

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
14th January 2008 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD,
LAPWORTH AT 7.30PM

Present: Chairman Cllr Mrs Francis, Cllr Corney, Cllr Mrs Fox, Cllr Mrs Lester, Cllr Henderson, Cllr Lewis, Cllr Cox, Cllr Polgreen, C. Cllr Mrs Compton.

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllr Mrs Toogood and D Cllr Caborn

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No interests were declared relating to matters included on the agenda.

3. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

3.a Residents present raised concerns in relation to the request by the Trial Riders Fellowship to vary the Traffic Regulation Order on E5052 (Dicks Lane) to allow its use for motorbike riding. Particular concern was expressed as the route is frequently used as a bridleway. The Parish Council was aware of this request and had sought more information from the County Council who advised that full consultation would be taking place. Further concern was expressed in relation to the existing hedgerows and it was proposed that advice should be sought from the CPRE.

3.b A resident from Chapel Lane expressed concern about the application for change of use of the The Chapel, 101 Chapel Lane. In particular the impact of hazardous parking in the vicinity and the access for neighbouring properties.

3.c A resident of Station Lane expressed concern regarding the lack of footpath on the sharp bend in Station Lane which was hazardous for those walking children to school. Cllr Mrs Compton advised that this had already been raised and was an item for discussion at the Warwick Area Committee on 22.1.2008.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meetings of 19th November 2007 and the Planning Meeting of 10th December 2007, having been circulated, were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman.

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Received

a. WCC regarding proposed footway in Station Lane. Discussed under 3.c above.

7. **PUBLICATIONS**- circulation box.

8. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**

8.1 Documents circulated for information.

8.2a Open Space Audit – Councillor Mrs Francis has completed and returned the audit to the District Council. Not including private pools and tennis courts.

8.2b Core Strategy Questionnaire – copies were circulated to all Councillors. A representative from the WDC Planning Department hoped to attend the Parish Council March Meeting.

Clerk to Action

9. WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

- 9.1 No documents for circulation
- 9.2 Farming and the Public Highway – concern was expressed regarding the usefulness of the booklet previously distributed. Councillor Mrs Compton advised that if we have a problem enforcing it to contact WCC on 01926 412515, or countyhighways@warwickshire.gov.uk.

10. ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

- 10.1 Documents for circulation in box
- 10.2 Details of training opportunities were provided

11. LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL

- a. Disposal of Cigarette Ends. It was agreed to buy a bin that could be fixed to the wall. **Clerk to Action**
- b. Flowerbed upkeep – it was agreed to seek a gardener for upkeep fo the flowerbed outside the Village Hall. **Councillor Corney to action**
- c. Noticeboards – a quote for £400 had been received from John Cranmer for replacement of both noticeboards it was agreed to accept this. **Councillor Mrs Francis to action**

12. SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS

- a. The meeting date for Safer Neighbourhoods had been moved fro 17th January to 24th January 2008. It was noted the speed of vehicles was always high on the agenda of the group. Councillor Corney to attend.

13. ROADS AND PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY

- a. Oaks Overgrown Border – it was agreed to get maintenance for the upkeep of the border (to be included with the Village Hall flowerbeds) **Councillor Corney to action**
- b. Oaks Shrubbery – it was agreed that is should remain as a grassed area and be included in the grass cutting contract. **Clerk to Action**
- b. E5052 – Dicks Lane – request for use by Trial Riders Association – discussed under 3a above. Parish Council to await formal consultation.
- c. Crossing Warning Signs at Harborough Cottages – Councillor Mrs Compton to pursue with County Council.
- d. Safer Visibility for Harborough Cottages – the trees obscuring visibility of the canal bridge had been cut back.

14. LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES

- a. Canal Picnic Site – The Parish Council recognised that the Picnic area belonged to British Waterways but agreed that it was in the Parish’s best interests to carry on maintaining it. It was agreed to request that the District Council replace the rusting barbeques. **Clerk to progress**

15. PLANNING

- a. Planning applications received – the following applications were received and considered. Councillor Henderson declared an interest in relation to W08/001 The Old Chapel (not previously circulated) and withdrew from the discussion.

W07/1969	Erection of covered tractor and implement storage area Land adjoining Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth Additional information regarding previously considered application No objection
W07/2023	Demolition of existing dwellings to be replaced with a new dwelling and the erection of two detached garages Land at Willow House, Cheswood , Chassetts Wood Road, Lapworth

	No objection
W07/2081 LB	Proposed door/window alterations aswell as removal of false ceiling to expose rafters. Installation of conservation rooflight and minor addition/alterations to partition walls Packwood Hall, Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth No objection
W07/2083	Conversion of former coach house to living accommodation for manager of stables Arden Hill, Lapworth Street, Lapworth No objection on the proviso restriction was placed on the use of the property in line the planning application, i.e. for use by manager of stables
W08/001	Change of use from workshop to office B1 continuation of establishment use. The Chapel, 101 Chapel Lane, Lapworth Objection on the grounds of hazardous parking, restriction of access to neighbouring properties, concern also expressed in relation to the potential for the number people working there.

c. Decision Notices

W07/1720	9 Priory Close, Lapworth Erection of two storey side extension	Granted
W07/1828	The Mill House, Mill Lane, Lapworth Extended ensuite over canopy	Granted
W07/1829 LB	The Mill House, Mill Lane, Lapworth Erection of first floor extension to ensuite over canopy entrance at side	Granted
W07/1853	Sands Farm, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth Demolish existing unsafe garage structure and replace with new detached garage	Granted
W07/1929 AG	Erection of grain shed with front access and tractor shed lean to Uplands Farm, Chassetts Wood Road, Lapworth	No obj. raised
W07/1867	Erection of a single storey side extension Fetherstone Cottage, Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth	Granted
W07/1490	Erection of a first floor rear extension 2 Kingswood Cottages, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth	Granted
W07/1491 LB	Erection of first floor extension and internal alterations 2 Kingswood Cottages, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth	Granted

16. FINANCE

a. Meeting arranged to discuss precept 21.1.08 Cllr Mrs Francis, Cllrs
Corney, Henderson, Polgreen and Clerk to attend

BALANCES as at 14th January 2008

Community Account – statement date 12-12-07	£	9,606.02
Business Premium Account – Statement date 7-12-07	£	611.96
Business Reserve Acct - Statement date 7-12-07	£	11,216.99
National Savings	£	1,447.68

PAYMENTS TO BE AUTHORISED 14TH January 2008

Inv. No	Cheq. No	Payee	Amount
	100978 (10.12.07)	Lapworth Village Hall Refurbishment Grant	1,300.00
0849	100979 (10.12.07)	Lapworth Village Hall Room Hire 19.11.07	23.00
47623	100980 (10.12.07)	Excelsior Grit Bin Mill Lane	94.00
13350	100981 (10.12.07)	Steve's Industries – Tree/shrub reduction Old Warwick road	235.00
	1009782 (10.12.07)	Society of Local Council Clerks subscription	91.00
	100983	Information Commissioner - Annual Registration	35.00
0813013 40	100984	Warwick District Council election costs 3.5.07	200.00

	100985	Lapworth Village Hall - December grant	300.00
	100986	Lapworth Parochial Church Council December grant	250.00
	100987	Clerk December salary & expenses	470.79
Total			2,998.79

17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

17.a Speed Limit Review Consultation – proposal to reduce speed limit on Section E of Old Warwick Road Lapworth from 60mph to 50mph. Feedback required by 11th February 2008 so agreed to have as an agenda item on 4th February. **Clerk to action**

17.b Footpath adjacent to Scout Hut – agreed to advise WCC still overgrown.

17.c Reference was made to potential building works having been carried out at the rear of Far Croft, the apparent use of a cattle shed as builders storage/yard and that despite an order several years ago the surface of Tapster Lane had not been reinstated. It was suggested that further details regarding them should be obtained from the District Planning Officer.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 4th February 2008

Meeting closed at 10.45pm
EP 16.1.08

Signed

Dated