



LIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on
Wednesday 1st December 2021 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Councillors Aftelak, Bunney, Hill, Lomax and Wilson
Also Present: Laura Evans (Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES

Resolved: To approve Ward Councillor Sumner's reason for absence (prior engagement) **Resolved:** To approve Cllr Hyatt's reason for absence (unavailable).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Hill declared an interest as the Parish Council's representative on the Village Hall Committee.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved: The Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 3rd November 2021 were approved and signed as a true record

4. MATTERS ARISING (10 MINUTES)

Community Heartbeat Trust – 2 residents have shown an interest in being respondents for the Village. The meeting agreed to placing another article in the Lyden Magazine for more respondents, so the Village has better coverage.

Defibrillator Training- Wanborough Parish Council are happy to hold a joint defibrillator familiarisation session, the Clerk has also contacted Chiseldon Parish Council to see if they wish to participate. A joint article to be placed in the Lyden to gauge interest. Cllr Lomax suggested that the defibrillators need lights for residents to be able to access them should they be needed. Cllr Wilson and Cllr Bunney to look at lighting options.

Action- Cllr Wilson/Bunney

Swing- The beam has been installed and inspected by Cllr Bunney.

Liddington Clump- Cllr Lomax has arranged a meeting with the land owner for 2nd December to discuss the situation of cleaning up the area.

Lyden Magazine- Clerk requested the proposed costs for submitting an article as discussed at November's meeting, the number of houses within the Parish were submitted. Awaiting to receive the figures.

Royal Mail- Cllr Aftelak tried to contact Royal Mail regarding the change to the last post collection from 4pm to 9am, but to no avail. After checking the website this change will be effective from January 2022 and seems to be an environmental and cost cutting exercise. The Parish Council cannot influence this Royal Mail decision. Cllr Aftelak to respond to the resident who raised the concerns.

Action- Cllr Aftelak

Speed Sign- Cllr Lomax emailed Ward Councillor Sumner as requested with the specifics, but no further update has been received.

Allotment Lease- The Clerk chased the Solicitor regarding the lease, to be informed it needed tweaking and confirmation was required of Cllr Lomax's address which was provided. Clerk to keep chasing. **Action- Clerk**

5. PUBLIC SESSION (15 MINUTES)

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

6. PLANNING MATTERS (10 MINUTES)

(a) To consider any planning applications:

Application: S/OUT/20/0160 (1st December)

Location: Land At Foxbridge Village, New Eastern Villages Wanborough Road Wanborough Swindon

Proposal: Outline application for mixed use development comprising up to 358 dwellings and a mixed use hub of up to 1,550sqm (use classes A1/A2/A3/A4/A5 and D1) with associated works. Details of the

access from the Southern Connector Road to be determined with all other matters reserved (Revised details).

Resolved: The meeting agreed that there were no objections to this proposal as it more directly affected Wanborough but Liddington Parish Council would support Wanborough Parish Council with their decision.

Application: S/ADV/21/1727 (2nd December)

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

Proposal: Display of freestanding signage.

Resolved: The meeting agreed that there were no objections to this proposal.

Application: S/LBC/21/1661 (2nd December)

Location: April Cottage , 22 The Green Liddington Swindon SN4 0HG

Proposal: Installation of solar PV panels to garage roof.

Resolved: The meeting agreed that there were no objections to this proposal.

Application: S/HOU/21/1764 (7th December)

Location: 2 Manor View, Liddington, SN4 0HP

Proposal: Installation of 4no. velux roof lights.

Resolved: The meeting agreed that there were no objections to this proposal.

(b) To note any decisions:

Application: S/HOU/21/1437

Location: Elm Croft , Medbourne Lane Liddington Swindon SN4 0EY

Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension - alteration to previous permission S/HOU/20/0946- Granted

Application: S/HOU/21/1539

Location: 2 Manor View, Liddington Swindon SN4 0HP

Proposal: Erection of a rear dormer window- Refused

Application: S/21/1244/JABU

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

Proposal: Erection of an energy compound - Granted

7. WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT (10 MINUTES)

No Ward Councillor report was provided.

8. FINANCE (10 MINUTES)

(a) To approve payment of the following invoices:

- HMRC- Tax Month 07- £41.60
- Liddington Village Hall - £84.00

Resolved: Cllr Hill proposed approval of the invoices, standing order, recurring payment and ratification of the payments made between meetings. Cllr Bunney seconded the proposal and was unanimously agreed.

(b) To approve payment of the following Standing Orders:

- Adams & Watt – Annual grass cutting contract – November instalment- £526.34

(c) To approve the following Direct Debits:

- Three Mobile phone bill - £3.00

(d) To approve payment of the following recurring payments

- Unlimited webhosting – (18/11/2021- 17/12/2021) - £4.50

(e) To ratify payments made between meetings

- Salary November - £167.20
- Kompan – Replacement swing part- £122.40
- Wilts & Berks Canal Trust- £48.00

(f) To receive the monthly accounts reconciliation

Resolved: The meeting noted that the accounts were in a good position.

9. VILLAGE MATTERS (15 MINUTES)

- a) To review and approve the quote provided for Grounds Maintenance Services in 2022/23 – The meeting agreed that the Contract for 2021-22 be forwarded by the Clerk to all Councillors for comparison and a decision be made at the January 2022 meeting.

Action- Clerk

- b) Hedges – The Clerk to write to a resident regarding the cutting of their hedge so access is maintained to the stream. Cllr Bunney to speak to the new owners of The Rectory to see if they, like the previous owners, are willing to take ownership of the hedge on the B419. Cllr Hill raised concerns about the over grown vegetation including what appears to be a tree leaning on the B4192. The Clerk to report to SBC **Action- Clerk**
- c) Vandalism of Signs – Cllr Lomax explained that one of the dog fouling signs between the Church Yard and the playground has been torn down. Article to be placed in the Lyden. **Action- Clerk**
- d) Spinney Close Green Tree- A tree surgeon has inspected the tree and confirmed that the tree is not particularly healthy but is not a danger and advised to remove in the next year or two.

10. DRAFT BUDGET 2022-2023 (10 MINUTES)

To review the draft budget proposal for April 2022- March 2023 – The Councillors were happy with the draft budget, some figures may need to be adjusted. **Action- Clerk**

11. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS (10 MINUTES)

Councillors who have attended meetings on behalf of the Parish Council or who are responsible for local schemes, amenities and projects will have the opportunity to provide an update on progress made.

Allotments (LH)- The water tank has been purchased for the allotment and all rubbish has now been removed.

Playing Field (CB) - Cllr Bunney confirmed that the fortnightly safety inspections had been carried out on 13th and 27th November 2021. Cllr Bunney confirmed that a piece of rubber matting is required around the climbing frame. Clerk to obtain quote from the supplier. **Action- Clerk**

Village Hall Committee (SH)- The Village Hall is very busy with December fully booked for hire.

Town Fund Board (GW)- A recent article was published in the Swindon Advertiser regarding the Town Fund Board. Things are progressing with a timescale of the end of March 2022 for Planning and 2023/24 for completion.

Swindon Local Council Forum (DL & GW) – The Swindon Plan 2022-25 has held no consultation with Parish Councils.

The Inspectors decision for Inlands Farm was due at the end of November but no update has been provided.

12. REVIEW OF IRPP FOR PARISH COUNCIL ALLOWANCES 2022-23 (5 MINUTES)

To consider the recommendation received from Swindon Borough Council.

Resolved: The Councillors stated and agreed that they did not wish to receive the allowances and the situation should continue as currently in place.

13. PARISH DEEDS (10 MINUTES)

Resolved: The meeting agreed that there are a number of elements that either need clarifying or changing in the Parish Deeds. Cllr Lomax to draft a letter detailing the issues and circulate to all the Councillors before forwarding to SBC. **Action-Cllr Lomax**

14. COMMUNICATIONS (10 MINUTES)

Due to the Community Governance Review for 2022-23 not proceeding, Cllr Lomax suggested that a noticeboard be placed in the area of Badbury Park that belongs to the Parish. The current noticeboard in the village could be moved to Badbury Park and a new one bigger noticeboard purchased for Liddington due to the amount of information that needs to be displayed. **Action- Cllr Lomax**

15. DISABILITY ACCESS TO PC MEETINGS

To make the Parish Council meeting more accessible, Cllr Hill to contact the hirer of the hall to see if it is possible to change the times to the booking to allow the Parish Council to meet downstairs. **Action- Cllr Hill**

16. PARISH MAGAZINE (5 MINUTES)

The meeting agreed to put the following into the Parish Magazine

- Vandalism of signs
- Joint Defibrillator Training
- Respondents
- Accessibility to meetings

17. CORRESPONDENCE

The meeting noted that no correspondence had been received.

18. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/FUTURE AGENDA

The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee- to start considering what celebrations are to take place for the Jubilee.

Cllr Lomax thanked all the Councillors for their hard work during 2021.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th January 2022.

The meeting closed at 21:50pm

Signed.....Date.....