



LOCKING PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of a Meeting of Locking Parish Council held on Thursday 2nd February 2017 at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall, Grenville Avenue, Locking

Meeting opened: 7:30pm

Meeting closed: 9.10pm

Present: Councillors: Bill Bearsby (Chairman), Mike Cooper (Vice Chairman) Peter Lacey, Elfan Ap Rees, Wendy Ashdown, John Keate, C Blinco, Shaun Washington & Margaret Cooper.

Also in attendance: The Clerk and 8 MOP

MATTERS FOR DECISION

- C178) To receive Apologies for absence and to approve reasons where appropriate.**
Apologies received and accepted from Cllr C Dumbell, Cllr P Fowler and Cllr M. Taylor
- C179) To receive Declarations of Interest by PCllrs and to consider any written applications for dispensations.** None received.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- C180) To receive and hear any person who wishes to address the Council, upon prior notice being received:**
- a) District Cllr/Liaison Officer Report – A report was given by Cllr Ap Rees concerning amending the Strategic line between Locking, Hutton and Weston Super Mare in order to have clear boundaries and stop development.
 - b) St Modwen/GVA No planning updates worthy of mention.
 - c) Police report – PC Dave Eastham gave report. Recorded crimes for January were 6. Regular patrols have been conducted around Russell Avenue and Cranwell Road. Also patrolled around Primary School to deal with parking issues.

MATTERS FOR DECISION

- C181) Minutes:**
To receive and confirm the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 5th January 2017.
- RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 5/01/17 (previously circulated), be taken as read, agreed as being a true and correct record and as a consequence, signed by the Chairman of the meeting. With the amendment of Cllr L Mason not being a volunteer for the Project Initiation Document (PID). (C167)
- C182) Finances:**
- a) To receive and approve monthly expenditure for January 2017
- RESOLVED:** That the monthly expenditure be authorised. (*Signed by Cllr Mr M Cooper*)
- b) To receive and note the Bank Reconciliation for December 2016 – **NOTED** (*signed by Cllr Mr M Cooper*)
 - c) To receive and agree any Grant applications. None received.
 - d) To confirm receipt of Precept by NSC. Confirmed.

e) To agree membership gift to CPRE. **RESOLVED:** Proposed and seconded that a gift of £40 be made. **CARRIED.**

C183) Regular Reports: To receive and note the following regular reports:

- a) **ALCA:** Nothing to report
- b) **CPRE:** Cllr C Dumbell sent an electronic report stressing the benefit of the Parish retaining a doctors practice in the village and that a new practice be established as soon as possible on Locking Parklands. Mary Adams (Patient and Public Engagement Manager NSC) should be informed of this need.
- c) **PC Committees and working parties:** No reports.
- d) **Winterstoke and Locking Parklands Stakeholders:** Report received from Cllr Mr M Cooper on meeting held on the 18th January which was circulated. There will be changes to the roundabout at Morrisons. Construction commence this year. The bridge over the A371 will probably be removed before the new signalised crossing is operational. We will expect them to install a temporary push button crossing. The offices are occupied providing 49 jobs. The construction of the School is delayed. The Radio Wing is open.

C184) Planning:

- a) **Elm Grove Nursery** – To receive any updates with regard to the proposed development and agree any appropriate action: Cllr W Bearsby said that we wanted the Section 106 monies, however we didn't want the development.
- b) **Playing Field** – Transferred to agenda item 24.
- c) **Mod 19 Consultation:** LPC to object LPC believes that an increase in vehicular if granted would constitute road safety issues, because of the already hazardous junction with the A371. This road is also opposite the exit from Locking Village an extremely busy junction.

RESOLVED: Proposed and seconded that LPC strongly object and reply by 3rd February.
CARRIED.

- d) **4 Byron Close, Locking – Planning Ref: 17/P/0155/F.** No comments to be made
- e) **Land at School House, The Green, Locking – Planning Ref: 17/P/0161/F.** LPC to strongly object with thanks to Cllr C Dumbell for producing the objection letter. A MOP has sent in a private objection.

RESOLVED: Proposed and seconded that LPC send a letter strongly objecting to this Planning Application. **CARRIED**

C185) Parish / Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr Mr M Cooper reported that they had the initial meeting and have been given tasks to carry out.

C186) IT Issues, Website & Internet Access: Update. Cllr P Lacey reported that the LPC Laptop was working well. Broadband has been upgraded. New computer hardware is to be delivered on the 15th February. Website to be update after this stage.

C187) LPC owned street lights: Update. Cllr P Fowler and Clerk to carry out an Audit. Clerk to then obtain quotes.

C188) Spinney: Update. There were no reported accidents. It was decided to take off next Agenda.

C189) Parish Hall Lighting: Update: Clerk to obtain quotes for changing to LED.

C190) Parish Hall Future: Clerk reported that two quotes were received for the valuation of the Parish Hall. To be discussed at next Hall & Park Committee meeting. Clerk to obtain quotes for raising floor.

C191) Training: Update: Councillors from Winscombe & Sandford to be invited as well as Hutton, Kewstoke and Banwell. Final numbers to be submitted to ALCA ASAP.

C192) To consider letter from Locking Primary School dated 20th January re continued unauthorised entry onto Forest School Area Field, and agree way forward. It was Item 15 & 18 to be dealt together. The main concern was the fence around the pond. A fence on the playing side of the pond has fallen down. Most of the time the pond is dry. Cllr P Lacey asked who was responsible for the fence. Cllr W Bearsby said that the fence was on LPC land. To be carried over to next Full Council meeting.

C193) To consider request from Cllr Martin Taylor for a sabbatical from LPC of up to 6 months.

RESOLVED: Proposed and seconded that a sabbatical period be agreed for 6 months starting from 2nd February 2017. **CARRIED.**

C194) Cllr Resignation: To accept resignation from Cllr Trudi Beaman.

RESOLVED: Resignation accepted.

C195) Fencing around the pond in the Playing Field: To discuss dangerous state of fencing. To be discussed with agenda item 15.

C196) New proposed parking off Grenville Avenue: To discuss making contact with Alliance Homes and agree next steps. Cllr W Bearsby said that the land may belong to North Somerset Council and needs to be confirmed. Needs to be investigated because of underground services. A formal request will be carried out in writing.

C197) To discuss engagement with Sustainability and Transformation Plan across BNSSG and agree the submitting of initial comments. An email was received and circulated from the Patient and Public Engagement Manager regarding developing ideas how we can create a sustainable future for the local NHS. We are invited to get involved in the ongoing development. Cllr Mr M Cooper wants us to be kept informed because of proposed cuts. Clerk to send letter regarding medical facilities in Parklands and Councillors to keep watching brief.

C198) Looking @ Locking: To agree date for next issue.

RESOLVED: Start collecting input in March and publish in April. Clerk to send list to Councillors for review.

C199) Clerk's Report, Correspondence & Items for next Agenda: To receive the Clerk's report and note any correspondence received since the last meeting that is not on the Agenda.

PART II

C200) Exclusion of the press and public: *(The Council is recommended to resolve that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the agenda item/s below by reason of the confidential nature of the item/s of business to be transacted, in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960)*

C201) FC Locking: It was proposed that we communicate with FC Locking.

There being no further business the meeting Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm

Signed (Chairman).....

Date.....

**The next meeting of Locking Parish Council will be at 7:30pm in Locking Parish Hall on Thursday
2nd March 2017**