

LIGHTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of The Ordinary Meeting of Lighthorne Parish Council – Held at Lighthorne Village Hall
On Tuesday 14th December 2021 At 7.30pm

PRESENT: Parish Councillors: CLLR SMITH (Chair), CLLR LANGHORN (Vice Chair), CLLR STANFORD, CLLR SHEDDEN, CLLR KNAPTON and CLLR MILLS (SDC & WCC).

IN ATTENDANCE: Three members of the public.

1. **Apologies**

Cllr Middleton due to travel overseas.

2. **Declarations of interests and consideration of dispensation requests**

Cllr Stanford declared an interest in all matters pertaining to road safety at the junctions of Farrier's Way and Bishops Acre with the C96 Wellesbourne Road.

3. **Acceptance of minutes from November**

The minutes of the November meeting were accepted and agreed.

4. **Public Participation**

A resident attended to express concern about the number of deer killed on our roads. The question was asked whether or not signs warning of deer can be put in the locations known locally for deer crossings. Also questioned whether or not there is someone other than the RSPCA to whom deer strike may be reported. Cllr Mills reported that the only body who accept reports of injured deer is the RSPCA, reporting of a dead animal to be removed is WCC – Cllr Smith will post links to these details on the website. If we did wish WCC to investigate suitable locations there would be a non-refundable deposit of £500, which would be subtracted from the cost of the signs if we went ahead. A map of suggested locations would need to be provided together with the fee. Cllr Smith to investigate further. *Carried forward.*

5. **To consider allowing a marquee to be placed on the Pavilion Green for a Wedding on 24th September 2022**

It was resolved that the risk of field damage, and the risk of detrimental impact on LPC's paying tenants at the Pavilion, means that regrettably the request is refused. *Item closed.*

6. **To agree the budget and allocate reserves for 2022**

It was resolved that the budget and reserve allocation would be as set out in the spreadsheet prepared by Cllr Smith and available on the website. *Item closed.*

7. **To agree the precept for 2022**

It was resolved that the precept will remain the same as for 2021. *Item closed.*

8. **Ongoing earth movements at Hill Farm**

In response to our request, earth movements have reduced and the mud on the road has been cleaned. *Item Closed.*

9. **Matters arising from the minutes and previous meetings**

a) **Safe path to the Sports Ground**

Discussions are ongoing with the land owners over the detail of the permissive path agreement. Cllr Smith will continue his efforts to secure the safe path. *Carried forward.*

- b) **Extending the 30mph speed limit beyond Oberry Fields**
Cllr Langhorn is pursuing the completion works. The extent of the speed limit has been agreed by both WCC and the Police. It is now with their legal department. *Carried forward.*
- c) **Working parties to assess pot holes, trees, verges, drains etc**
The pavement on Mountford Rise (odds) has been deemed to be in no worse state than the other pavements in the village. The blocked drain has been reported. *Item closed.*
- d) **Tackling speeding in and through the village**
Cllr Smith will be attending a meeting regarding the “20’s Plenty” campaign. This will be reviewed following that meeting. *Carried forward.*
- e) **Speed Survey**
45 responses were received. The clear preference was a speed activated sign. A note will be placed in the next Parish magazine with a summary and a link to how to obtain copies of the results. Cllr Langhorn will liaise with WCC to see what traffic calming measures are available and obtain a professional opinion. Item to be covered under ‘tackling speeding through the village’ hereafter. *Item closed.*
- f) **Street party for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee 3rd June**
The fact of the street party has been publicised. A planning committee has been put together and their first meeting will be at the end of January. *Carried Forward.*
- g) **David Wilson Homes**
There has been correspondence requesting consideration of funding a new bus shelter for the village. This is being considered. *Carried forward.*

10. Planning

- a) **Applications for comment since last meeting**
 - i. 17/03370/FUL Verney Close, garages Retain 1 garage
 - ii. 21/02539/VARY Land North of Moreton Morrell Lane
 - iii. 21/03742/FUL Stone House Extension – support
- b) **Decisions to note since last meeting**
 - i. 21/03450/AGNOT Hill Farm Withdrawn
 - ii. 21/03323/TREE Stoney Bottom Granted
 - iii. 21/03396/TREE Windrush Granted
 - iv. 21/01221/FUL Curacy Farm Granted
 - v. 21/03322/TREE Willowbrook Granted
 - vi. 21/03456/TREE Hill Cottage Granted
 - vii. 21/03428/TREE Stone House Granted
- c) **Enforcement**
No current enforcement actions.

11. **Parish Council Reports** – To receive reports on:

- a) **Playground** – An annual inspection has been booked and due to take place early January 2022.
- b) **GLH meeting January 2022** – Cllr Smith will attend the meeting. Clerk to provide more information re: POS proposals between Lighthorne and Lighthorne Heath for the January LPC meeting ahead of the GLH meeting. Cllr Langhorn will attend a WALC meeting on public rights of way which clashes with the GLH meeting.

12. **Reports from Ward Representatives of SDC and WCC** – available on website

13. **Financial Administration**

- a) **Lighthorne cash book balances as of 12th December 2021**
 - i. Current account £15,772.14
 - ii. Allocated reserves account £17,501.24
 - iii. Total £33,273.38
- b) **Income since last meeting**
 - i. December rent from Pavilion Café £690.00
 - ii. Christmas tree refund £50.00
- c) **Expenditure since last meeting**
 - i. Clerks wages 30 hours @ £13.78 £413.40
 - ii. EON £98.10
 - iii. Nick Jenvey – grass cutting 1/2 November £355.00
 - iv. Grant to PCC £400.00
 - v. Village Xmas Tree £50.00
 - vi. Mugs for Queen’s Jubilee £498.72
 - vii. Data Protection Fee – annual £40.00
 - viii. Stephen Brooks – Hedge Cutting £156.00
- d) **Agreeing accounts for payment**
 - i. Village Christmas tree £39.99

14. **Correspondence**

A resident complained about the mud being left on the road by developers on Moreton Morrell Lane – developer has responded indicating that there will be frequent road cleaning from now on, and other measures put in place to try and stop mud being deposited on the road to such an extent. A resident has purchased a village Xmas tree following on from the news that the Xmas tree trail could not go ahead – agreed to reimburse the £39.99 spent.

15. **Other reports and items for future agendas**

None

16. **Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 11th January 2022 at 7:30pm.

MEETING CLOSES at 8:53pm