

LODDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Loddon Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 11th October 2018 at 7.00pm in The Library Annexe, Loddon

Present:
David Bingham (DB)
John Coupe (JC)
Peggy Fulleylove (PF)
Ray Lumley (RL)
Michael Roe (MR)
June Strickland (JS)
Steve Swanson (SS)
Margaret Wallace (MW)

In Attendance
Howard Keeling (HK) Finance & Projects Officer
Anne Panella (AP) Parish Clerk

WELCOME

183 The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and confirmed that no-one wanted to record the meeting.

184 The recent death of the former County Councillor, Adrian Gunson, was noted. A minute silence was held as mark of respect.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

185 Were received from Gary Knights, Paul Clemence, Sophie Garrett and Colin Gould. Barry Stone also did not attend.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

186 JC declared an interest in part of Item 9b, decision regarding hire charge for the Chernobyl Children's Lifeline charity.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2018

Resolved: to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 13th September 2018. Proposed by SS, seconded RL. All in agreement.

MATTERS ARISING

187 War Memorial: the repointing of the paving will commence next week and be completed in time for Remembrance Sunday. The bin behind the seat is unlikely to be moved but suggested that the plastic liner (which created noise in the wind) be removed for the service.

TO RECEIVE, FOR INFORMATION, REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

188 No reports were provided

PLANNING

- 189 a. 2018/2140: 12 Filbert Road Raise the canopy by removal of lower limbs/tip back branches, tidy the limbs on mature Oak to ensure tree is balanced on all sides
- b. 2018/2148: 13C Beccles Road Single storey extension and associated works
- c. 2018/2134: Hales Hall Formal car park for 100 vehicles on site of existing car park

Resolved: to approve the above applications but query measures that will be in place at Hales Hall and possible archaeological artefacts. Proposed by RL, seconded by MR. All in agreement.

- 190 The following application has been approved
- a. 2018/1634: 8 Beech Close: Demolition of garden brick wall and construction of 2-bay timber frame detached garage/workshop

PUBLIC FORUM

- 191 George Lane Roundabout: a member of the public confirmed he had spoken with John Fuller, Leader of SNC, who confirmed that new plans for the roundabout have been approved by NCC, funding is in place and work will commence in January 2019. Seek confirmation from Highways and/or District and County Councillors. **AP**
- 192 Land at Garden Court: noted that this was to be amenity land but seems not to have been registered correctly and was sold. The area regularly floods badly and a planning application for 4 dwellings has been refused in the past.
- 193 Public Footpaths: confirmed that the documentation to confirm the footpath from the High Street, behind The Swan and to Sale Court has been provided to NCC. These applications can take many months, sometimes years, to be decided. Evidence Forms for the now closed permissive path behind the church have been received and will be processed shortly.

FINANCE REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

194	K J Williams	Repair tennis court wall	£1195.00
	Eon	Electricity - Pyes Mill	£7.38
	LBPT	Office Rental	£834.66
	Saffron Housing Trust	Rent - Garage	£52.00
	Leslie Lipton Ltd	Skate Park 2 nd payment	£44,829.72
	PHS Group	Sanitary Services	£1663.57
	LPC Staff	September Salaries	£2011.58
	Norfolk Pension Fund	September Contribution	£337.08
	HMRC	September Contribution	£306.51
	Howard Keeling	GoPak Tables for Rear Hall	£521.54
	Howard Keeling	Replacement toilet fascia	£85.65
	nPower Business	Electricity (Staithe Toilets)	£54.34
	TalkTalk	Telephone & Broadband	£44.28
	See The Difference!!!	Toilet cleaning	£1552.78
	PFK Littlejohn LLP	External Audit fees	£480.00
	BNP Paribas	Photocopier rental	£351.00
	Anne Panella	Paper towels for office toilet	£17.60

Howard Keeling	Spares keys for Annexe	£12.00
Howard Keeling	Mileage expenses	£7.20
Loddon Garden & DIY	Grass cutting	£2044.96
South Norfolk Council	Business Rates LPC offices	£178.00
South Norfolk Council	Business Rates: Staithe toilets	£570.00
Inty Ltd	365 Subscription	£11.28
Eon	Electricity at Pyes Mill	£6.59
	SUB-TOTAL	£57,174.72

- 195 Invoices received after despatch:
 Freestyle/Leslie Lipton Skatepark 3rd Payment: £66,228.34
GRAND TOTAL £123,403.06

- 196 In addition, the following expenditure was approved for the coming month:
- £75.00 to paint the shower cubicle
 - £260.77 for two new tables

Resolved: to approve the above payments. Proposed by JS, seconded RL. All in agreement

- 197 Confirmed that:
- all S106 monies have now been received from SNC and used for the skatepark
 - VAT claim for £20,000 has been submitted
 - LPC will likely have to claim for repairs to the tennis court wall as Aviva are unable to trace any record of the incident been reported by their policy holder

- 198
- a. To receive and approve the Annual Governance & Accountability Return
 - This was noted and no further comments made
 - b. To review and confirm the Hiring costs for the Annexe
 - The hire costs were approved. Agreed that for 2019 Cherynobl Charity charge be increased to £200 for the four weeks in June 2019
 - c. To agree and sign the Tenancy at Will for the LPC offices in the Library Annexe
 - Noted that no signs can be attached to the building, as at present, and Tenancy signed
 - d. To agree date for informal meeting to discuss Precept requirements 2019/20
 - Monday 12th November at 7.00pm

SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

- 199 Agreed to accept the quotation, £3,646.00, in full for inclusion the 2019/20 Precept. Application for half the costs to be submitted via the NCC Parish Partnership Scheme. **AP**

Resolved: to accept the Quotation and include half the cost with the 2019/20 Precept. Proposed by MR, seconded by RL. All in agreement.

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- 200
- a. MW attended the AGM of the Jubilee Hall but in capacity as a resident, not as a parish councillor

- b. Official opening of the Skatepark to be considered: notices in papers, radio and on website. Liaise with Tree Warden re: planning of trees by school students
- c. MW attended the official opening of the Chedgrave war memorial/lychgate; Royal British Legion provided standards from several local branches. A time capsule was buried beneath the gate.
- d. Pollinator project: MR is liaising, and will provide updates, with local environmental groups trying to establish a 'pollinator' corridor along the Chet, for bees and butterflies, whereby land such as the Loddon Allotments, land on the A146 and Chedgrave Common could be used for the planting of wild flowers. Norfolk Homes in Poringland have provided a piece of land to start the project; the BA is providing a grant.
- e. Noted that our County Councillor does not regularly attend LPC meetings and often do not always receive updates on local issues which are of concern to residents.
- f. DB responded to an enquiry from the EDP regarding the impact of the bank closure on the local economy and residents.
- g. Large plastic poppies will be displayed along the church footpath from 17th October in preparation for Remembrance Sunday

POLICE

- 201 The report was received today and noted. It was noted that youths have been accessing the area behind the now empty Church Plain toilets and causing intimidation to people walking in this area, particularly at night. Police have been informed.

TO RECEIVE LIST OF SIGNIFICANT CORRESPONDENCE

- 202
- a. Loddon Responders: further clarification to be sought on when DBSs are to be renewed to enable all Loddon volunteers to participate in the group **AP**
 - b. The Staithe: water tap has been vandalised and the footpath is very overgrown. SNC have been informed
 - c. Footbridge to Pyes Mill: the BA have commenced work; the access path has been moved into the Marina property (with their permission). Noted that the four metres of fencing will be insufficient to ensure the cows remain in the field
 - d. Rowing boat: this abandoned boat was reported to SNC; live-aboards appear to be moving between Langley and Loddon to avoid the Ranger. In addition, if boats are not licensed or insured the BA has the authority to impound the boat but it is acknowledged that many of the owners have no funds to pay any fines so confiscation is no longer the first response
 - e. Land on Old Market Green: this went to auction at reserve of £10K with no offers. Understand it will be re-auctioned with a lower reserve.
 - f. Blue chairs in Library Annexe: these are the property of the LBPT but they no longer require them. To include a sum in the Precept for replacements. **HK**

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

- 203
- a. Thursday 8th November. Agenda items to Clerk by 30th October
 - b. Thursday 13th December. Agenda items to Clerk by 3rd December

The meeting ended at 8.45 pm