



## LIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on

### **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 6.30pm in Liddington Village Hall**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Bunney, Hill, Lomax, Moore, Wilson (Chair)

Also in attendance: Gary Sumner (Ward Councillor) and Val Curtis (Clerk)

#### **ACTION**

##### **1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Moore proposed Councillor Wilson as Chair. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Bunney and agreed unanimously.

##### **2. CONSIDER CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Moore proposed that David Lomax be co-opted onto the Parish Council. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Bunney and agreed unanimously.

##### **3. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

Councillor Bunney proposed Councillor Lomax as Vice Chair. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Hill and agreed unanimously.

##### **4. ALL MEMBERS TO RECEIVE AND SIGN 'DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE' FORMS AND REGISTER OF MEMBERS INTEREST FOLLOWING ELECTION**

All members received and signed the Declaration of acceptance of office forms and completed Register of Members Interest

##### **5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Lomax declared an interest as Parish Council's representative on the Village Hall committee. Cllr Hill declared an interest as a member of the Village Hall committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 6.45pm for the Parish Council Annual Assembly

The meeting was re-convened at 7.50pm

##### **6. APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Resolved:** Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016 were approved and signed as a true record.

##### **7. MATTERS ARISING**

Speed of traffic using the B4192 - Robert Buckland spoke to Cllr Toby Elliott and put him in touch with Cllr Wilson, who provided two dates for a meeting with the Parish Council. Cllr Elliott has not responded to four email requests for the meeting so he will contact Robert Buckland

## 8. PUBLIC SESSION

Two members of the public were present and raised the issue of a response received from SBC regarding the wider issues being experienced in the village with a proposed development in a Conservation area. The Planning Enforcement Officer, Conservation Officer and a Planning Officer to be invited to attend the next meeting of the Parish Council. Clerk

## 9. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF:

**Resolved:** The Parish Council agreed to re-adopt the LPC Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.

## 10. PLANNING MATTERS

(a) **Application:** S/16/0739 (25<sup>th</sup> May 2016)

**Location:** Great Western Hospital, Marlborough Road, Swindon SN3 6BB

**Proposal:** Erection of a combined heat and power (CHP) system and associated infrastructure

**Resolved:** that the Parish Council has no comments to make to application S/16/0739

## 11. WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT

Gary Sumner advised the meeting that West Berks was funding a replacement for the number 90 bus service due to pressure from Lambourn residents and making a contribution towards the number 47 bus. He had approached several Parish Councils and all but South Marston had confirmed interest in the alternative bus provision for the villages and parishes. The service would be a 16 seat bus travelling in a loop from the hospital through the villages, Covingham, Nythe and back to the hospital. Parish Councils will be asked to encourage local residents to make use of the service to ensure it is well supported. Without the support, Parish Councils may have to contribute to the cost in the future. NEV- Lotmead and Redlands planning applications have been pushed back to the end of June. He had become aware that Thames Water are unable to supply water to the southern part of the development. There is capacity at Barnfield Road sewerage treatment plant therefore a new plant will not be needed to be built. Full planning applications are expected by the end of the year for the Rowborough development and also the Southern connector road.

## 12. VILLAGE MATTERS

- (a) **To agree tasks for the Lengthsman to undertake this month** – no tasks were agreed. The meeting noted that the playing field was in need of some work being undertaken. Cllrs Wilson, Lomax and Bunney to meet Mark Reynolds on site to discuss. Clerk to arrange suitable date
- (b) **To further determine if the Parish Council wishes to explore potential services transfers from the Borough Council** – a further meeting to be arranged with Kirsty Cole to discuss the detail

## 13. FINANCE

- (a) **Account Summary** – It was **resolved** to accept the statement of accounts as at the end of the financial year. Cllr Lomax suggested investigating electronic banking to facilitate more frequent reconciliations. Action – Cllr Wilson and Clerk
- (b) **Budget 2016/17** – It was **resolved** to approve and adopt the budget for 2016/17.

### (c) Invoices

It was **resolved** to approve payment of the following:

- Wiltshire Association of Local Councils Annual Subscription - £135.43

It was **resolved** to ratify the following payment made between meetings

- Mark Reynolds – Cut hedges round playing field - £180.00

### (d) Consider any grant requests received

- It was **resolved:** that £100 donation be given to the Bobby Van Trust.

The meeting noted that there was a need for another cheque signatory. Cllr Bunney was proposed by Cllr Wilson and seconded by Cllr Hill.

## 14. INSURANCE

- (a) **Level of Cover** – The Council **resolved** that the level of insurance cover was adequate

**(b) Policy renewal** – The Council **resolved** to accept the quotation from Ecclesiastical at a cost of £542.96, including 9.5% insurance premium tax. This takes into account a new 3-year long term agreement which will expire on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019.

**15. LIDDINGTON BELLS PROJECT**

**Resolved** – The Parish Council agreed to the request from the Project Manager of the Liddington Bells Project to use the Recreation Ground for additional car parking facilities for additional church services on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to celebrate the success of the project and Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016 for the dedication service

**16. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

The meeting was informed that Cllr Bishop had carried out safety checks on the play equipment on 17<sup>th</sup> April and 1<sup>st</sup> May. As Cllr Bishop has retired, Cllr Bunney will now carry out the inspections.

Cllr Wilson informed the meeting that Superfast Broadband was expected by late July

**17. PARISH MAGAZINE**

The Parish Council **resolved** to put the following in the Parish Magazine

- Nerissa Vaughan, CEO and Hilary Walker, Chief Nurse from Great Western Hospital attendance at the meeting
- Parish Councillor vacancies
- Gary Sumner, new Ward Councillor

**18. CORRESPONDENCE**

The meeting noted the following correspondence for information:

- CPRE – Countryside Voice and Wiltshire voice

**19. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/FUTURE AGENDA**

- Website content
- Councillors responsibilities

The meeting concluded at 10.10pm

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