**Minutes of Meeting of Lapworth Parish Council 12th October 2020**

Held Virtually via Zoom

**Present**

**Cllr Henderson (Chairman), Cllr Rees (Vice Chairman), Cllr Mace, Cllr Manley, Cllr Child**

**Also present: D Cllr Illingworth, C Cllr Cooke, D Cllr Hales**

1.   **Apologies**– Cllr Ludlow, Cllr Shales,

2.   **Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Mace declared a personal interest in item 8.2

3**.   Dispensations** – No requests received

4.   **Public Participation** – W20/1428 Replacement dwelling, garaging and associate landscaping. The applicant and his architect were present (virtually) to explain that the replacement dwelling was intended to be used as a family home. He appreciated that there had been objections from other residents on Bakers Lane but stressed it was not part of a wider development plan and that it was less that a 30% increase in footprint. The design to have a sustainable new home with minimal visual public impact and the proposal was fully in accordance with WDC plans.

5**.   Minutes** – It was RESOLVED to approve minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Lapworth Parish Council of 14th September 2020 Meeting, to be signed as soon as practicable.

6.   **Reports for Information**

6.1.   **Warwick District Council – Cllr Illingworth**

The White Paper on the future reorganisation of the local government is understood to have been delayed until next year. The Districts and Boroughs are beginning consultations and considerations. Meanwhile the County Council without consulting with the Districts and Boroughs or the public or awaiting the White Paper has put in a submission for a single Unitary Authority.

The three stands of Covid-19 activity continue:

1. Helping retail and businesses get back into operation

2. Getting used to new ways of working and returning staff to normal duties after redeployments

3. Planning and preparing should the second wave happen in this area.

The rationalisation of lots of Project Boards and working parties into half a dozen Programme Advisory Boards has started. I am on the one dealing with Health and Community Protection.

Together with Cllr Henderon, D Cllr Illingworth had participated in a Zoom meeting with a number of residents of Bakers Lane concerned with the complex planning issues in their area. Their concerns had been reported to the officers and a meeting will be arranged with representatives of the residents and relevant officers.

The Government consultation on the Planning White Paper proposing a rehash of the whole planning system supposedly speeding it up and bringing it into the 21st Century is still open until 29th October. The devil is no doubt in the detail and some aspects are a real cause for concern. Neighbourhood Plans remain part of the system but unless these are revised as well it is not clear how the two will work together.

At Senior officer level in WDC Dave Barber has moved to a new role dealing with Climate change and all its aspects and he has been replaced by Philip Clarke as Head of Development Services.

6.2.   **Warwickshire County Council**

County Council meeting agrees call for early unitary review

At the County Council Meeting on September 22nd it was agreed following a long debate that the Council would write to the Secretary of State Robert Jenrick asking for Warwickshire’s plans for a single County wide unitary authority be considered early on in the local government review. A number of amendments were moved and one calling for the scheme for separate North & South unitaries as championed by the District & Borough councils to also be sent to the Secretary of State and this was added to the motion and agreed.

Coventry and Warwickshire set to introduce Integrated Care Records

It will mean a doctor in a hospital, or a paramedic who attends a 999 call will be able to access the same crucial information as a GP, such as details of allergies and current medications, bringing potentially life-saving benefits.

Great news for cycling in Warwickshire as Warwick confirmed as host for Birmingham 2022 cycling road race. The historic St Nicholas Park will host the start and finish of the cycling Road Race event at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games, offering spectators in Warwick the opportunity to see world-class sport on their doorsteps.

Approximately 160 cyclists from across the Commonwealth will take part in the two Road Race events held at St Nicholas Park. Situated in Warwick town centre, set in 64 acres of stunning landscape, and with views of the world-famous Warwick Castle, the popular park will provide a picturesque backdrop for the event.

Spectators will be able to line the route of the Road Race, giving local people and visitors a fabulous opportunity to view the drama of the races as they unfold.

7.   **Correspondence and Publications Received for Information/Consultation**

7.1.   **Warwickshire Unitary Authorities report**

Different approaches being taken by WCC and WDC, early in process as White Paper not to be published until Spring 2021 at earliest. WDC intends to consult with Parishes via WALC, WCC not on list to be considered for unitary authority status in first tranche.

7.2.   **West Midlands Trains Online Stakeholder Research Survey Autumn 2020 - closes 6th November**– noted to be completed as appropriate.

7.3.   **Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service, Integrated Risk Management Plan 2020 – 2025**- noted

7.4.   **Warwickshire Recycles Centres - Update**- noted

7.5.   **Solihull’s Draft Submission Plan moves to next stage**- noted

7.6.   **Consultation - Burton Green Neighbourhood Development Plan**- noted

7.7.   **Responding to Planning Applications: Training 2nd & 9th December**– please advise Clerk if you wish to attend.

8.   **Items and Correspondence for Consideration and Decision**

8.1.   **Section 106 Indoor & Outdoor Sports Grant** - request to WDC to convert indoor funding to outdoor sports facilities. Cllr Illingworth to raise with officers

8.2.   **Speeding and Unofficial Lorry Park - Grove Lane - concerns received from resident**– Two separate issues a WCC highways and WDC planning matter. It was reported that cars and trucks travelling in excess of 60mph and 40mph respectively. WCC Cllr Cooke advised that WCC could struggle to change speed restrictions. Cllr Illingworth commented that it was natural to have plant and equipment at a farm, if being used as a builders yard it is a change of use and therefore on list of for enforcement officers. Cllr Cooke would report to WCC highways and Cllr Illingworth to follow up with the WDC Enforcement Team.

8.3.   **Railway Bridge OWR**– Cllr Henderson had reported overhanging branch obscuring low bridge warning sign to Peter Hallam who had undertaken to have a look.

8.4.   **Traffic Monitoring** - Request to impose speed limit and traffic calming on Old Warwick Road. Forwarded to WCC and WDC Councillors for consideration at November meeting. Speed data provided by mobile phone companies can be purchased by WCC, WCC can undertake own speed monitoring which can be supplied to LPC at a cost.

Confirmation had been received that gate proposed as part of the speeding measures outside the Boot improvement would be reconstituted plastic.

8.5.   **Parish On-line – free trial ending –** paid subscription as agreed

9.   **Progress Reports**

9.1.   **Lapworth Surgery** – Advised that flu vaccine availability was limited due to increase in eligible members of the public, therefore if it is possible to access privately please do so. Lapworth Volunteers have been asked to reform and prescription delivery service starting next week, shopping service to start up in next two or three weeks. Reviewing use of telephone service.

9.2.   **Community Speedwatch update** - defer

9.3.   **Lapworth Speeding improvement scheme by Lapworth Boot** –

previously covered

9.4.   **Lapworth Train Station phone box** – no longer being used as a donation station

9.5.   **Millennium Sign** – defer

9.6.   **Lapworth Canal Signage** – defer

9.7.   **Social Media Considerations** - photography competition deadline extended to 31st August 2020

10.   **Reports and Questions**  
To receive reports and questions from members in brief, including items for next agenda.

10.1.   **Lapworth Village Hall** - AGM 14th October 2020

10.2.   **Lapworth Recreation Sites** - Cllr Cooke to provide contact details for officer responsible for footpaths and ‘kissing gates’. Quarterly inspection for play area no areas for concern, trip hazard by little trampoline, official warning from Kompan re cradle swing replacement part being sent. Toilets to have pre winter check and clean with a view to reopening in the spring.

10.3.   **Communications, Openness and Accountability**

10.3.1.   [Lapworthpc.org.uk](http://lapworthpc.org.uk/) website

10.3.2.   [Nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com/)

10.3.3.   **Parish Noticeboards**

11.   **Roads and Rights of Way** -

11.1.   TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF D5039 STATION LANE (STATION ROAD), KINGSWOOD / LAPWORTH 26th to 29th October

12.   **Planning applications considered**

12.1.   W20/1370 Erection of single storey side and rear wrap-around extension. This application is a resubmission of approval W/20/0428 and proposes to erect an additional side extension and make amendments to the roof design, extent of render and width of the extension.  
21 Station Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6LW.

LPC Comment: Objection as exceeds 45 degree limit

12.2.   W20/1413 Application for Prior Approval under Part 3, Class Q (a) and (b) for proposed change of use of agricultural building to a dwelling house (Use Class C3) and associated external alterations  
50 Bakers Lane, Knowle, Solihull, B93 8PW

LPC Comment: No objection, but query whether a second access is being proposed?

12.3.   W20/1428 Replacement dwelling, garaging and associate landscaping.

Land to the North of, Bakers Lane, Knowle, Solihull

LPC Comment: LPC has no comment on this application

12.4 W20/1422 Application for Prior Approval for proposed demolition of buildings and construction of new dwelling under Town and Country Planning (GPDO) England Order 2015 (as amended)-Schedule 2, Part 20, Class ZA

The Coach House, Arden Hill, Lapworth Street, Lapworth

LPC Comment: No objection to this application

12.5 W20/1329 Proposed erection of single storey glazed garden room to rear of existing dwelling, plus and first floor window to existing gable.

Church Farm, Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6PU

LPC Comment: No objection to this application

12.6 W20/1330 LB Proposed erection of single storey glazed garden room to rear of existing dwelling, plus and first floor window to existing gable.

Church Farm, Glasshouse Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6PU

LPC Comment: No objection to this application

12.7 W20/1540 LB Replace existing tile covering and insulate, insert doors and Conservation rooflights to rear elevation of C20 wing

Little Rising, Rising Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6HW

LPC Comment: No objection

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

13.1.   Ref - W20/0860 Erection of an orangery to side  
Address - Church Meadow, Church Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 5NU  
Lapworth PC Comment - No objection  
WDC Decision - Withdrawn

13.2.   Ref - W20/0904 Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and erection of new dwelling.  
Address - Pine Cottage, Rising Lane, Lapworth   
Lapworth PC Comment - No objection - subject to environmental and ecological concerns being addressed  
WDC Decision - Granted

13.3.   Ref - W20/0968 Resubmission of W/19/1470: Proposed erection of a self build dwelling to Plot 1.  
Address - Bryant Nursery, Station Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6LR  
Lapworth PC Comment - No objection  
WDC Decision - Granted

13.4.   Ref - W20/0969 Resubmission of W/19/1381: Construction of detached dwelling and garage to Plot 2,  
and formation of drive with hammer head turning  
Address - Bryant Nursery, Station Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6LR  
Lapworth PC Comment - No objection  
WDC Decision - Granted

13.5.   Ref - W20/0970 Resubmission of W/19/1830: Proposed erection of self-build dwelling and garage to  
Plot 3.  
Address - Bryant Nursery, Station Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6LR  
Lapworth PC Comment - No objection  
WDC Decision - Granted

13.6.   Ref - W20/0995 Demolition of rear conservatory and erection of a rear single storey extension. Replacement of windows with aluminium (grey) windows. Extension to front porch with new front step. Application of render and timber cladding to front elevation.  
Address - 167 Station Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6JH  
Lapworth PC Comment - No objection  
WDC Decision - Granted

13.7.   Ref - W20/1091 Proposed erection of single storey rear extension to existing summer house extension  
Address - Terets Lodge, Rising Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6JA  
Lapworth PC Comment - No objection subject to clarification regarding dormer windows shown in roof plans but not in elevations.  
WDC Decision - Refused

13.8.   Ref - W20/1112 Prior Approval under Part 18, Class A for the reconstruction of a section of railway bridge.  
Address - Rail Bridge over Canal East of Brome Hall Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 5RA  
Lapworth PC Comment - No objection  
WDC Decision - Prior approval given

13.9.   Ref - W20/1195 Erection of proposed first floor front extension over existing garage, alteration to single storey flat roof frontage to pitched roof, replacement of plastic boarding to front with render, and erection of single storey rear extension.  
Address - 149 Station Lane, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6JH  
Lapworth PC Comment - No objection  
WDC Decision - Granted

13.10.   Ref - W20/1319AG Notification for prior approval for erection of agricultural building  
Address - Helmsley Court Farm, Bakers Lane, Knowle, Solihull, B93 8PT  
Lapworth PC Comment - Objection Poor application with no justification for barn, query is this equestrian as opposed to agricultural?  
WDC Decision - Withdrawn

14.   **Planning Appeals**

14.1.   Appeal Decisions  - none

14.2.   Appeals Registered  
Site Address: Old Barn, Sands Farm, Old Warwick Road, Lapworth, Solihull, B94 6HL Description of development: Re-development of existing barn (Including Conversion, Demolition and Extension) to create a 4 Bedroom residential property and associated works.  
Application Reference: W/20/0262 Appellant's name: Ms. E. Piley  
Appeal reference: APP/T3725/W/20/3256797 Appeal start date: 21/09/2020

15.   **Other Planning Matters**

15.1.   Bakers Lane – local residents arranging to have a face to face meeting with WDC planning officers regarding developments in Bakers Lane.

16.   **Finance**

16.1.   It was RESOLVED to approve the accounts put forward for payment.

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| Invoice No. | Cheque No. | Payment Details | VAT  £ | Total |
|  | 101866 | Clerk September 2020 salary and expenses |  | 592.19 |
|  | 101866 | HMRC September 2020 |  | 151.38 |
|  | 101867 | Fairways 14 of 21 | 84.20 | 505.20 |
| SO230899 | 101868 | Kompan Annual Inspection Package | 111.00 | 666.00 |
| 44UF018-003 | 101869 | Parish On-Line Subscription | 19.20 | 115.20 |

17.   **Date of Next Meeting**

On 9th November 2020 starting at 7.30pm to be held virtually via Zoom