

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13th September 2010 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH AT 7.30 PM.

Present: Cllr Mrs Francis (Chairman), Cllr Corney (Vice Chairman), Cllr Cox, Cllr Polgreen, Cllr Mrs Togood, Cllr Lewis, Cllr Henderson, Cllr Giles, C Cllr Compton, and the clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES** Cllr Mrs. Lester, D Cllr Caborn
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
 - a. Update to the register of interests – Cllr Henderson advised that he needed to update his register of interests
 - b. Personal interests in items on the agenda declared – Cllr Henderson declared a personal interest in item 16.1a Sands Farm Marina and refrained from taking part in the discussion.
 - c. No prejudicial interests in items on the agenda declared.
3. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM –**

Mr James Brookes had two queries

 - 1 whether the fencing on Old Warwick Road/Station Lane could be repaired as it had been broken for at least 12 months – Clerk to contact Monica Brown, WDC, to see whose responsibility it is.
 - 2 could the trees by the end house on the Old Warwick Road towards the Hairdressers be trimmed back – Clerk to contact Peter Hallam/Ken Simmons.

Mark Dakeyne, Amanda Tullah, Chris Buckle and Tony Pledger were present on behalf of the Sands Farm Marina Opposition Group. Two cases were presented. Item 16.1a was brought forward.

 - 1 the District Council is currently waiting for the developer to evidence the need for extra canal berths and has given no indication of a time limit for evidence to be provided. Tony Pledger presented a range of evidence from various sources evidencing that there was no need for extra canal berths as currently supply outstrips demand both nationally and locally. The Parish Council was requested to contact the District Council to support the opposition group in its view that the applicant had had long enough and it was time a decision. The Parish Council supported this and agreed that residents needed a decision in order to move on.
 2. the County Council's Highways Department had advised that it had 'no objection' to the proposed Marina access. Given the high level of objections and concerns expressed regarding safety the opposition group had arranged a site meeting in order to understand the decision rationale and to advise of concerns. No member of the Parish Council was able to attend the meeting (4th October 10am) but undertook to write to both the District and County Council to echo concerns regarding the access previously expressed.
4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING :-**

Parish Council Meeting – 12th July 2010 – agreed and signed as a true record
Planning Meeting - 9th August 2010 – agreed and signed as a true record
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - none**
6. **CORRESPONDENCE - circulated**
 - a. **Alzheimer's Society** - fund raising walk 2nd October 2010 Charlecote Park
 - b. **Hidden Britain** – opportunity to access help to create community owned and run sustainable tourism projects
 - c. **Arts on Our Doorstep** – LEADER funded scheme
7. **PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION in Circulation Box**
 - a. **No Need for Nuclear** – newsletter
 - b. **Western Express** - August

8. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**
- a. **Transfer of Vicarage Road Allotments** – Cllr Corney to contact solicitors with a view to seeking advice regarding the lease
 - b. **Leadership Model Consultation** – clerk requested to advise that status quo was preferred
 - c. **Sports Awards 2010** – opportunity to nominate local sporting hero - circulated
 - d. **Council Agenda 8th September 2010** – in circulation box
 - e. **Areas of Responsibility Contract Services** – Monica Brown is the Assistant Area Engineer and Martyn Stacey the Area Contract Officer for Lapworth details were circulated
9. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
- a. **Footpath Station Lane** – C Cllr Mrs Compton advised that, sadly, after long legal delays, due to the current budget cuts the Station Lane footpath was shelved until further funding could be secured. There was a deficit in funding of £25,000. Cllr Mrs Compton was arranging to go ahead with the legalities with Network Rail in the hope that further funding could be secured to carry out the works at a later date.
 - b. **Fire Service Response re Tapster Lane incident** – There was still concern regarding the Fire Services potential response times to rural properties. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr Ollernshaw to request clarification as to the exact process and script followed when reporting an incident to ensure that Parish Councillors were able to give correct advice.
 - c. **Concessionary Travel Consultation** – The County Council were to administer this with effect from 1st April 2010. It was likely that the start time would move from 9.00am to 9.30am.
 - d. **Chiltern Rail Consultation** – feedback had been given that the Parish Council opposed any cuts in service that would affect school children or people going to and from work. It was felt that the consultation had been meaningless.
 - e. **Public Footpath Diversion Order – SD348 and SD 354 Tanworth in Arden** - noted
 - f. **Dicks Lane** – confirmation of decision to permit existing usage of landowners - noted
 - g. **Warwick Library** – C Cllr Mrs Compton advised that electronic librarians were being installed in Leamington libraries and that the service was currently underutilised.
10. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCIL**
- a. **WALC (Warwick Area) Committee** – constitution, minutes of 19th July 2010. Next meeting 27th September 2010 at Barford - circulated
 - b. **Capping Parish Council Precepts consultation** - circulated
 - c. **WALC July Newsletter** - in circulation box
 - d. **Responding to Planning Applications** – seminar Saturday 2nd October Dunchurch
 - e. **WALC AGM 7.30pm 27th October 2010 Shire Hall** - circulated
 - f. **WALC Terms of reference, 2010-11 Work Plan and 2009-10 Annual report** – in circulation box
 - g. **NALC Booklet – Being a Good Employer** – in circulation box
 - h. **NALC Seminars** – details in circulation box
11. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**
- a. **Border Maintenance** – Cllr Mrs Francis to contact W Stewart to arrange a tidy up
 - b. **Play Area Fence Maintenance** – Cllr Cox to look at loose posts
12. **LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES**
13. **WARWICK DISTRICT RURAL WEST COMMUNITY FORUM**
- a. **Next meeting 28th October Shire Hall** - noted
 - b. **Locality Working Review** - comments by end of September - circulated
 - c. **Projector Funding (£797.44) and future use** – Cllr Polgreen to liaise with the VH Committee.
 - d. **Action Points from July Meeting** - circulated
14. **ROADS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY** - General highway issues
- a. **Meadow Lane Footpath** – clerk to contact Peter Hallam re large pothole

b. **Temporary Road Closure Chapel Lane** – overnight 26th/27th September

15. **OTHER ITEMS**

- a. **Memorial Bench** – deferred
- b. **WRCC Affordable Housing** letter advising of another site for potential affordable housing scheme – Phil Ward, Rural Housing Enabler, to attend the next meeting
- c. **Noticeboards** - deferred

16. **PLANNING**

16.1 Documents for circulation/items for discussion

- a. **Sands Farm Marina** – support requested from Marina Opposition Group for to challenge to WCC Highways ‘no objection’ – previously considered

16.2 **Planning applications for consideration,**

W10/1033	Change of use of land to form part of residential curtilage. Construction of new vehicular access and erection of brick boundary wall and gates (retrospective) Yew Tree Cottage, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth OBJECTION to change of use of land as erosion of green belt NO OBJECTION to construction of access and wall
W10/1123	Single storey rear extension to form extended kitchen and family room, partial conversion of garage to form utility room and new canopy roof to front elevation Braeside, 120 Station Lane, Lapworth NO OBJECTION
W10/1136	Erection of single story front and rear extensions and addition of side facing dormer window Homelea, 2 Wharf Lane, Lapworth NO OBJECTION

16.3 **Decision Notices** -

W10/0781	Replacement of barge boards to gables and dormer windows Packwood Hall, Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth	Granted
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17. **FINANCE**

a. **Payments 13th September 2010**

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	Amount
	101197	Clerk Aug salary and expenses	£446.24
	101198	Post Office ltd Aug tax, NI, Employers NI	£114.50
1521	101199	Village Hall room hire 9 th August 2010	£22.00
	101200	Fairways fifth of seven instalments VAT £87.50	£587.50
192	101201	WP Stewart Toilet Cleaning plus materials 30 th July – 27 th August 2010	£214.89
2001	101202	R Clifton August and Sept Retaining Fee	£100.00

b. **Annual Return 2009/2010** – Unqualified audit given by Clement Keys

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

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