



LOCKING PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of a Meeting of Locking Parish Council held on Thursday 8th March 2018 at 7:30pm in The Radio Wing Locking Parklands, Locking

Meeting opened: 7:30pm

Meeting closed: 8.58pm

Present: Councillors: Mike Cooper (Chairman), C Blinco (Vice Chairman) P Lacey, P Fowler, J Keate, L Mason, E Ap Rees, W Bearsby, Mrs M Cooper, C Dumbell, S Washington, W Ashdown & M Taylor.

Also in attendance: The Clerk and 12 members of the Public (MOP) were present

MATTERS FOR DECISION

C195(17-18)) To receive Apologies for absence and to approve reasons where appropriate. None

C196)17-18) To receive Declarations of Interest by PCllrs and to consider any written applications for dispensations. Cllr C Dumbell item 11, Cllr J Keate item 8a, Cllr P Lacey item 8c.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

C197(17-18) To receive and hear any person who wishes to address the Council, upon prior notice being received. Lorna Romans requested if a Festival could be held in the Park on the 11th and 12th May with car parking been made available from the School.

a) Police Report – Report received and circulated. In the last month there were 3 recorded crimes in the Village. Cllr C Dumbell asked PCSO if we could have a report showing the difference in crimes compared with 12 months ago.

b) District Cllr/Liaison Officer Report – Cllr E Ap Rees gave a report: He is to raise issues with NSC to ensure that the bridge over the A371 should stay in place until a crossing is built.

c) St Modwen / GVA – Report received and was circulated before the meeting: Working through comments on phase 12 application. Starting to look at layout for former Moss Land reserved matters applications and other phases on parklands.

C198(17-18) FC Locking: Update from FC Locking representative and action as required. A report was received from FC Locking – Kim Sweeting will be taking over representing FC Locking from Kirk Jones. Regular meetings with LPC are working well with a wide range of issues been addressed. Next meeting with LPC is on the 12th March

MATTERS FOR DECISION

C199(17-18) To receive and confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 1st February 2018.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Council meeting held on 1/02/18 (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.

C200(17-18) Finances:

a) **To receive and approve monthly expenditure for January 2018. NOTED** (Signed by Cllr J Keate).

b) **To receive and note the Bank Reconciliation for December 2017. Agreed** (signed by Cllr J Keate)

c) **To receive and agree any Grant applications.** A Grant application for £200 was received from FC Locking for installing dog fouling signs. **Agreed**

C201(17-18) Regular Reports: To receive and note the following regular reports:

- a) CPRE – The next meeting is to be held on the 12th March.
- b) PC Committees & Working Parties – A report was received from Cllr Mike Cooper from a meeting to consider sites for provision of extra parking near the Parish Hall. It was recommended that suitable matting be installed on 2 grass areas identified. Some form of fencing would also be required.
- c) Locking Parklands Stakeholders – The next meeting will be held in May. Meeting regarding the provision of School in Locking Parklands to be held on the 21st March in the Radio Wing.
- d) Winterstoke Stakeholders – Meeting on the 27th February 2018 was cancelled.

C202(17-18) Planning:

- a) **17/P/5572/OUT Land at 5 Bartletts Way, Locking.** LPC objects to this proposed development. Clerk to write to Principal Planning Officer with objections.

LPC OBJECTS to the proposed development as it is not in accordance with both the development plan in force for the area (the statement made in public notices posted by NSC Planning) and the relevant sections of the recently received Planning Inspectorate Report on the NS Sites and Policies Plan Part 2: Site Allocations Plan 2006 - 2026.

LPC is pleased to note that the applicant has retained, from his previous development proposal, the proposed footpath for children crossing from the designated new traffic light junction on the A371 to The Spinney, and that he has included an enhanced planted area to supplement the existing established wooded area between the proposed development access road and the A371.

LPC also notes that there have been mixed responses from parishioners - both for and against the scheme. If North Somerset Council is minded to approve the application, LPC would request it be made subject to the following conditions -

(A) The Highways Department being satisfied that the access to the development along Leafy Way does not compromise the safety of pedestrians and schoolchildren using the Public Footpath between The Spinney and Manor Court shops.

(B) The Highways Department being satisfied that the access way to the development (on the site of No5 Bartletts Way) is of a width and style which is appropriate to serve a development of 8 units of the size proposed, and that the narrow strip to the right hand side of this access way is satisfactory as a pavement to give safe passage for adults and children. NB It is not clear from the illustrative drawing forming part of the application, as to whether the access way is to be a private cul-de-sac to be maintained by frontagers or whether the way is to be constructed to NSC standards and adopted by them.

(C) The capacity/design of the services for the development being such as only suitable for the 8 units proposed and not enabling a future application for further development to take place in the field to the left of the subject site.

(D) The closing to vehicular traffic of the present accesses onto the A371 in the NW and NE corners of the site - in the interests of traffic and pedestrian safety given the close proximity of both accesses to the new N/S Spine Road traffic light controlled junction. The applicant will retain access to the woodland in the NE corner of the site via The Spinney.

(E) The Highways Department agreeing with the applicant a satisfactory arrangement for site ingress/egress for construction vehicles during the development process, in order to ensure pedestrian and schoolchildren safety.

b)17/P/5614/FUL Land at Locking Head Drove, Locking. No objections other than concerns regarding the movement of materials around the site during construction.

c)18/P/2245/RM Land to the North of Russell Road, Reserved Matters.

We note the details of site layout etc for the new Primary School. However, we remain very concerned about the lack of on-site parking for other than teaching staff, and the consequent likelihood of extensive kerbside parking and dropping off/collection of children at start/end of school day on Russell Road - a through road residential areas and the N/S Spine Road. The end of the school housing the proposed nursery fronts the Spine Road itself and has no on-site parking serving it, compounding the issues for child safety - and we can see no scheme for traffic calming or safe routes to/from school proposed. More than this, we can see no dedicated on-site space for coach access and turning - what is proposed as this is essential given the school location next to the Local Retail Centre and the Spine Road. It was agreed that LPC should make this comment to NSC.

d) 18/P/2206/FUH 1 Trenchard Road, Locking. Single story extension - No comment

e) NSC Site Allocations Plan. Noted - It was agreed that we should endorse NSC on this plan.

f) APP/DO121/W/17/3184845 Land at and adjoining Weston Business Park, Laneys Drove.
LPC object to the housing element of the planning application and it was agreed that LPC would appear at the appeal on the 24th April 2018.

g) Gladmans advert regarding Elm Grove Nursery – Council to decide on their response. LPC to encourage members of the public to respond the advert regarding Elm Grove Nursery. LPC are displeased that they were not informed that the advert was going to be put out. Clerk to write to Gladmans.

Post meeting note: Chairman wishes to thank the PWG for their input regarding the above matters.

C203(17-18) Projects update and action as required:

Street Lighting 12 lanterns have been replaced leaving 1 to be replaced on this order.
3 quotes have been received for the repair of concrete outside Parish Hall
A window in Parish Hall is to be replaced at a cost of £350.

C204(17-18) To consider a request to purchase land in Locking owned by LPC. It was AGREED that the Land will NOT be sold. (*The Playing Field*)

C205(17-18) St Augustine's Church – Discuss and decide and respond as appropriate to letter received. LPC support the Church's application for a lottery grant for repairs to the tower.

C206(17-18) A371 Safety issues regarding North South Link Road: Review current situation and respond as required. LPC fully support the School with their concerns. LPC are aware of difficulties regarding the issues concerning the construction of the North South Link Road.

C207(17-18) Clerks Report, Correspondence & Items for next Agenda. Clerk's Report: To receive the Clerk's report and note any correspondence received since the last meeting that is not an item on the Agenda.

Next Agenda – A371 Safety issues
Race night

Annual Parish Meeting is to be held on the 26th April at 6.30PM

There being no further business the meeting Chairman closed the meeting at 8.58pm.

Signed (Chairman).....

Date.....

The next meeting of Locking Parish Council will be at 7:30pm in Locking Parish Hall on Thursday 5th April 2018.