

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting 11th April 2016 Lapworth Village Hall

Present

Cllr Corney (Chairman)
Cllr Henderson (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Child

Cllr Mrs Ludlow
Cllr Mrs Smalley
Cllr Ross

Cllr Mrs Toogood
Cllr Rees

In Attendance

Clerk to the Council
District Councillor Whiting
County Councillor Mrs Compton

Public

Six members of the public

Minutes

16/3/1 Apologies

District Councillor Mrs Gallagher

16/3/2. Declarations of Interest – Cllr Henderson declared a personal interest in planning application W16/0578 LB

16/3/3. Dispensations – no dispensation requests received

16/3/4. Dorridge Fun Run – Representatives, Stephen Street and Ian Curtis, updated the Parish Council on measures proposed to minimise disruption to local residents on 5th June. These included a proposed later closing time of roads 9.45am and an earlier opening time of 11.45am. These proposals were still subject to agreement with the police and local authority but the DFR organisers were actively pursuing the changes. Improvements to litter reduction and collection were put forward. These included better deployment of the army cadets, rubbish bins and the use of plastic cups rather than bottles. All local charities are welcome to apply for a donation and details of how to apply have been requested. There was no movement on the suggestion that Dorridge Fun Run should be run entirely Dorridge or renamed to include Lapworth.

16/3/5. Public Participation

All members of the public were present in regard to item 16/3/15 concern regarding the a website post of Nurton Developments relating to the proposed development of land in the location of Swallowfield Equestrian Centre at the rear of Priory House and Priory Farm. District Councillor Whiting confirmed that this was speculative approach and not part of any planning progress. Subsequent information received from Warwick District Council advises:

‘The area has been submitted to us through the call for sites and is SHLAA reference no. R158. The land was recently assessed as part of the modifications to the local plan but has been rejected for development. The officer comments are “ Site is within a landscape parcel assessed as having high landscape sensitivity to residential development. Site is strongly connected to wider countryside to the north. Not well connected to services and facilities in main settlement (significant distance and

separated by Rising Lane). Flood zone 3,3a and 3b along eastern boundary and 25% of site”.

The information can be found in the Village Profile and Housing Allocations – February 2016, which is on our website here

http://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/downloads/file/3238/village_profile_and_housing_allocations_-_february_2016

An aerial photograph wrongly showing the site to be located between Packwood Lane and Mill Lane, together with the removal of hedging on Packwood Lane had caused a significant amount of concern amongst local residents.

16/3/6. Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the ordinary parish council meeting held on 14th March 2016 as a true and complete record of that meeting, subject to minor typing amendments

16/3/7. Reports for Information

a. Warwick District Council

Councillor Whiting reported that the Local Plan had been submitted back to the Inspector for approval. Proposals were being put forward to move the District Council's headquarters to the site of Covent Garden Car Park in Leamington Spa. Whilst the HQ relocation would be self funding and achieve an estimated ongoing annual saving of £300,000 finance was being sought for development of the new public car parking facilities. This could also impact on the future of the Town Hall in Leamington as it currently provided committee and meeting rooms for the District Council that could potentially be accommodated in the new offices.

b. Warwickshire County Council

County Councillor Mrs Compton reported that schools were very much on the agenda. In particular the number of places that might be needed to accommodate increased needs resulting from new development. Extra funding had been received for potholes. All encouraged to report potholes via www.fixmystreet.com. Bids had been received to run the Old Shire Hall in Warwick, which had been empty since the courts had left, as a conference and entertainment venue.

c. Warwick Rural West Community Forum – no report - next meeting 19th May 2016. Cllr Corney to attend. Grant applications could now be made.

16/3/8. Meeting/Training Dates

a. Warwick WALC 20th April 2016 – Cubbington

b. WALC Training Dates - forwarded

16/3/9. Correspondence and Publications Received for Information

a. Section 137 expenditure for 2016 - 2017 has been increased to **£7.42** (up 0.8%) per elector. This currently equates to £10,425 for the Lapworth electorate of 1405.

b. LCR Magazine – in circulation file

c. NALC Legal Topic Notes – Section 137, Disciplinary and Copyright - forwarded

16/3/10. Consultation Documents Received – all previously forwarded

e. Consultation on Main Modifications to the Stratford-on-Avon District Submission Core Strategy 2014 – noted

f. Consultation over proposals for access to broadband in remote locations

g. Consultation on proposed changes to planning process – can be filled in individually

16/3/11. Items and Correspondence for Consideration and Decision

- a. Tree replacement top of Kingswood Close. It **was RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would fund a tree replacement at this location. This was anticipated to be in the region of £200. Clerk to contact WCC to ascertain what types of tree could be considered.
- b. Packwood Lane Speed Limit proposal to extend 40mph limit to Solihull Boundary. It **was RESOLVED** not support this proposal as £8,000 to fund was not the best use of resources
- c. Clerk's Holiday – It **was RESOLVED** that any future meetings at which the clerk was not present would be clerked by a Lapworth Parish Councillor on an unpaid basis.
- d. Councillor Vacancy – it **was RESOLVED** to advertise the vacancy in June.

16/3/12. Progress Reports

- 11. Housing Needs Survey 222 out of 750 delivered returned (270 in 2009) to be discussed at June meeting
- b. Potential Recreation Site – Councillor Giles and the Clerk to contact the owners of the site to ascertain their views
- c. Board Commemorating Past Chairmen - ongoing
- d. Village Hall Land Registration – ongoing
- e. Overgrown hedge – Vicarage Road – rereported to Peter Hallam cc JC
- f. Boot Bonfire Parking – invitation reissued to Parish Council meeting
- g. Fields between Rising Lane and Kingswood Close – Tuesday 26th at 10am by the bench at the top of Kingswood Close.

16/3/13. Reports and Questions

- a. Lapworth Village Hall – no report
- b. Lapworth Recreation Sites – no report
- c. Flooding Issues – no report
- d. Allotments – rental increase agreed/lease extension agreed to offer 15 year lease with increase at 5 and 10 years
- e. Lapworthpc.org.uk – issue with link reported

16/3/14. Roads and Rights of Way – no issues reported

16/3/15. Planning

a. Planning Matters –

- i. New entrances Packwood Lane/Mill Lane – WDC enforcement team were looking to identify whether there has been a breach of planning regulations.
- ii. Nurton Developments – this site is not Packwood Lane/Mill Lane but behind the Swallowfield Equestrian Centre, Priory House and Priory Farm and previously identified as speculative approach.

b. Planning applications for consideration together with any others received prior to the meeting,

W16/0455	Erection of agricultural building (hay barn) Land opposite Brook House, Bakers Lane, Knowle
	Objection – inappropriate, oversized development in the Green Belt no special circumstances
W16/0461	Erection of a new dwelling on land adjacent to The Mount, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth
	No objection
W16/0505	Erection of single storey two bay garage Maud Cottage, Bushwood Lane, Bushwood
	No objection
W16/0568	Proposed rear sun room, side extension & conversion of garage to study

	125 Station Lane, Lapworth,
	No objection
W16/0578 LB	Proposed internal and external alterations to existing two storey side extension (northern elevation) Mountford Farm House, Church Lane, Lapworth
	No objection subject to conservation officer's approval

c. **Decision Notices** – note decisions on planning applications listed below

Reference:	Description	PC Comment	WDC Decision
W16/0078	Retrospective planning permission for a change of use of the stables to holiday let accommodation and permission for the existing business/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.	Refused
W16/0101 & 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	Withdrawn
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.	Refused
W16/0178	Change of use from ancillary building (to existing dwelling) into single holiday let unit at 10 Meadow Lane, Lapworth	No comment	Granted

d. **Appeals** – none notified

16/3/16. **Finance**

a. It **was RESOLVED** to approve the accounts for 2015/16

b. It **was RESOLVED** to approve accounts for payment as below

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	VAT	Amount
	101614	Clerk March salary, and expenses		£556.68
	101615	HMRC March		£130.60
	101616	Warwick District Council 2015 Election Fees		£225.00

16/3/17. **Date of Next Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting of Lapworth Parish Council will be held on 9th May 2016 at 7.30pm in Lapworth Village Hall

Meeting ended 9.35pm