

## LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2011 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH

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

1. **APOLOGIES** Cllr Cox, D Cllr Caborn
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
  - a. Update to the register of interests – no update declared
  - b. Personal interests in items on the agenda declared – none
  - c. No prejudicial interests in items on the agenda declared.
3. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM** – Mr Wiseman was in attendance to raise his concerns regarding the closure of Chessetts Wood Road from 9am to 1.30pm on the day of the Dorrige Fun Run. Mr Wiseman had caring responsibilities for a relative that lived elsewhere in the village and necessitated him being able to attend at short notice. On trying to do so in a previous year he had been abused by participants. Mr Wiseman would like the organisers to ensure that residents could have access and egress to their properties or alternatively the Fun Run could be rerouted out of Warwickshire. Clerk to write to express the Parish Councils concerns.
4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:-**
  - a) Parish Council Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> February 2011 agreed and signed as a true record
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** – the Clerk advised that she had received a letter expressing concern regarding the Parish Council's views that children should not play ball games on the Village Green. The concerns were noted but the view was that it was still a dangerous area for ball games.
6. **CORRESPONDENCE**
  - a. **Details of census co-ordinator** - noted
  - b. **Housing Needs Survey** – request for update from Rural Housing Enabler – noted and details passed to Lapworth Charity
  - c. **Lapworth Charity** –request to consider re-appointment of Mr Ian Knowles and Mrs Claire Robinson as Lapworth Charity Trustees. Formally agree. Clerk to write and confirm.
7. **PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION** in Circulation Box
  - a. **Western Express**
  - b. **Clerks and Council's Direct**
8. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**
  - a. **Council Agenda 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2011** in circulation box
  - b. **Allotments** – Signing of the contract was proposed by Cllr Lewis, seconded by Cllr Polgreen and unanimously agreed. Cllrs Mrs Francis and Corney signed on behalf of the Parish Council.
  - c. **Parish and Town Council Elections** – clerk to forward details of those who wished to be sent nomination packs.
  - d. **Council Agenda 9<sup>th</sup> March 2011** in circulation box
9. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
  - a. **Invitation to Chairman's 'At Home'** Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March 6.30 pm to 8.30pm
  - b. **Highways Defect Reporting Advert** – circulated
  - c. **Bus Service Reduction** – The County Council had written with the proposal that the service to Lapworth (currently Mon to Sat Flexibuses to Leamington and Solihull) be reduced to twice weekly flexibuses to Leamington, Stratford and Solihull. These proposals were still subject to operator negotiations and tendering exercises.
  - d. **Station Lane Footway** – Cllr Mrs Compton reported that at long last work had started and a lease signed with Network Rail – a copy of which was provided to

the clerk to keep in file. Cllr Mrs Compton was thanked for her perseverance in this matter.

- e. **Speedaware Changes** – details were circulated.

10. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**

- a. **Parish/Town Council Election Details** - circulated

11. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**

- a. **Police Office** - a letter had been received advising that due to budgetary constraints within the Police Service they would be ceasing to operate from both Hatton and Lapworth Police Posts. The majority of Councillors were strongly opposed to this as locally raised public funds and been used to set up the Police Post and the Police Service made no contribution to the premises and running costs at Lapworth. It was felt that more use could now be made out of this office given that Hatton was no longer to be used.
- b. **Boundary Hedge** –this had now been cut back

12. **LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES**

- a. **Play Equipment** – Community Payback team - in light of the costs and beaurocracy the clerk was asked to advise the Payback team they would not be used. Bob Hicks to be contacted regarding the work.
- b. **Bromehall Toilets** – Mr Stewart was to carry on with the cleaning but it had not been possible to contact Mr Clifton. It was agreed to try a find a different local plumber.

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

- a. **Next meeting 26<sup>th</sup> May 2011 Bishops Tachbrook**

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

- a. **Kerbs** - Old Warwick Road/Station Lane – The finance was in place from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011 subject to Warwick Area Committee approval.
- b. **Grit Bins** – 16 now installed in the Parish.

15. **OTHER ITEMS**

- a. **Memorial Bench** – had been delivered but now awaiting installation
- b. **War Memorial** – request to add a name to St Mary’s War Memorial – Private Hessegar, son of Fanny Louise Jeffs of Lapworth. Killed 4-3-1943 in Tunisia - clerk to forward details to Cllr Lester who would liaise with Sgt Fowler.

16. **PLANNING**

16.1 Documents for circulation/items for discussion - none

16.2 **Planning applications for consideration**

W11/0011	Erection of new stable building The Old Cottage, Lapworth St, Lapworth
	No objection
W11/0030	Demolition of existing house and construction of replacement dwelling Fairfield, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth
	OBJECTION Contrary to RAP 3 building does not appear structurally unsafe and is not of poor architectural design. It does add to the rural scene being Edwardian and matching opposite properties
W11/0224	Removal of Condition 3 (occupation of the dwelling shall be limited to a person solely or mainly employed, or last employed, in the locality in agriculare or forestry) of planning permission W79/0903
	OBJECTION - The condition should not be removed as the property was built to farm and support the adjacent land and may be required to do so in the future if and when the land changes ownership

16.3 **Decision Notices** -

W10/1211	Erection of stable and hay store (amendment to roof pitch to 35 degrees) Bakers Barn, Bakers Lane, Knowle	Granted
W10/1219	Erection of two bay timber stable block	Granted

	Land adjacent to Bushwood Lane, Lapworth	
W10/1267	Erection of replacement dwelling The Rising, Rising Lane, Lapworth	Granted
W10/1268	Erection of single storey side and rear extension Swingletree, Irelands Farm, Irelands Lane, Lapworth	Granted
W10/1321	Proposed single storey corridor link between main house and detached swimming pool, changing rooms and sun lounge building The Pound House, Lapworth Street, Lapworth	Granted
W10/1374	Installation of bay windows and porch canopy to front of property. Erection of two single storey rear extensions. Installation of glass Juliet-type balcony to rear. Tuckenhay, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth,	Granted
W10/1430	Application for the removal of condition 3 (PD rights) of planning permission 5663/3 for proposed replacement dwelling 150 Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth	Refused
W10/1546 And 1547 LB	Erection of a two storey and a single storey extension to existing dwelling (as approved W09/0802 LB) plus addition of french doors and balcony to first floor master bedroom Foremans Cottage, Brome Hall Lane, Lapworth	Granted
W10/1605	Erection of three storey extension to provide 40 bedrooms and a replacement function room The Oak, Stratford Road	Refused

17. **FINANCE**

a. **Payments 14<sup>th</sup> March 2011**

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	Amount
	101232	Clerk Feb salary and expenses	£426.26
	101233	Post Office ltd Feb tax, NI, Employers NI	£114.50
	101234	Village Hall Feb room hire	£22.00
	101234	Village Hall Quarterly Grant	£300.00
	101235	LPCC Quarterly Grant	£250.00
	101236	Wicksteed Paint VAT £23.92	£143.54
	101237	D Lester Mileage to Forum Meeting	£8.00

18. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** None

Meeting ended at 10.25