

LAPWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Lapworth Parish Council 10th February 2020

	Present	
Cllr Henderson (Chairman)	Cllr Manley	Cllr Child
Cllr Ludlow	Cllr Doyle	Cllr Shales
Cllr Mace		

Also present: D Cllr Illingworth, D Cllr Hales

20/2/1 **Apologies - Cllr Rees (Vice Chair), C Cllr Cooke**

20/2/2 **Declarations of Interest – none declared**

20/2/3 **Dispensations – no requests received**

20/2/4 **Public Participation –**

Richard Evans, of Lapworth Cricket Club, provided background in relation to the request for a £750 grant to support the purchase of an electronic scoreboard to complete ground improvements that the club has implemented over the last 15 years. Also included in the grant requested was part funding for an umpires' changing facility as required to maintain membership of the Cotswold Hills League. Thanks and congratulations were extended to the Club for the great work done and achievements within the League. Twice runners up in the Premier League in 2018 and 2019.

20/2/5 **Minutes**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Lapworth Parish Council meeting of 13th January 2020 were agreed and signed as a true record.

20/2/6 **Reports for Information**

a **Warwick District Council** – Cllr Elkington advised Budbrooke Parish Council have an application at the next Community Forum to refurbish a K6 telephone box.

The District Council is offering small grants towards event marking VE75. Full details have been sent to all the parish clerks.

The Council continues to work together. The latest example is the agreed the approach to the declared climate emergency and the need to raise extra funds to implement changes which has all-party support. A statement has been released advising

'Together, we believe that the time has now come to take practical action to deal with the Climate Emergency. Warwick District Council's Officers and a cross-party group of Councillors have developed a plan 'The Climate Emergency Action Programme' that advocates strong local leadership and significant investment to change our future for the better.

This Plan will enable the Council to be carbon neutral by 2025 and help the district to also be carbon neutral by 2030, plus make necessary local preparations for climate disasters such as flooding. Investment today will help our communities 'face the future' with confidence.

Councillors believe that the fairest way to raise the money locally is through our Council tax. We will therefore be considering at the Council meeting on 26 February, asking

residents for an increase of £1 per week (for a Band D property) at a Referendum to be held on 7 May; this would put £3m per year into a 'ring-fenced' Climate Action Fund.

The Council proposes to establish an annual £3 million hypothecated **Climate Action Fund**, created through a progressive increase in Council tax, which would see a Band D household contributing **an additional £1 per week**. '

b. **Warwickshire County Council** – C Cllr Cooke had forwarded the following report

Minor Road Works

To my mind Peter Hallam is a miracle worker with the resources available to him. I have reported a number of problems to Peter over the last few months. He has been able to deal with a good number of them but by no means all. I ask that whenever possible you copy me into any requests that your Council make to him so we are not duplicating our efforts.

WCC Budget

Tuesday 18th February WCC will meet to determine next years budget and set its Council Tax. At the time of writing these details have not been published but I would expect that the WCC element of it will increase by 4.99% the maximum amount allowed without calling a referendum. I do believe that a substantial sum will be set aside for climate change measures.

20/2/7 Correspondence and Publications Received for Information/Consultation – previously forwarded

- a. The Rural Bulletins 14th, 21st and 28th January 2020
- b. Velo Birmingham and Midlands 21st June 2020
- c. Consultation - Royal Leamington Spa Neighbourhood Plan – comments by 17th Feb
- d. Stratford District Council Consultation on Development Requirements Supplementary Planning Document Part V: Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation
- e. Competition for Village Halls - deadline 15th March 2020
- f. CSW Broadband Update - January 2020
- g. NALC Newsletter – 29th January 2020
- h. WALC Newsletter – February 2020

20/2/8 Items and Correspondence for Consideration and Decision

- a. Grant Application £750 – Lapworth Cricket Club unanimously approved. Clerk to ascertain if it could be supported by the Indoor/Outdoor Sporting Grant.
- b. Annual Assembly considerations – agenda, publicity 7pm start, posters and Nextdoor Posters to include Climate Control (WDC), Neighbourhood Plan, PCSO, Hayley equipment 6.30 start
- c. Warwick Rural West Community Forum Thursday 27 February 2020 7pm Shire Hall
- voting priorities published, encourage all to participate. Cllr Child to attend Community Forum on the 27th February.

20/2/9 Progress Reports

- a. Village Hall Play Area/carpark improvements - progress report Cllr Rees
- b. Indoor/outdoor sports contribution update - Consideration to be given to Cycle Shelter at Village Hall, £660 to £2,000 but groundwork costly, installation would support climate change and encourage healthy habits. Cllr Ludlow to research.
- c. Lapworth Train Station phone box – Clerk has contacted WCC and Network Rail

- d. Millennium Sign – update
- e. Gritting Routes – decision as to whether to challenge WCC refusal to extend gritting routes
- f. Lapworth Canal Signage – Cllr Doyle progress update. Cloud 9 Marketing agency has information necessary and will produce outline posters. Contact to be made with the Canal and River Trust, funding to be sourced.
- g. Social media considerations – Cllr Doyle presented an outline Social Media plan which was welcomed by all. In terms of moving forward Cllr Doyle undertook to progress the first elements of the plan, and launch at the Annual Assembly. Cllr Doyle was thanked on the work that she had undertaken.
- h. Brome Hall Lane Toilets – Opening and spring clean confirmed
- i. Community Speedwatch update – Cllr Doyle reported that Ed King PCSO had given information on how to start a Community Speedwatch group, and would survey sites that can be carried out. Publicise at Assembly and confirm it will go ahead it regardless of other initiatives. Need at least 6 to 8 people to commit and undertake training. Promote that the PC is listening to views and concerns, but it is not possible to have cameras.
- j. Police and Crime Commissioner re speeding traffic – Signposted back to the Warwickshire Police

20/2/10 **Reports and Questions**

To receive reports and questions from members in brief, including items for next agenda. Councillors are reminded this is not an opportunity for decision making.

- a. Lapworth Village Hall
- b. Lapworth Recreation Sites
- c. Flooding Issues – Old Warwick Road
- d. Allotments
- e. Communications, Openness and Accountability
Lapworthpc.org.uk website
Nextdoor.com
Parish Noticeboards

20/2/11 **Roads and Rights of Way**

To receive reports in relation to roads and rights of way

20/2/12 **Planning**

- a. **Planning applications for consideration together with any others received prior to the meeting,**

W19/0751	Resubmission - proposed conversion of redundant stables to form one x 2 bedroom single storey dwelling with parking and amenity space (amended scheme - two units reduced to one unit to provide appropriate space for bat mitigation loft) Tapster Manor, Tapster Lane, Lapworth
	No amendment to original comment of No Objection
W19/2045	Erection of a single storey extension to pool house to create ancillary staff accommodation. Cedar Lawn, Packwood Lane, Lapworth
	Comment - no objection subject to remaining within 33% maximum growth and condition of dwelling being maintained as ancillary to main dwelling, not as a separate dwelling
W20/0144	Prior Approval under Part 3, Class Q (a) and Q (b) for a proposed change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house (Class C3) Barn at Packwood Farm Barn, Packwood Road, Lapworth
	Query as surprised that this is an appropriate case for prior notification as would have anticipated a full application? Also contrary to conditions imposed in relation to W05/0499?
W20/0155	Proposed erection of single storey rear and side extensions, and new porch to front elevation 7 Brome Hall Lane, Lapworth
	No objection

b. Decision Notices – note decisions on planning applications listed below

Reference:	Description	PC Comment	WDC Decision
W19/1610	Re-development of existing barn (Including Conversion, Demolition and Extension) to create a 4 Bedroom residential property and associated works. Old Barn, Sands Farm, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth		Withdrawn
W19/1771	Proposed extension to form access from bedroom over garage to main house, and proposed porch over main front door. Orchard House, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth		Withdrawn
W19/1853	Erection of 1no. detached dwellinghouse after demolition of existing dwellings The Limes, Chessetts Wood Road, Lapworth	No objection	Granted
W19/1963 W19/1964 LB	Demolition of 20th century garage block and sunroom. Erection of one and a half storey extension. at Rectory Cottage, Church Lane, Lapworth		Refused
W19/2037	Replace office building B1 (a) with dwelling C3 at Arden Hill, Lapworth Street, Lapworth,	Objection – inappropriate develop, no exceptional circumstances for new dwelling in the Green Belt.	Refused

c. Planning Appeals

Site Address: Sunnyside, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6HN

Description of development: Outline permission for erection of one dwelling - re-submission of W/18/0607 **Application Reference:** W/19/0925

Appeal reference: APP/T3725/W/19/3243345

20/2/13 Finance

a. To approve accounts for payment as below

Invoice No.	Cheque No.	Payment Details	VAT £	
	101841	Clerk January salary and expenses	582.57	
	101841	HMRC January	147.01	

20/2/14 Date of Next Meeting – The Annual Assembly and the next Ordinary Meeting of Lapworth Parish Council will be held on 9th March 2020 starting at 7.00pm in Lapworth Village Hall

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