

# LODDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Loddon Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017  
at 7.00pm in The Library Annexe, Loddon

**Present:**

David Bingham	(DB)	
Sarah Colman	(SC)	Chair
John Coupe	(JC)	
Gary Knights	(GK)	from 7:35pm
Ray Lumley	(RL)	Vice Chair
Michael Roe	(MR)	
Paul Clemence	(PC)	
June Strickland	(JS)	
Margaret Wallace	(MW)	

**In Attendance**

Colin Gould	(CG)	District Councillor
Howard Keeling	(HK)	Finance & Projects Officer

## WELCOME

299 Everyone was welcomed to the meeting and confirmed that no-one wished to record the meeting.

## APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

300 Were received from J Bussens, S Garrett, B Stone and A Panella.

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

301 MR declared an interest in Agenda Item 7b, Planning Application 2017/2260, as an owner of a neighbouring property.

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2017

**Resolved:** to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>TH</sup> October 2017.  
Proposed by DB, seconded RL. All in agreement.

## MATTERS ARISING

302 Bollards outside fast-food restaurants: NCC have only provided verbal confirmation that this work will be undertaken shortly but provided no time scales. Agreed regular 'chasing' is now required as LPC paid for this work two months ago.

**HK**

## REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

303 Statue on Pyes Mill: CG advised that South Norfolk Council are considering relinquishing responsibility for the care and maintenance of the statue. CG to notify South Norfolk that Loddon Parish Council would be happy to assume this responsibility.

## PLANNING

- 304 A) 2017/2348: Land adj to Willowdale Barn, Mundham Road: erection of two buildings (or one building with annexe, or holiday let and annexe) with matters reserved to include access, layout and scale. Approve, Proposed PC, Seconded JS
- B) 2017/2260 plus Listed Building Consent: 2 Beccles Road: change of use from self-catering holiday let to residential and replacement of window with a door. Rejected based on concerns regarding the impact on the heritage of the site and apportionment of the garden not being in keeping with the property. Proposed MR, seconded MW, supported by RL, DB, JC
- C) 2017/2392: 25 High Bungay Road: Amended plans for Extension and alteration works. Approve, Proposed MR, seconded RL

## PUBLIC FORUM

- 305 The Kirby Cane Parish Clerk, Jane Love, emailed Loddon Parish Council on 5/10/17 requesting support in respect of the speeding issue on Bungay and Dulls Roads. The Parish Council were asked what support they could offer. HK to forward Jane's email to Councillors. **HK**
- 306 Barry Stone had previously advised that Norfolk County Council were looking to install speed awareness signs on this road. Email confirmation to be distributed to councillors. **GK**
- 307 War Memorial readiness for Remembrance: The loose stone steps surrounding the memorial have been fixed and cleaning has commenced in readiness for the 11<sup>th</sup> November service. SC to confirm with Andrew Carver that cleaning/weeding will be completed in advance of the 11<sup>th</sup>. **SC**
- 308 HK to advise CG when South Norfolk were asked to tidy and clean up the area in Church Plain car park and the Church Yard in readiness for the Remembrance services. **HK**
- 309 Footbridge behind Loddon Marina: The Broads Authority and/or Norfolk County Council are to be chased for an update on the repair of the bridge. **HK**
- 310 CG to contact Richard Bacon MP regarding the George Lane roundabout following up on the letter sent by the Parish Council on 23<sup>rd</sup> August. HK to provide CG with copy of original correspondence. **HK**

### FINANCIAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

311	LBPT	Quarterly Rent	£1,215.52
	Saffron Housing Trust	Garage rental	£52.00
	EON	Electricity Pyes Mill	£3.42
	Panelgraphic	Freedom of Loddon Plaque update	£72.00
	Dragon Securities	Annual Maintenance Cover fee	£102.00
	See The Difference!!!	Toilet cleaning	£1,714.14
	David Greeves	October Salary	£220.85
	Anne Panella	October Salary	£1,026.57
	Howard Keeling	October Salary	£520.53
	HMRC	October Contributions	£258.46
	Norfolk Pension Fund	October Contribution	£324.54
	TalkTalk	Telephone & Broadband	£39.70
	Loddon Garden & DIY	Grounds Maintenance	£800.08
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£6,349.81</b>

#### 312 Invoices Received after dispatch:

Roberts & Son:	Stationary	£86.40
Adept IT Solutions:	IT Support	£21.60
South Norfolk Council:	Grounds Maintenance	£11,790.00
Npower Ltd:	Electricity (Staithe Toilets)	£254.80
Npower Ltd:	Electricity (Church Plain Toilets)	£102.99
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>£18605.60</b>

**Resolved:** to approve all the expenditures above. Proposed RL, seconded DB, all in agreement

#### 313 Provision of Litter Bins at the Staithe:

The proposal from South Norfolk Council to install 8 litter bins on Loddon Staithe to replace the recently removed wheelie bins was rejected. The Parish Council felt that the proposed litter bins, for which the Parish Council would have to pay, are unsuitable for the general household waste that is generated by boat users and that this would result in rubbish bags being left beside the bins. An alternative proposal is to be made to South Norfolk Council: that either skip bins are provided or bins that can at least accommodate household rubbish bags.

**Resolved:** Proposed SC, seconded MR, all in agreement

**HK**

#### 314 Precept: first Draft was presented.

315 Parish Councillors to meet on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at 7pm to prepare second Draft. Electronic copy to be distributed in advance of meeting.

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### LODDON MARINA/PYES MILLS/BROADS AUTHORITY

316 The proposal from South Norfolk Council that the Parish Council take on management responsibility for Pyes Mill was rejected. An alternative proposal that South Norfolk retain responsibility for the mooring, but that Loddon Parish Council fund the SLA with the Broads Authority was approved.

**Resolved:** Proposed SC, seconded PC, all in agreement

**HK**

## REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

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- i. Following significant public concern expressed via online forums and local press the Police reversed the decision to withdraw their officers from the Remembrance Parade on 12<sup>th</sup> November. The parade will therefore proceed as in previous years with SC laying a wreath at the Memorial on behalf of the Parish Council.
  - ii. Data Protection Training for all members of the Parish Council and Council Officers is confirmed for 25/01/18. The training will also be attended by 10 members from Chedgrave Parish Council.
  - iii. SC and RL completed half year performance reviews with AP and HK.
  - iv. GK, CG, SC, RL and Chedgrave Parish Council have been working with Loddon Utd. FC to try and resolve the contract issues with the Jubilee Hall which has resulted in access to the changing rooms being withdrawn from the football club. Both Loddon and Chedgrave Parish Councils remain committed to the retaining of the football club within the village.
  - v. GK was proposed as the new Loddon Parish Council representative on the Jubilee Hall Management Committee. **Resolved:** Proposed MW, seconded SC, all in agreement
  - vi. The new policing module announced by Norfolk Constabulary will see the loss of 150 PCSO's, to be replaced by 81 PC's and 16 civilian staff. Locally, South Norfolk will lose 7 PCSO's who will be replaced by 2 sergeants and 3 PC's. All Police Public Enquiry Offices will close with the exception of Kings Lynn, Norwich and Wymondham.
  - vii. CG has requested a definitive list of street lights from Bob Wade that SNC are currently responsible for and advised that the lights surrounding Davy Place and Saxon House must be retained given the vulnerable nature of the local residents. More information is needed from SNC on the number and cost of replacing aged or faulty street lights that they are proposing to handover to the Parish Council before a decision can be made in respect of this proposal. **HK**
  - viii. Complaints have been received about the number of leaves on the Church Plain car park and a collapsed grating at the entrance. **HK**
  - ix. The update to the Parish Council Facebook page is 75% complete, administrator access is to be granted to SC, DB and AP
  - x. Despite repeated reports the litter bin on the corner of Kittens Lane and Crossways terrace remains broken. To be reported to SNC again. **HK**
  - xi. The playground inspection completed on 20/10/17 noted the need for some planking to be replaced on the multi-play platform and the removal of some protruding screws. HK to arrange with A.Carver **HK**

## SIGNIFICANT CORRESPONDENCE and agree any necessary actions

318 None

## DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

- 319
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Agenda items to Clerk by 5<sup>th</sup> December
  - Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Agenda items to Clerk by 4<sup>th</sup> January

The meeting ended at 10:20pm