

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 15th April 2013 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH

Present: Cllr Mrs Francis (Chairman), Cllr Corney (Vice Chairman), Cllr Mrs Toogood Cllr Giles , Cllr Mrs Lester, Cllr Mrs Ludlow, C Cllr Mrs Compton, and the clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES** - Cllr Child, Cllr Mrs Jay, Cllr Henderson, D Cllr Caborn
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
 - a. Register of Interests: No updates declared.
 - 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 – Cllr Mrs Ludlow declared an interest in W13/0322 and left the room during discussion
3. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM**

The meeting was well attended by members of the public but only Peter Frampton, of Framptons, spoke in relation to the planning application W12/0227.
4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:-**

Parish Council Meeting – 11th March 2013 – Agreed and signed as a true record.
5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)
6. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - a. **CPRE Magazine**
7. **PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION** in Circulation Box – none to date
8. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**
 - a. **Rural Footway Lighting** – request from District Council to reconsider decision not to make a contribution to replace concrete columns. The Parish Council confirmed its decision not to make a contribution to the replacement concrete columns. Clerk requested to write to the District Council to advise that no allowance had been made in the budget for this expenditure and that it believed that some Parishes had been advised that it was not necessary to make a contribution.
 - b. **Warwick District Local Plan** – 3 letters of concern received from local residents. The District Council proposals for development in Lapworth are to be considered by the District Council Executive Committee, on 4th June 2013, after which there would be an opportunity to for all interested parties to register their views with the District Council. Cllr Mrs Lester advised that the post office was for sale and if a buyer was not found could jeopardise the future of the post office. It was queried whether this would alter Lapworth's 'category 1' banding. The clerk was requested to write to the Head of Development Services to formally challenge the category 1 status as it was believed that the other villages in that category had far more facilities.
 - c. **Electoral Review of Warwick** – final recommendations to be put to parliament - noted
9. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
10. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS** – all in circulation box
 - a. **Proposal for referendum for precept increases in excess of 2%** - PC's encouraged to write and object. Clerk requested to write and object to the proposed increase.
 - b. **Newsletter** – previously forwarded
11. **WARWICK DISTRICT RURAL WEST COMMUNITY FORUM**
 - a. **Next Meetings – 27th June** Cllr Mrs Toogood to attend, **26th September, 23rd January 2014**

12. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**
 - a. **Defibrillator** – responsibility for maintenance and electricity charges. Cllrs Mrs Francis and Ludlow to meet with representatives of the VH Committee.
 - b. **Storage Container** – draft lease attached for comments. Cllr Corney to review.

13. **LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES**
 - a. **Bromehall Lane Toilets** – now open for the season – current arrangements appear to be working well
 - b. **The Oaks Village Green** – no further incidence reported, the PCSO had visited all Oaks residents and was regularly patrolling the area. It was proposed to contact the school explore the option of using the school playing fields as a recreation area. Clerk was requested to write to Chair of Governors and the Headteacher.

14. **ROADS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY** - General highway issues
A number of issues were raised with C Cllr Mrs Compton who undertook to follow them up.

15. **OTHER ITEMS**
 - a. **Dorridge Fun Run** – Clerk to respond to WCC advising of the road closures that caused disruption and inconvenience to local residents. Cllr Mrs Toogood to put forward an alternative proposal.
 - b. **Parish Plan Update** – A Parish Plan update had been forwarded advising the over 800 surveys had been sent to every home and business in Lapworth. It is hoped to have some feedback from the survey by early June.
 - c. **Neighbourhood Planning** – Confirmed that the Parish Council wishes to register an interest in undertaking Neighbourhood Plan, but not to bid for funds at this time. It was suggested that a representative from Bishop Tachbrook PC, who were currently embarking on the process could be invited to address the PC.
 - d. **Parking** – Station Lane/Old Warwick Road/Willpower Garage Cllrs to give suggestions. Clerk to write to Chris Fossey advising that parked cars are causing problems. Asking whether consideration would be given to granting planning permission for driveways to be put if houses opposite Willpower garage applied. Also suggest a site visit with Cllr Ross and another Cllr
 - e. **Parish Council Communications** – Clerk to forward copy of Parish Magazine article to Cllr Ross

16. **PLANNING**
 - a. Documents for circulation/items for discussion –
 - (i) W12/1080 Lilac Cottage, Old Warwick Road appeal to Planning Inspectorate refused - noted
 - (ii) Catesby Cottage, Catesby Lane appeal to planning inspectorate against WDC refusal for Application for Certificate of Lawfulness of proposed use or development for use of an existing building within the grounds of Catesby Cottage, currently used as a dwelling (without planning permission), for use as ancillary residential use to Catesby Cottage. It would involve internal alterations to remove existing cooker and extract and infill with storage units to match the existing and the retention of patio style windows and mock concertina garage doors instead of garage door approved by application W07/0079 - noted

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 - b. **Planning applications for consideration**, Together with any applications that may be received prior to date of meeting will be considered.

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| W13/0227 | Conversion of existing equestrian building to form a single dwelling house The Rye House, Catesby Lane, Lapworth |
| | No objection |
| W13/0322 | Erection of rear sun lounge after demolition of existing side extension Pound Cottage, Lapworth Street, Lapworth |
| | No objection |
| W13/0342 | Conversion and change of use of barn to 3 residential units Yew Tree Farm, Yew Tree Lane, Lapworth |
| | No objection to this proposal would however like consideration to be given to 1. an up to date bat survey 2. removal of permitted development rights 3. consideration being given the residential units contributing towards the Lapworth Housing allocation for the WDC Local Plan |
| W13/0448 | Erection of a single storey rear extension (resubmission of W13/0097) 35 Station Lane, Lapworth |
| | No objection |
| W13/0457 | Erection of two storey side extension 27 Kingswood Close, Lapworth |
| | No objection |

c. **Decision Notices -**

| Ref | | LPC Comment | WDC Decision |
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| W12/1555 | Alteration to existing garden structure to form arched entrance way (to serve access approved by planning permission W04/1620) alterations to existing outbuilding to provide orchard room extension, erection of single storey sun lounge building Tudor Farm, Catesby Lane, Lapworth | No objection | Withdrawn |
| W12/1632 | Erection of rear conservatory Cartref, 1 Wharf Lane, Lapworth, | No objection | Refused |
| W13/0097 | Erection of single storey rear extension 33 Station Lane, Lapworth | No objection | Withdrawn |
| W13/0144 | Erection of a single storey rear extension 101 Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth, | No objection | Granted |

17. **FINANCE**

a. **Accounts to 31st March 2013 - noted**

b. **Payments 15th April 2013**

| Invoice No. | Cheque No. | Payment Details | Amount |
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| | 101395 | Clerk March salary and expenses including ink | £621.28 |
| | 101396 | Post Office ltd March tax, NI, Employers NI | £172.49 |
| | 101397 | Village Hall March Room Hire x 2 | £56.00 |
| | 101398 | WALC Annual Subscriptions | £521.00 |
| | 101399 | CPRE Donation | £25.00 |
| | 101400 | Heart of England Way Subscription | £7.00 |
| | 101401 | Fairways 1 Of 7 and hedge cut at VH VAT £76.43 | £458.57 |
| | 101402 | W Cox and Sons – VH Fencing VAT £22 | £132 |

19. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** Councillor Mrs Margaret Francis, announced her intention to stand down from the position of Chairman and resign from the Parish Council at the May meeting. Parish Councillors thanked her for her long and dedicated service to Lapworth.

2013 Meeting Dates – 7.30pm in Lapworth Village Hall
13th May, 10th June, 8th July, 12th August provisional Planning Only, 9th September, 14th October, 11th November, 9th December