

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 8th February 2016 AT LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL, OLD WARWICK ROAD, LAPWORTH**

Present: Cllr Corney (Chairman), Cllr Henderson (Vice Chairman),
Cllr Mrs Toogood, Cllr Giles, Cllr Rees, Cllr Mrs Smalley, Cllr Mrs Lester, Cllr Child,
C Cllr Mrs Compton,

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllr Mrs Ludlow, D Cllr Mrs Gallagher, D Cllr Whiting
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. **LENGTHSMAN SCHEME – Jenny Murray of Localities and Partnership Team** Gave a talk outlining the details of the lengthsman scheme. This scheme gave support for the employment of a 'lengthsman' to carry out lower level job and repairs within the Parish. However this would be limited to roads with a speed limit of less than 40mph. The Parish Council to discuss whether to explore the scheme further at March meeting.
4. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM**
5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:-**
 - a. Parish Council Meeting – 11th January 2015 – agreed and signed as a true record.
6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** - none
7. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - a. **Dorridge Fun Run** – request for representatives to attend meeting. Agreed - Clerk to invite to the April Meeting.
8. **PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION** – in circulation file
 - a. **Outlook CPRE Magazine**
9. **WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL**
 - a. **Report from the District Council** – A written update had been forwarded from Cllr Whiting the main update was concerning the Local Plan. This had been delayed as a result of the lost planning appeal concerning the Asps and Gallows Hill. The revised plan is now broadly complete, and due to go before full Council on Feb 24th. Papers detailing the revisions will therefore appear on the website a week before
 - b. **Training Support Session Planning Application and Consultation Processes** –
6pm Monday 15th February - Cllr Child to attend
10. **WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
 - a. **Report from the County Council** – A further £12 million cut from central government in addition to the £92 million reduction from the previous year had led to a 10 hour budget setting meeting for WCC and an inevitable increase in the WCC proportion of the Council tax. The improved signage in Lapworth funded by the delegated transport budget was scheduled to take place on 23rd February and bids for small jobs for the next financial year should be put forward to Councillor Mrs Compton. The Aviva Women's Cycle race was scheduled to go from Atherstone to Stratford on Avon on 16th June 2016. The Community Safety Team had issued a safety warning in relation to a number of fires caused by unattended tumble driers. Lapworth School was on the list for support from the Safer Routes to Schools team in relation to resolving parking issues.
 - b. **Open Evening** Chairman of WCC, Councillor Bob Stevens will be hosting an Open Evening and Reception at Shire Hall, Warwick on Saturday, 27th February 6.30 - 8.30pm. Representatives plus partners invited.
11. **WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**
 - a. **Housing Needs Survey** – Cllrs Corney and Rees to share out the surveys to be distributed by the end of February.
 - b. **External Audit for Smaller Authorities** – decision not to opt out

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

a. **Report of meeting 28th January 2016** – Cllr Mrs Lester advised that Lapworth had been identified as a police priority and additional patrols would be taking place within the Parish. Recent police vehicle checks on the Old Warwick Road had identified two or three motorists over the drink limit and one carrying drugs. Details regarding the Lengthsman Scheme had been briefed.

13. **LAPWORTH VILLAGE HALL**

a. **Land Registration** – carry forward

14. **LAPWORTH RECREATION SITES**

a. **Potential Additional Receptions Site** – discussions had taken place with a neighbouring Parish and further consideration would be given to that and other sites within the Parish.
 b. **Bromehall Lane Toilets** – to reopen on Friday 18th March 2016

15. **VICARAGE ROAD ALLOTMENTS**

a. **Land Adjacent to Allotments** – site visit Sunday 13th March 2016 - cancelled
 Clerk to discuss with the District the potential for having the site made over to the Parish Council to be held as a 'nature reserve'.

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

a. **Hanging Branch** – Station Lane – Clerk to write to owner and tenant of the property.
 b. **Hedge Vicarage Road** – Clerk to request Peter Hallam have the hedge cut back
 c. **Flooding Issues** – Cllr Compton to contact Martyn Stacey and Peter Hallam to address the issues of flooding and resultant debris.

17. **LAPWORTHPC.ORG.UK**

18. **OTHER ITEMS**

a. **Board Recording and Commemorating** Chairmen of Lapworth Parish Council. Cllr Corney to talk to signwriters
 b. **Annual Parish Assembly** – 7pm 14th March 2016 - noted

19. **PLANNING**

a. Items for circulation/items for discussion - none
 b. **Planning applications for consideration,**

W16/0078	Retrospective planning permission for a change of use of the stables to holiday let accommodation and permission for the existing business. Retrospective planning permission of the extensions to the existing stables block with improved disabled facilities. The Stables, Deer Park Farm, Bakers Lane, Knowle,
	Objection on the grounds of inappropriate development in the Green Belt. Concern regarding the high levels of light pollution throughout the night and the retrospective nature of the application.
W16/0080	Covered tractor and hay store Land adjacent, Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth
	No comment
W16/0101	Erection of a single storey rear oak framed conservatory following demolition of the existing rear extension. Little Rising, Rising Lane, Lapworth,
	No objection in principle but the Parish Council concurs with the conservation officer's observations
W16/0102 LB	Erection of a single storey rear oak framed conservatory following demolition of the existing rear extension. Little Rising, Rising Lane, Lapworth
	No objection in principle but the Parish Council concurs with the conservation officer's observations
W16/0143	Application to replace plots 7 + 8 on previously approved application W/12/1018. Proposal to increase width of each plot by 0.47m Land west of Junction between Mill Lane and Old Warwick Road, Lapworth,
	No objection
W16/0152	Ground Floor Side Extension, Removal of two rear dormers to form one large dormer, Increase roof covering on rear over nation and two storey front extension

	with open porch. The Oaks, Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth
	Objection regarding the proposed increase to a property that has already been considerably extended from the size of the original cottage it replaced.
W16/0178	Change of use from ancillary building (to existing dwelling) into single holiday let unit 10 Meadow Lane, Lapworth,
	No comment

c. **Decision Notices –**

Reference:	Description	PC Comment	WDC Decision
W15/1817	Change of use of existing stable building to a cattery Land adjacent, Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth	The Parish Council has a concern that there needs to be an onsite presence for a cattery and this might lead to a future application for residential accommodation on site. There have been previous applications for a dwelling on this site. Can a restriction on future applications be placed?	Refused
W15/1870	Change of use of stable block to a holiday let The Elms, 75 Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth	No objection subject to conditions to limit use and ensure access is made safe	Granted
W15/1890	Erection of two dwellings Land adj. Fir Tree Cottage, 147 Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth	No comment	Granted
W15/1973 LB	Conversion of redundant agricultural building into one residential dwelling High Chimneys, Lapworth Street, Bushwood, Henley-in-Arden	No comment	Refused
W15/1988	Prior Approval Notification 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	Prior approval not required
W15/2087	Erection of replacement dwelling with detached garage after demolition of the lodge at Rye Lodge, Catesby Lane, Lapworth,	No comment	Granted

20. **FINANCE**

a. **Payments** 8th February 2016

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	Amount
	101612	Clerk January salary, and expenses	£555.26
	101613	Post Office ltd January tax	£130.40

21. **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

2016 Meeting dates 14th March Parish Assembly, 11th April, 9th May Annual Parish Meeting

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

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