

LIGHTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of The Ordinary Meeting of Lighthorne Parish Council - Held at Lighthorne Village Hall -
On Tuesday 8th March 2022 At 7.30pm

PRESENT: Parish Councillors: CLLR SMITH (Chair), CLLR LANGHORN (Vice Chair), CLLR MIDDLETON and CLLR SHEDDEN.

IN ATTENDANCE: One member of the public.

1. **Apologies**

Cllr Stanford, Cllr Knapton and Cllr Mills.

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

Cllr Middleton 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 February**

The minutes of the February meeting were accepted and agreed.

4. **Public Participation**

Concerns have been raised by numerous residents about the marketing material for Home Farm, suggesting that there was plenty of street parking on School Lane etc. Whilst LPC do not endorse irresponsible sales pitches, unless and until any planning application for change of use is submitted, there is nothing LPC can do. LPC will keep a keen eye on the matter.

Item Closed.

5. **To consider changing to new water provider**

It was resolved to remain with the existing provider. *Item closed.*

6. **To consider subscribing to WALC**

It was resolved to renew our annual subscription. *Item closed.*

7. **To consider subscribing to Parish Online**

It was resolved to subscribe to the service, it is free to LPC. *Item Closed.*

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

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

Text of the Permissive Path Agreement is finalised. Consistent regular pressure is being applied to the solicitor to get the PPA signed and in force so that work on the safe path can begin. *Carried forward.*

b) **Extending the 30mph speed limit beyond Oberry Fields**

The legal work is stated as still being outstanding at WCC, quoting end of April at earliest for completion – Cllr Langhorn will pursue completion of the scheme. *Carried forward.*

c) **Tackling speeding in and through the village**

WCC are awaiting the new financial year to progress any proposed measures. *Carried forward.*

d) **Street party for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee 3rd June**

Events have been advertised online, by a village wide leaflet drop and in the Parish magazine. Numerous volunteers have come forward and the event is in hand. *Carried forward.*

- e) **David Wilson Homes**
David Wilson homes consider the bus shelter replacement scheme beyond their budget. Clerk following up to see what other village schemes they might wish to invest in (e.g. additional parking at the Pavilion). *Carried forward.*
- f) **Deer signs**
A quote for signs to attach to existing street furniture provided at £232.32. It was resolved to request WCC to proceed. *Carried forward.*
- g) **To consider allowing a children’s football team to play on the ‘football pitch’ at the far side of the pavilion outfield**
The football coach would be looking at the season commencing September 2023 if it was pursued. The issue of resolving drainage issues to be dealt with regardless of the football team, as the pitch is an LPC asset to be properly maintained. Farm services to be instructed to locate and clear the existing drain. The Clerk to apply for a grant to reinstate the pitch as a football field for village use. *Carried forward.*
- h) **To consider improving and increasing the parking capacity at the pavilion**
A scheme to provide up to an additional 13 spaces being looked into. Cllr Smith is meeting a representative from Western Power regarding removing a redundant pole. Quotes to be obtained thereafter. A square of hard standing at the end of the parking with a basket ball hoop to be looked into as part of the scheme. *Carried forward.*

9. Planning

- a) Applications for comment since last meeting
 - i. 22/00669/DDT Inglenook Cottage Dangerous Tree
- b) Decisions to note since last meeting
 - i. 21/03742/FUL Stone House Granted
 - ii. 21/03410/FUL Bishops Farm Granted
 - iii. 21/02539/VARY Land off MM Lane Granted
 - iv. 21/03944/FUL Hill Cottage Granted
 - v. 21/00229/TREE Southview Granted
- c) Enforcement
None

10. Parish Council Reports – To receive reports on:

- a) Playground – Inspection has taken place – no issues. Clerk authorised to purchase a new litter bin.

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

12. Financial Administration

- a) **Lighthorne cash book balances as of 8th March 2022**
 - i. Current account £18,029.97
 - ii. Allocated reserves account £17,081.67
 - iii. Total £35,111.64
- b) **Income since last meeting**
 - i. VAT refund from HMRC £2,399.12
 - ii. March rent from Pavilion Café £690.00

- c) Expenditure since last meeting**
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| i. Wadsworths Solicitors – Safe path | £245.00 |
| ii. Mid Fosse Parish Magazine annual charge | £200.00 |
| iii. Clerk’s wages – 30 hours @ £13.78 | £413.40 |
| iv. AED – Defibrillator service | £198.60 |
- d) Agreeing accounts for payment**
- i. None

13. Correspondence

- a) An email has been received expressing concern that the development on Moreton Morrell lane was outside of the planning permission – this was a misunderstanding and has been resolved.
- b) PCSO Allen has contacted LPC to ask whether we would be involved in a quarterly meeting in Wellesbourne to discuss police matters – it was resolved that we would support the initiative and send a councillor to each meeting.

14. Other reports and items for future agendas

- a) None

15. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 12th April 2022 at 7:30pm.

MEETING CLOSES at 8:42pm