



LIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on
Wednesday 7th March 2018 at 7pm at Liddington Village Hall

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

1. APOLOGIES

Resolved: To approve Cllr Lomax's reason for absence (unavailable). **Resolved:** To approve Cllr Spillane's reason for absence (unavailable).

2. CONSIDER CO-OPTION OF A PARISH COUNCILLOR

Cllr Hill proposed that Phil Cripps be co-opted onto the Parish Council. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Bunney and agreed unanimously.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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 7th February 2018 were approved and signed as a true record.

5. MATTERS ARISING

Day House Lane – Cllr Sumner to arrange a residents meeting for Liddington, Badbury, Chiseldon, Meadow Way and Badbury Park to discuss Highways issues and canvass for views and opinions. **Action – Cllr Sumner**

Church Yard – the gate between the churchyard and playing field had been put in about 15 years at the request of the Church to facilitate access between the playing field and the Village Hall for the annual Church/Village Fete. Quote to be requested for an informal/formal gravel footpath using existing route, keeping clear of the graves.

Action – Clerk

Village Hall bins – Clerk to email/write to Matthew Bowman informing him that the emptying of the village hall bins would not be included in the 2018/19 contract. **Action – Clerk**

Commemorative mugs – Cllr Moore informed the Council that the surplus stock of the mugs had now been handed over to the Village Hall.

6. PUBLIC SESSION

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

7. PLANNING MATTERS

(a) To consider any planning applications:

Application: S/17/1956 – 14 day revised (9th March 2018)

Location: Local Centre (Parcels LC1 & LC2), Commonhead Site, Commonhead

Proposal: Erection of a local centre comprising retail units (A1 use class), community hall (D1 use class), day nursery (D1 use class) and 20no. residential units with associated works

Application: S/17/1961 14 day revised (9th March 2018)

Location: Parcels R7a & R7b, Commonhead Site, Commonhead Swindon

Proposal: Erection of 28no. dwellings (13no.@R7a & 15no.@R7b) and associated works

Application: S/17/1948 – 14 day revised (9th March 2018)

Location: Parcel P6b, Commonhead Site, Commonhead

Proposal: Erection of 33no. dwellings and associated works

Resolved: that the following comments be submitted in respect of all three applications

At its meeting on 7th March 2018, Liddington Parish Council agreed that it wished the following comments to be noted against the above-mentioned planning applications.

All comments made in our responses dated 4th January and 9th February 2018 are still relevant and apply. For ease please see below:

We have concerns that there appears to be a somewhat hidden agenda to increase the number of dwellings from the original permission of up to 890 to 976, without additional mitigation measures being put in place for the increase in pressure on services such as education, health provision and the highways. This pressure has increased greatly since the original outline consent was granted on appeal more than five years ago. For this reason, unless the current application is suitably amended, we must **formally object** to it, and request that it is considered by the Planning Committee

We concur with and endorse the views expressed by Highways England in their response of 3rd January 2018 with regards to the transport statement does not include any information on how the A419 Commonhead Roundabout and M4 J15 would be affected by traffic generated by the new proposals. As no cogent evidence has been provided on the cumulative effect of these additional dwellings on the highways network, both major and minor roads, and confirmation of what measures are being put in place to minimise rat running, we **formally object** to the proposals. We also request that it is considered by the Planning Committee and not delegated authority.

Application: S/HOU/18/0212 (9th March 2018)
Location: 18 The Green, Liddington SN4 0HG
Proposal: Erection of a single storey side and rear extensions
Resolved: that the following comment be submitted

Parish Council has no objections to this application

(b) **To note any decisions** – it was noted that no decisions had been made.

8. WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT

NEV Transport drop in session had been well attended. The Southern Connector road needed sufficient capacity and should be a dual carriageway and reminded the Council to comment during the current consultation. He also said that the White Hart junction should be the best it can be and not the cheaper option available.

Ward Cllr Sumner left the meeting at 8.25pm

9. FINANCE

(a) It was **resolved** to approve payment of the following:

- Kompan Ltd – Invoice no S1223756 & Credit note SC202426 - £289.82
- Earth Anchor – Invoice No EA30784 - £182.34
- Wilts & Berks Canal Trust - £25.00
- Adams & Watt – Invoice no.3270 - £1,020.00
- Valerie Curtis – Clerks Remuneration - £526.25
- Kompan Ltd – invoice no S1223945 - £196.80
- Adams & Watt - £527.46

(b) It was **resolved** to approve payment of the following standing order

- Adams & Watt – Annual grass cutting contract – March instalment - £352.20

(c) **To review updated Asset Register** – it was **resolved** to approve the revised and updated Asset Register

(d) **Appointment of internal auditor** – it was **resolved** to appoint Auditing Solutions Ltd as the Internal Auditor for financial year 2017/18. **Action - Clerk**

10. VILLAGE MATTERS

(a) To discuss and agree action to address parking issues in the Village Hall/Church car park
Cllr Hill to discuss situation and possible solutions and send Revd O'Connell online booking tool

Action – Cllr Hill

(b) To review quotes received from Adams & Watt for additional works requested – it was agreed that Adams & Watt should be asked to complete works to the footpath alongside the B4192 and brook twice a year in June/July and November/December

Action - Clerk

11. ACQUISITION OF SPINNEY CLOSE GREEN

No progress had been made with the acquisition to date. Cllr Moore and the Clerk had attended a meeting with Rob Core and Martin Hambidge from SBC to discuss the back-access path to the properties in Spinney Close. It was confirmed that rights of access had been provided to the residents and the maintenance of the path was therefore their responsibility.

12. FOOTPATHS/BRIDLEWAYS

Deferred to the April meeting.

13. PROVISION OF A DEFIBRILLATOR

Cllr Moore will approach the Landlord/Landlady of the Village Inn to discuss the possibility of a defibrillator being sited there. Richard Schofield will attend the AGM in May to give a presentation on the training and use of a defibrillator to the Parish Council. The Village residents will be encouraged to attend. Richard Schofield also advised the Clerk to contact Community Heartbeat for details of costings etc. **Action – Cllr Moore/Clerk**

14. GDPR

Cllr Hill reported that she had been working through the NALC GDPR Toolkit and identified areas of concern. There was a need to provide all Councillors with Parish Council email addresses that she would action. The current host server was located in Canada which is not permitted under the new regulations that become law on 25th May 2018. An EU/UK needed to be identified. A meeting will be held with the Clerk week beginning 12th March to discuss actions that need to be taken. **Action – Cllr Hill/Clerk**

15. COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS

Borough/Parish meeting – Cllr Moore attended in Cllr Wilson’s absence and was dismayed at the number of SBC Officer’s listed to attend that gave their apologies.

Playing Field – The new swings and cradle seats had now been fitted. Cllr Bunney reported that he had carried out the fortnightly inspections on the play equipment on February 10th and 23rd. The side panel on the rocker still needed replacing, however it was difficult to identify the correct part on the Kompan website or from the drawings supplied. Clerk to ask Kompan if the panel can be sent to them for identification purposes **Action - Clerk**

Community Safety Forum – Cllr Wilson will be attending the next meeting to be held on Tuesday 13th March.

16. PARISH MAGAZINE

It was **resolved** to put the following in the Parish Magazine:

- Liddington Parish Council AGM
- Reminder – Village Clean Up
- New Councillor

17. CORRESPONDENCE

The Parish Council noted that no correspondence had been received.

18. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/FUTURE AGENDA

To receive information on matters not covered elsewhere & to receive future agenda items.

- Allotments

The meeting concluded at 10pm

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