



## LIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on  
**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2016 at 7pm in Liddington Village Hall**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Hill, Lomax, Moore, Spillane and Wilson (Chair)  
Also in attendance Ward Councillor Gary Sumner and Val Curtis (Clerk)

### 1. PUBLIC SESSION – TRAFFIC MATTERS

As no members of the public were in attendance, the Parish Council continued with the meeting

### 2. APOLOGIES

**Resolved:** to approve Cllr Bunney's reason for absence (business related).

### 3. 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

### 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**Resolved:** The Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016 were approved and signed as a true record after an amendment to item 8 – Ward Councillor's report. Further discussion was held re the Lotmead appeal. A response was made online re-iterating previous comments and the Parish Council was fully supportive of SBC's refusal.

### 5. MATTERS ARISING

Street signs for hidden junctions – Cllr Wilson has chased Suzanne Coles at SBC by email twice and still not received a response. Cllr Sumner will make contact and ask for a response. **Action – Cllr Sumner**

Community Speedwatch – Cllr Spillane has now received sufficient volunteers to arrange a local training session – suggested date 3rd December.

Traffic Survey – Cllr Wilson is still awaiting further breakdown of the data obtained

Highways Review – the following response to be submitted:

**Action - Clerk**

Liddington Parish Council have the following comments to make in response to those made in the Highways Review document:

#### **Medbourne Lane**

The report highlighted the fact that the road had limited width reducing to a single track and blind bends but SBC believes that these disincentive drivers from rat running along this route. In reality, this is not the case, as it regularly used for rat running which is exacerbated when a problem occurs on the M4 or there are holdups on the A346. Mitigation measures need to be put in place to address the severe impact that the planned development work of J15 will have as any delays will create more rat running through Badbury leading into Medbourne Lane, The Street and Ham Road. This also needs to be taken into account with whatever agreement is reached for Day House Lane under the Badbury Park development as it will impact Medbourne Lane.

The photographs contained in the report are purporting to illustrate the existence of locations for passing which are private driveways to properties, one of which will be imminently removed due to recent planning permission granted, and not recognised passing places.

To alleviate the burden on the road the Parish Council would like no HGV signs to be installed at the entrances to Medbourne Lane or an experimental TRO for the morning and evening rush hours. It is also felt that a speed limit of 20 mph should be imposed on the narrow section between the B4192 and Long

Close property. A coloured section of the road to give the illusion of a footpath/cycle path and/or road markings to make the road feel narrower would also be of benefit to reduce speed.

### **The Street**

This is very narrow and cars are constantly parked obstructing the footpath creating a danger when pedestrians have to walk in the road around the cars. It is also used as overflow parking when events are held at the Church or Village Hall. The Parish Council would like to address the situation and would welcome any suggestions for possible solutions.

### **Bell Lane**

To help reduce the speed of traffic using The Street leading into Bell Lane as a through route or rat run, road markings to give the illusion that the road is narrower could have the desired effect. A coloured section of roadway to 'suggest' a footpath and therefore narrowing the road could also be beneficial.

### **B4192**

As the designated alternative route to the M4 excess speed and enforcement is an issue and is currently being investigated by Suzanne Coles. The Parish Council have requested traffic calming measures and to assess the current situation, a traffic survey was carried out in September. Some results have been received but a further breakdown of the data was requested and is outstanding.

Road signs to highlight the blind entrances to Church Road, Medbourne Lane and Hillside Cottages have been requested as these junctions are particularly hazardous when entering Purley Road.

The road needs to be made to feel narrower by the use of markings at the top, coming downhill and at the bottom by the houses.

### **B4192 to Foxhill, Wanborough.**

This is a section of 'The Ridgeway' long distance path and National Trail which needs a designated footpath for cyclists and walkers as this is a busy, hazardous road.

Allotment Provision – the Clerk informed the Council that contact had been made with the Diocese of Bristol. As the allotments are on Diocesan glebe land, they need to seek advice from the Diocesan Land Agent which will then need to be considered by the Board. Full reasoning for the request from the Parish Council had been requested.

**Action - Clerk**

## **6. PUBLIC SESSION**

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## **7. CLERK'S REPORT**

Play Equipment

<b>Defective part</b>
Replacement part delivered
<b>Annual Playground Inspection</b>
Annual inspection booked to be carried out during November, actual date not confirmed

## **8. PLANNING MATTERS**

(a) **Application:** S/16/1623 (4<sup>th</sup> November 2016)

**Location:** Phase 2 Green Infrastructure, Badbury Park Commonhead Swindon

**Proposal:** Reserved matters from previous permission S/10/0842 for phase 2 green infrastructure & highways drainage

**Resolved:** that the following comment be submitted:

The SUDS and any open spaces should remain under the control of the Management company and future maintenance provision needs to part of the permission

**Application:** S/16/1629 (4<sup>th</sup> November 2016)

**Location:** Parcel R6, Badbury Park, Commonhead

**Proposal:** Erection of 181no. dwellings and associated landscaping and infrastructure – Reserved matters from previous permission S/10/0842

**Resolved:** that the following comment be submitted:

Under existing proposals when the development crosses Dayhouse Lane this will lead to additional traffic spilling onto the local network. The Parish Council therefore requests that traffic

calming measures are introduced in Day House Lane and Medbourne Lane. We would suggest that Section 106 contributions be used to pay for the installation of such measures

(a) It was noted that the following applications had been granted permission:

S/16/1423 – 10 The Street – erection of a single storey side extension

S/LBC/16/1424 – 10 The Street – erection of a single storey side extension

S/16/1097 – 6 The Street – demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2no. detached dwellings and associated works

S/16/1596 – 35 Purley Road – erection of two storey side and single/two storey rear extensions

## 9. WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cllr Sumner suggested that any agreement between the Council and SBC with regards to Transfer of Services should identify areas of exclusion, such as cleaning grips, ditches, trees, highway verges up to one metre, gully cleaning and highway cleaning. SBC would remain responsible for trees but it has a five-year plan already in place therefore any additional requests need to be considered.

The Redlands planning application is to be heard at the December planning meeting.

Wanborough Parish Council's Neighbourhood Plan has been put on temporary hold as SBC does not have a 5 year housing land supply in place resulting in little or no notice being given to neighbourhood plans.

Free school providers have been approved for the primary and secondary schools in the NEV and the primary school in Badbury Park.

Cllr Sumner left the meeting

## 10. VILLAGE MATTERS

- (a) **To agree tasks for the Lengthsman to undertake this month** - It was noted that the playing field work had been completed. Other tasks already identified will be undertaken in due course. No additional items were identified.
- (b) **To provide an update with regards to services transfer from the Borough Council** – some amendments need to be made to the agreement before submitting to SBC for signing
- (c) **To consider a response to SBC re residents' concerns over road traffic safety issues** – this has been covered under matters arising
- (d) **To consider whether a village neighbourhood plan should be prioritised** - temporarily put on hold
- (e) **To provide an update on Library Strategy Consultation, particularly the Mobile Library service and alternatives** -The mobile library will be removed with effect from July 2017. Alternatives currently being suggested are a click and collect service or a micro library in a suitable location. To be considered at a future meeting
- (f) **To decide on the distribution of remaining Queens Birthday Celebration mugs** - The mugs will be sold at the Church event on 12<sup>th</sup> November and the Village Hall event in early December

## 11. FINANCE

It was resolved to approve payment of the following:

### (a) Invoices

- Kompan – invoice no SI220821 - £261.60

To ratify payment made between meetings

- Liddington Village Hall – invoice no 016/8017 - £31.50

### (b) Application for and approval of dispensation

Councillors Hill, Lomax, Moore, Spillane and Wilson completed the application forms which were duly signed by the Clerk granting the dispensation. Cllr Bunney will need to complete the application at the next meeting.

## 12. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Superfast Broadband – Cllr Wilson informed the Council that there was no progress in the signing of the agreement between UKB and Thames Water.

**13. PARISH MAGAZINE**

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

- Future Library Provision
- Community Speedwatch

**14. CORRESPONDENCE**

The meeting noted the following correspondence for information:

- Swindon Residential Design Guide:

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

- Karen Phimister, Graduate Planner, SBC to attend the next meeting.

The meeting concluded at 9.40pm

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