



## LIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on  
**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 at 7pm at Liddington Village Hall**

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

### 1. APOLOGIES

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

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chair reminded all Councillors in attendance of the need to declare any known interests in any matter to be considered and during the meeting if it comes apparent that they have an interest in the matters being discussed.

### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**Resolved:** The Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018 were approved and signed as a true record.

### 4. MATTERS ARISING

Bell Lane Hedges – outstanding

Purley Road Hedges – Adams & Watt confirmed that they had cut back the hedges whilst clearing the footpath alongside the B4192. The kissing gate at the top of Purley Road had also been repaired.

Benches in the playing field – no update

Defibrillator – The Village Hall Committee had given approval to site one of the units on the outside wall of the Village Hall.

Sports Pitch Agreement – no update

Oak tree to commemorate the 100 anniversary of WW1 - Cllr Lomax to meet with the Vicar to agree a suitable location in February. Cost of £116 quoted including delivery and planting. **Action – Cllr Lomax**

Play Equipment – Site survey to take place on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 at 9.30am with a view for installation to commence after 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

Lyden Magazine Project – Cllr Moore informed the group of the decision made at the December meeting, now awaiting comments from Wanborough Parish Council.

Spinney Close Green - Cllr Sumner had received an email on 8<sup>th</sup> December confirming that the Spinney Close acquisition was included in a bundle of similar cases, some of which were contentious. He has requested that it be separated from the controversial transfers and actioned as soon as possible.

Gully clearing/street sweeping – both had been actioned.

### 5. PUBLIC SESSION

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

### 6. PLANNING MATTERS

#### (a) To consider any planning applications:

**Application:** S/OUT/18/1943 (22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019)

**Location:** Inlands Farm, The Marsh, Wanborough, SN4 0AS

**Proposal:** A Hybrid Planning Application for a Science Park and associated works to include full details of 33,507 sqm (GIA) of Use Class B1c (light industrial), with associated access, parking, landscaping and

drainage and an outline proposal for up to 32,281 sqm (GIA) of Use Class B1b (research and development) and up to 16,400 sqm (GIA) B1c (light industrial), with associated access, parking landscaping and drainage (all matter reserved)

The Meeting agreed that an extension of time for comments to be submitted until after the February meeting would be requested and the item deferred accordingly.

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

## 7. WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT

Improvements to M4 J15 work to commence during Summer 2019. As the funding has been provided by the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) which is time limited, Highways England are focussed on delivery of the project.

Meetings had been held with SBC Officers to discuss the design for the 'no right turn' on to Day House Lane. The Officers are also positive with regards to money being available for improvements to Day House Lane to make it more pedestrian, walkers, horse rider friendly.

A Senior SBC Officer writing to all Parish Councils about sharing the cost of a Highways Consultant.

Cllr Sumner left the meeting at 8.15pm

## 8. FINANCE

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

- Chairs Allowance - £75.00
- Clerks Remuneration - £556.25
- Clerks Administration – £43.75
- Clerks Expense Reimbursement (McAfee Internet Security) - £14.98
- Members Expense – Unlimited webhosting 18/12/2018-17/01/2019 - £3.59
- The Play Inspection Company – Annual Inspection - £78.00

**(b)** It was **resolved** to ratify the following payment made between meetings:

- Members expense – Expenses claim - £134.10

**(c)** It was **resolved** to approve payment of the following Standing Order:

- Adams & Watt – Annual grass cutting contract – January instalment - £388.70

**(d) Monthly bank account reconciliation** – The meeting agreed that the bank accounts were in good order.

**(e) Q3 Budget Monitoring**

It was **resolved** to accept and approve the Q3 budget monitoring report

**(f) To agree annual budget and precept for 2019/20**

To continue to maintain the level of service provided and a further reduction in the Council Tax Support Grant Cllr Moore proposed that an increase in the precept was necessary. Cllr Bunney seconded the proposal which was unanimously agreed.

**Resolved:** that the precept be set at £10,209.80, which together with the Council Tax support grant of £455 will make a total income for 2019-20 of £10,664.80.

## 9. VILLAGE MATTERS

**(a) SBC Planning meetings**

**Resolved:** The meeting agreed to requesting a time allocation for Parish Councils comments more proportionate to the complexity of a proposed development e.g. an outline proposal for 300 houses when compared to just 1 house.

**Action – Cllr Moore/Clerk**

**(b) Neighbourhood Plans**

**Resolved** – The Meeting agreed that an email be sent to Robert Buckland in response to the email from Wroughton PC – requesting that he considers supporting the 10 min rule bill proposal by John Howell MP. If this bill is successful it would give neighbourhood plans the weight and credibility that they deserve and may encourage smaller Parish Councils to have one. This would give more emphasis to the achievements of the local neighbourhood plan by using an 18 month housing supply and less to the lack of a Swindon 5-year housing supply.

**Action - Clerk**

## 10. PLAYGROUND INSPECTION REPORT

The Meeting noted that there were a few minor bits needing attention, some of which were already in progress.

**Action Cllrs Bunney/Cripps**

**11. REVIEW OF SWINDON BOROUGH COUNCIL’S CODES AND PROTOCOLS**

**Resolved:** As Item 9(a) is of a similar nature, Cllr Moore to prepare a document as a full response for both to be submitted to Swindon Borough Council. **Action – Cllr Moore/Clerk**

**12. COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM**

As nobody in attendance was able to attend the next meeting to be held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019, time to be confirmed at Broadgreen Community Centre. The Clerk would ask the Councillors that had given their apologies. **Action - Clerk**

**13. SWINDON BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN REVIEW**

Cllr Moore agreed to be the representative to participate in the Local Plan review on behalf of the Parish Council and will attend the meeting to be held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 with the Clerk. **Action Cllr Moore/Clerk**

**14. SAFE DRIVE STAY ALIVE - ROADSHOWS**

The Meeting considered these roadshows to be very important by raising safety concerns with young learner drivers and agreed that whilst they fully endorse and support Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue in providing the roadshows, the obligation is on the Unitary Authority, i.e. Swindon Borough Council, to fully fund this initiative. The alternative suggestion was for the Fire and Rescue Precept to be increased to cover the costs. **Action - Clerk**

**15. COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS**

Playing Field - Cllr Bunney confirmed that he had carried out the fortnightly safety inspections on the play equipment on 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December.

Planning Committee – Cllrs Moore and Wilson had attended the meeting to speak against two planning applications that were being considered.

Rights Of Way Meeting – The Meeting noted that Footpath 12 was to be redirected and confirmed in the minutes of the meeting.

**16. PARISH MAGAZINE**

- Precept for 2019/20
- Science Park Planning Application
- Installation of the Play Equipment

**17. CORRESPONDENCE**

The meeting noted that no correspondence for information had been received.

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

There was no information on matters not covered elsewhere or future agenda items provided.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm

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