



LOCKING PARISH COUNCIL



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

Meeting opened: 7:30pm

Meeting closed: 9.40pm

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

Also in attendance: The Clerk and 1 MOP

MATTERS FOR DECISION

- C178) To receive Apologies for absence and to approve reasons where appropriate.**
Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Shaun Washington
- C179) To receive Declarations of Interest by PCllrs and to consider any written applications for dispensations. Cllr John Keate – Agenda item 16**

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 received from Cllr Elfan Ap Rees. HCA representative for Weston has now taken responsibility for Locking Parklands as well. Met with drainage officers regarding Moor Park extra drainage and suggested that a site inspection should take place.
- b) St Modwen/GVA A verbal report was received from Peter Stockall stating that the North South Link road was on track. The School was at the tendering stage for costings.
- c) Police report – PCSO gave a report which was circulated at the meeting. 5 crimes recorded during February. Regular patrols taking place to deal with anti-social behaviour. Evening patrols have also been increased.

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C181) Minutes:

To receive and confirm the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 2nd February 2017.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 2/02/17 (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.

C182) Finances:

a) To receive and approve monthly expenditure for February 2017

RESOLVED: That the monthly expenditure be authorised. (*Signed by Cllr Paul Fowler*)

b) To receive and note the Bank Reconciliation for January 2017 – **NOTED** (*signed by Cllr Paul Fowler*)

c) To receive and agree any Grant applications. None received.

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

- a) **ALCA:** Nothing to report
- b) **CPRE:** Cllr Cliff Dumbell stated that no meeting was held in February.
- c) **PC Committees and working parties:** Nothing to report.
- d) **Winterstoke and Locking Parklands Stakeholders:** Cllr Cliff Dumbell stated that there was a unanimous decision from Locking Parklands Stakeholders to meet on a regular basis.

C184) Planning:

- a) **Elm Grove Nursery** – Nothing to report
- b) **Other Planning Matters:** Concerns were raised regarding hedges been removed in the Bury. Cllr Elfan Ap Rees stated the NSC were in investigate.

C185) Parish / Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr Mr Mike Cooper stated that there was nothing new to report at present.

C186) IT Issues, Website & Internet Access: Update. Cllr P Lacey reported that most of the equipment has now been installed. Problems have occurred with internet access since we upgraded to fibre. Cllr Elfan Ap Rees suggested that we write to the Chairman of our provider and claim compensation. Order for the Website is to be placed as agreed.

C187) LPC owned street lights: Update. Cllr Paul Fowler carried out a survey. Clerk to obtain quotes for replacing 10 lights as agreed.

C188) Parish Hall Lighting: Update. Clerk to obtain two quotes which will be discussed at the next Hall & Park meeting.

C189) Parish Hall Future: Update. Clerk has obtained two quotes for the valuation of the hall which will be discussed at the next Hall & Park meeting.

C190) Internal Auditor: To confirm Internal Auditor for year end 2017 accounts.

RESOLVED: Agreed that Philip J Smith be reappointed as Internal Auditor.

C191) A371 Speed Limit: To discuss the possibility of requesting that the speed limit be reduced to 30MPH. Cllr Paul Fowler raised concerns regarding safety. Cllr Elfan Ap Rees stated that NSC were looking at this issue and is under constant review.

C192) Disaster Recovery Locking Primary School: To consider a request from L P School to have use of LPC facilities in an emergency.

RESLOVED: Agreed. Proposed seconded and Carried.

C193) Banner: To consider a request from Locking Pre-School to erect a banner on the fence outside PH. Clerk to find out what the banner is for and to give us a copy of design.

C194) To consider a letter from Locking Primary School dated 20th January re continued unauthorised entry onto Forest School Area Field, and agree way forward (*Carried forward from last months Council meeting*). Cllr W Bearsby stated that according to NSC the pond belonged to LPC. It was agreed that the fence should be replaced. Cllr Peter Lacey stated that there was a security

problem between the School property and the Field at present. Can only be replaced in conjunction with FC Locking as they hold they Lease the land.

RESOLVED: It was Proposed seconded that LPC write to FC Locking giving them 21days to repair fence. CARRIED

C195) 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.

Clerk reported the full extent of email and internet problems incurred during almost all of February. Clerk reported on all the work that was carried out during the month of February.

PART II

C196) 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)*

C197) a. FC Locking: After discussion it was decided to write to FC Locking again with a view to our concerns regarding the Lease.

b. Pre-School

1. To discuss request for extra hours and correspondence received. Council are reviewing Hall bookings.

2. Baby and Toddler Group: To discuss and if necessary take any action. Council have decided to request required information.

c. Hall Charges: To review hire charges and make decisions as required. Council have decided to transfer discussion to Hall & Park Committee for a decision and report back to Full Council.

d. To discuss correspondence received from Clerk. Council decided to review situation after November 2017.

There being no further business the meeting Chairman closed the meeting at 9.40pm

Signed (Chairman).....

Date.....

The next meeting of Locking Parish Council will be at 7:30pm in Locking Parish Hall on Thursday 6th April 2017