

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2015 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH**

**Present:** Cllr Henderson (Vice Chairman),  
Cllr Mrs Toogood, Cllr Mrs Ludlow, Cllr Giles, Cllr Mrs Smalley, Cllr Mrs Lester, Cllr Child,  
D Cllr Whiting C Cllr Mrs Compton,

1. **APOLOGIES** Cllr Corney (Chairman), Cllr Rees, D Cllr Mrs Gallagher
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
  - a. Register of Interests: none updated
  - b. to declare any personal interests in items on the agenda: none declared
  - c. to declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda: none declared
3. **FIONA HENDERSON, RURAL HOUSING ENABLER** – Following a presentation regarding the potential benefits and the process for carrying out a Housing Needs Survey in Lapworth it was agreed that a survey be carried out on behalf of the Parish Council in the new year after the wording of the covering letter and any additional questions is agreed.
4. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM** – representatives from Lapworth Cricket Club were present to outline proposed improvements to the Cricket Club and seek support for its bid for funding from Warwick District Council's Rural and Urban Capital Improvement Grant.
5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:-**
  - a. Parish Council Meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015 Agreed and signed as true record
6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** (not covered elsewhere on the agenda)  
Lengthsman Scheme – Dan Green WCC to attend February meeting. Representatives from Rowington and Hatton to be invited to attend.
7. **CORRESPONDENCE**
  - a. **Lapworth Cricket Club** – request for support for application to Rural and Urban Capital Improvement Grant. Cllr Giles proposed a donation of £500, seconded by Cllr Mrs Lester. It was resolved to make a £500 contribution towards improvements subject to the Grant being approved.
  - b. **Comments re W15/1890** Land Adj to Fir Tree Cottage, Chessetts Wood Road - forwarded – discussed under item 19 Planning.
8. **PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION** – in circulation file
  - a. LCR Magazine
9. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**
  - a. **Report from Warwick District Council** Cllr Whiting advised that the District Council was in the process of considering its budget proposals for 2016/17 and waiting for further detail from Central Government in relation to the funding to be awarded for that period. It was anticipated that it might be necessary to raise the District Council's proportion of the Council Tax charge by 1.99% this would be the first increase in a number of years. There was the potential for the current taxi token scheme to be reviewed for the year ahead. The Local Plan was still in suspension pending proposals to meet the critical issues relating to Coventry's unmet housing need. It was not anticipated that the revised housing figures would impact on allocation for Lapworth. Planning Applications being submitted for consideration should continue to be considered in line with current guidance and principles.
  - b. **Taxi Consultation** – noted
10. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
  - a. **Report from Warwickshire County Council** Cllr Mrs Compton advised that any requests for dropped kerbs, signage or speed restriction initiatives to be funded from the Delegated Transport Fund should be forwarded to her. WCC was also considering its 2016/17 budget proposals with a view to potentially putting forward an increase of 2% for the Adult Social Care budget as this is an area that touches nearly all residents. A survey carried out by the

- County Council had confirmed that those living in Warwickshire like the transport links, the county parks, employment and the people."
- b. **Warwickshire County Council – Transformation Fund Launch** - noted
  - c. **Mineral Plan Consultation** Period extended – noted
  - d. **Superfast Broadband** – Phase 1 covering parts of Lapworth and Hockley Heath was now completed.
  - e. **Police Precept Consultation** – comments by 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016
11. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS** – no report
  12. **WARWICK DISTRICT RURAL WEST COMMUNITY FORUM**
    - a. **Next meeting** 28<sup>th</sup> January 2016 – Cllr Giles and Mrs Lester to attend. Voting for police priorities to take place approximately two weeks before the Forum, Cllr Mrs Lester to advise when they were published.
  13. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**
    - a. **Land Registration** – deferred
    - b. **Recycling Facility** – recommended to the committee that the options be discussed with the Village Hall's waste management contractor.
  14. **LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES**
    - a. **Identification of Potential Additional Recreations Site** – report had been forwarded for discussion, meeting to be arranged for the new year.
  15. **VICARAGE ROAD ALLOTMENTS**
    - a. **Response for WDC re site next to allotments.** Cllrs Mrs Ludlow and Mrs Smalley to progress. Dates to be circulated for a site visit after 1pm on a Saturday.
  16. **ROADS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY** - General highway issues
    - a. Cllr Mrs Compton thanked for Lapworth Street signs and road marking.
    - b. Pot holes to be reported via Fix My Street
  17. **LAPWORTHPC.ORG.UK** – no report
  18. **OTHER ITEMS**
    - a. **Board Recording and Commemorating** Chairmen of Lapworth Parish Council ongoing.
  19. **PLANNING**
    - a. Items for circulation/items for discussion - **Committee on 8<sup>th</sup> December W/15/1842**  
Erection of single storey front/ side extension after demolition of the existing pool house (resubmission of W/14/0590 & W/15/0051) The Pound House, Lapworth Street, Lapworth, Recommendation **be granted**.
    - b. **Planning applications for consideration,**

W15/1627	Proposed erection of first floor extension to side / rear extension. Braeside, 120 Station Lane, Lapworth No objection
W15/1885	<b>Prior Notification:</b> Change of use from offices to 2no. two-bedroom apartments Old Bakehouse, 3 Mill Lane, Lapworth, No objection
W15/1890	Erection of two dwellings. Land adj. Fir Tree Cottage, 147 Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth No comment
W15/1944	<b>Application for prior approval</b> for a proposed change of use from an agricultural building (used for storage and workshop) to a dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) and associated Building Operations Valley Farm, Valley Lane, Lapworth No comment
W15/1988	<b>Prior Approval Notification</b> for a the proposed change of use from Office Use (Class B1a) to Dwelling house (Class C3) Arden Hill Stables, Lapworth Street, Lapworth

	No objection
W15/1995	Extension of detached property and erection of garage block. Demolition of existing extension, conservatory and outbuildings Coolderry, Rising Lane, Lapworth
	No objection to proposed changes to house. However Lapworth would comment that conditions should be attached to the Coach House to prohibit future changes to create a separate dwelling

c. **Decision Notices –**

Reference:	Description	PC Comment	WDC Decision
W15/1456	Erection of detached car port Bushwood Barn, Bushwood Hall, Bushwood Lane, Bushwood	No objection	Refused
W15/1503	Erection of a single storey front extension 3 Kingswood Close, Lapworth	No objection	Granted
W15/1612	Replacement of dwelling Southwood, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth	No objection	Granted
W15/1650	Insertion of 3 no sun tunnels together with the erection of 1.7m high gates and 1.87 high piers to existing vehicular entrance off Lapworth Street Juniper Hill, Lapworth Street, Lapworth	No comment	Granted
W15/1651 LB	Insertion of 3 no sun tunnels Juniper Hill, Lapworth Street, Lapworth	No comment	Granted

20. **FINANCE**

- a. **2016/2017 Budget** the budget circulated was proposed by Cllr Child, seconded Cllr Giles and it was resolved to approve as circulated
- b. **Precept** no increase to the precept was proposed. Therefore £17,000 to be requested proposed by Cllr Child, seconded by Cllr Giles and it was resolved to request £17,000 precept for 2016/17.
- c. **Payments** 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	Amount
	101603	Clerk November salary, and expenses	£568.92
	101604	Post Office ltd November tax	£130.60
	101605	Village Hall Grant and rent Sept, Oct x 2, Nov	£412.00
	101606	LPCC Grant	£250.00
	101607	SLCC Membership	£118.00
	101608	Fairways Additional Work VAT £66.00	£396.00

22. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** none

2015 Meeting dates 2016 dates 11<sup>th</sup> January, 8<sup>th</sup> February, 14<sup>th</sup> March Parish Assembly, 11<sup>th</sup> April, 9<sup>th</sup> May Annual Parish Meeting

All 7.30pm in Lapworth Village Hall – press and public welcome

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