

LIGHTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the The Annual Parish Meeting of Lighthorne Parish, held on Saturday 10th April 2021 at 6pm, by zoom.

Present: Cllrs M. Langhorn (vice chair), R. Stanford, B. Middleton and N. Shedden.
District Cllr C. Mills. 5 members of the public.

LPC wished to express its condolences to the Queen and her family for their loss.

1. Apologies for absence. WCC Cllr C. Williams. Cllr A. Smith (chair)

2. Minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting (2019)

It was agreed that they could be accepted. Unanimous.

3. Matters arising from those minutes. None.

4. Report from Cllr. A. Smith, Chairman

The link to the report which was summarised by Cllr Langhorn. Highlighted thanks to Alan and Hermione Archer for all their hard work.

<http://www.lighthornepc.uk/meetings/LPC%20Parish%20Meeting%202021-04%20-%20Chairman's%20Report.pdf>

5. Report from District Cllr. C. Mills

Cllr Mills reported on SDC's work during the Covid Pandemic, aid distribution and advice for grants etc. The green bin charge has now come into force, £40 per year. Our area currently has one of the lowest R rates and fatalities re: Covid.

6. Report from County Cllr. C. Williams

Reminder that Bishops Hill / Wellesbourne Road will be closed for re-surfacing 20th to 23rd April. WCC elections in May.

7. Reports from any Parish Organisations

None received.

8. Any matters raised by electors of the parish present

Residents present indicated that the regular update in the Parish magazine was a welcome and effective way of keeping the Parish updated.

The timely publishing of the minutes of meetings was also appreciated.

An email had been received from a resident expressing concern about increased traffic through the village due to GLH – Cllr A. Smith had indicated that he would contact the Chair of Meriden PC for advice, as they had successfully reduced the speed limit through the village to 20mph.

The issue of a village welcome pack was raised (this used to be produced and delivered by the church to all new residents but had not been done in some years). Given the large number of new residents in the village and Covid it was hoped that this welcome pack could be put together for new residents. To be discussed at the May LPC meeting. The clerk indicated that she would be happy to put such a pack together on behalf of LPC.

The awful state of the grass verge along School Lane was reported – this has deteriorated significantly, not least due to the additional traffic on School Lane. It was reported as a health and safety issue, amongst other concerns raised. To be considered at the May LPC meeting.

The feasibility of putting a light inside the bus shelter had been noticed in recent minutes. Concern was raised about such a light: there is a lamp post on the green directly opposite which luminates the area; there are no buses at night; and, it was increase the light pollution. For these reasons LPC was asked not to install such a light. Concerns were noted and reassurance that it was nothing more than a feasibility enquiry at this stage.

Thanks was given to all Councillors for all of their hard work.

9. The meeting was closed by Cllr Langhorn at 6:45pm