



## LIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019 at 7pm at Liddington Village Hall**

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

### 1. APOLOGIES

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

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Lomax 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 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019 were approved and signed as a true record.

### 4. MATTERS ARISING

Oak Tree – has now been planted. Cllr Lomax has investigated a plaque, brass to be mounted on a piece of sarsen stone at a cost of approximately £80. **Action – Cllr Lomax**

Hedge alongside B4192 – Resident has given permission for it to be removed.

Inappropriate parking of vans and vehicles – Clerk had contacted a Planning Officer who was on long term leave. Clerk to pass to Cllr Sumner for progressing **Action – Clerk/Cllr Sumner**

Parish Council Allowances – Clerk to send reminder email to Councillors

**Action Clerk/Cllrs Bunney/Cripps/Hill/Spillane/Wilson**

Great Western Hospital Chief Executive will attend the June 2019 Parish Council Meeting

### 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/17/1990 (18<sup>th</sup> April)

**Location:** Great Stall East, Land south of A420

**Proposal:** Outline planning application (with means of access to the A420 not reserved) for up to 1,700 homes; education provision including a 10-form entry secondary school and a 3-form entry primary school with attendant sports pitches; a sports hub and open space; a park and ride; a local centre up to 1,000sqm including classes A1, A1, A3, A4 and D1 uses; public open space/green infrastructure; new informal and formal recreation spaces and the formation of two new accesses from the A420.

**Resolved:** The Meeting agreed to submit the following comments:

Liddington Parish Council requests that for the construction phase there are detailed travel plans completed to reflect the need to mitigate rat running through the rural villages. For instance if congestion occurs on the A420 due to Great Stall East works, traffic will use alternative routes via the Ridgeway Villages particularly via Bourton, Bishopstone, Wanborough and Liddington through to A419 at Commonhead. It would also be beneficial for the planned Park and Ride to be delivered early to minimise the negative impact during the construction phase.

#### (b) It was noted that no decisions had been made

## 7. WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT

M4 J15 redevelopment scheme, White Hart roundabout and Gablecross Junction upgrade are all due to start around September 2019. Communications to explain mitigation plans during construction works to be held early Summer.

Day House Lane will close for an extended period at the beginning of the J15 works.

Cllr Sumner is no longer the Chairman of the Wanborough Junior Football Club

Due to the lack of progress of SBC organising a Highways Technician to work with the Parish Councils in relation to their Highways issues, Liddington Parish Council to formally write to Cllr Sumner detailing their concerns.

**Action – Clerk**

Cllr Sumner left the meeting at 8.25pm

## 8. FINANCE

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

- Members Expense – Unlimited webhosting 18/03/2019 -17/04/2019 - £3.59
- Adams & Watt – Annual grass cutting contract - £5,743.80 payable in 12 equal instalments of £478.65

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

- Adams & Watt – Annual grass cutting contract – April instalment - £478.65

(c) **End of year account summary for 2018/19**

It was **resolved** to accept and approved the final statement of accounts for 2018/19.

(d) **To formally agree amounts to be identified as Earmarked reserves for 18/19, Projects and Contingency**

**Resolved:** Cllr Wilson proposed £6,000 to be identified as 'Projects' and £12,000 to be allocated as General Reserves. Cllr Moore seconded the proposal and was unanimously agreed.

(e) **Appointment of internal auditor:**

**Resolved:** – The meeting agreed the appointment of Auditing Solutions as the Internal Auditor for financial year 2018/19 at a cost of £145 + VAT.

## 9. VILLAGE MATTERS

The Street – A series of pot holes needed repairing. Photos to be sent to Cllr Sumner **Action – Cllr Wilson**

## 10. SWINDON LOCAL PLAN REVIEW – SETTLEMENT BOUNDARY REVIEW

Due to unforeseen circumstances a short extension of time would be requested from SBC to complete the exercise to review the current Settlement Boundary for Liddington and if required amend and respond to Swindon Borough Council with amendments and corrections. **Action - Clerk**

## 11. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Village Hall Committee – concerns had been raised about the Owl in the Tree outdoor nursery as the separate field at the back of the playing field was no longer available for use, resulting in additional use of the Village Hall and the playing field. A meeting to be arranged with the owner to discuss his plans. **Action - Clerk**

Swindon Area Committee – Cllrs Moore and Wilson had attended the recent meeting where the future relationship with SBC had been discussed due to the Parish Charter being disregarded. The Parish Councils in attendance had agreed that the dialogue between them and SBC should continue as had occurred over several years using the Borough/Parish format.

Community Safety Forum – Liddington Parish Council had hosted the latest meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019. The Police provided an overview of the crime situation across the Borough with a reduction noted in some reported crimes. The schools are currently being targeted due to knife crime and the drug culture. Parking outside of schools is a problem across the area. The next meeting will be held at Coopers Field, Wanborough on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

Playing Field – Cllr Bunney confirmed that he had carried out the safety inspection on the play equipment on 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March.

## 12. PARISH MAGAZINE

The meeting agreed to put the following in the Parish Magazine:

- Great Western Hospital CEO to be guest speaker at the June meeting
- The Annual Meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019

**13. CORRESPONDENCE**

The meeting noted that the following correspondence had been received:

- Friends of the Ridgeway – Annual Report 2018

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

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

The Meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Signed .....

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