick walls. Change of use of garage to summer house. Demolish and rebuild using authentic material wit wooden glass doors and velux roof light. Old Barn, Sands Farm, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth - INVALID
W09/0745	Erection of stabling and hay store Bakers Barn, Bakers Lane, Knowle
	OBJECTION – Green Belt; no special circumstances or reason to depart from development plan; if permission granted could cause pressure for future conversion of the building to new use eroding the character of the rural area
W09/0770	Erection of thatched gazebo The Haven, 103 Chapel Lane, Lapworth
	NO OBJECTION
W09/0774	Erection of 4 no 6.7 meter high lighting columns to floodlight existing tennis court The Haven, Chapel Lane, Lapworth
	OBJECTION – Light pollution in rural area; overdevelopment of site; contrary to energy conservation
W09/0787	Extension and internal alteration to form new kitchen and dayroom with internal alterations to create new study and snug with a new bedroom and new family bathroom to first floor Pear Tree Cottage, Valley Lane, Lapworth
	NO OBJECTION
W09/0802LB	Proposed extension to dwelling Foremans Cottage, Brome Hall Lane, Lapworth
	NO OBJECTION

W09/0803	Proposed extension to dwelling Foremans Cottage, Brome Hall Lane, Lapworth
	NO OBJECTION
W09/0815	Construction of new canal moorings and associated access Land at Bakers Lane, Knowle
	OBJECTION – Concern re access via Bakers Lane which is inappropriate
W09/0842	Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling Chestnut Cottage, Lapworth Street, Lapworth
	OBJECTION – Contrary to RAP3
W09/0819	Put door in bay window to access to patio Broad Oaks House, Chassetts Wood Road, Lapworth
	NO OBJECTION

16.3 Decision Notices

W09/0182	Reclaimed Brick cladding to front elevation and erection of two storey side extension The Cottage, Lapworth Street, Lapworth	Granted
W09/0382	Change of use highways verge to pre-school garden and erection of 2 canopies to front and rear facades of pre-school building Lapworth Pre-School, Station Lane, Lapworth	Granted
W09/0448	Erection of two storey side extension 1 Canalside, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth	Granted
W09/0403	Construction of a ménage The Pound House, Lapworth St, Lapworth	Granted

17. FINANCE

a. Balances as at 13th July 2009

Account	Date	Amount
Community Account	10.7.2009	£14,185.42
Business Premium Account	1.5.2009	£618.01
Business reserve Account	1.5.2009	£11,451.98
National Savings	24.3.2009	£1,548.05

b. Payments 13th July 2009

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	Amount
4728	101106	West Business Consultant – internal audit	£300.00
03-10-5370 LPC	101107	Fairways June and July invoices VAT £75	£575.00
	101108	Clerk June Salary and Expenses	£386.04
	101109	HMRC PAYE – Post Office ltd June tax & NI	£90.60
	101110	Cllr M Francis – mileage to clerk's house	
	101111	W Cox and Sons – gate to Village Hall play area VAT £13.50	£103.50
	101112	W Poulson 29 th May 3 rd July – Brome Hall Toilets	£250.00
1136	101113	Village Hall Hire 1 st and 8 th June 2009	£44.00
	101114	R Middleton – contribution to map framing	£19.00

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.

Councillor Mrs Fox had previously advised the Chairman and the Vice Chairman of her intention to step down from the Parish Council. Her increasing involvement in the Village Hall Committee

and other commitments meant that she did not have sufficient time to devote to the Parish Council. Councillor Mrs Fox was thanked for her time in office and the welcome contributions she had made to the work of the Parish Council.

The resultant vacancy to be advertised.

Clerk to Action

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