

**MINUTES of the MEETING of LOPPINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2014 at 7.30pm in Loppington Village Hall**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs. Mrs. T Barton, J Beard, P Butters, S Geary, S Hardin (Chairman), B. Parker, R. Stokes and Mrs S Witherspoon  
Also present Mrs L McCormack - Clerk

**1. APOLOGIES:**

None

**2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

All members are asked to consider their position regarding the agenda items.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> January were approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION.**

4.1 Potholes at Commonwood still have not been completed, there is mud on the road and the culvert on Commonwood road is blocked. Shropshire Council is hoping to get extra money to fund repairs. Mud from farmland is the landowners responsibility. Concerns are raised as a child has fallen off his bicycle.

4.2 Flood at the end of Salters Lane has been reported to Severn Trent

4.3 Loose animals reported on the roads, Cllr Geary will contact the owner.

**5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE JANUARY MEETING.**

Reference minute 11.1 Clerk to check who did cut the hedges at Brown Heath and Burlton Road.

**6. FINANCIAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

**6.1** Members received and accepted the Bank reconciliation which had been checked and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

**6.2 Authorised Signatories**

Now updated and address changed.

**6.3 Accounts for Payment**

6.3.1 P Mountford Grass Cutting £349.20; Fee for planning seminar £30.00; Village News sponsorship of PC pages £160.00; Village Hall hire £13.00

APPROVED

(2) Cost of hire of Village Hall for meetings has gone up to £16.00 for next year

**7. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

Marie Curie Cancer Care requested assistance to support one to one nursing care & support

for carers free of charge for terminally patients in their own homes. The service is available and used in the local area offering palliative care to terminally ill patients, and support and guidance to their families. After some discussion the committee voted (5 for 3 against) a contribution of £100.00.

APPROVED

## **8. PLACE PLAN REVIEW**

Committee agreed that the status of Broadband provision should be a priority

## **9. PLANNING MATTERS**

### 9.1 New applications.

Reference: 14/00256/FUL (validated: 29/01/2014)

Address: Bentley Farm, Loppington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5SL

Proposal: Construction of a poultry shed and ancillary buildings and hardstanding (Phase 1 of 3)

Applicant: Bentley Growers Ltd (Bentley Farm, Wem, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5SL

Reference: 14/00257/FUL (validated: 29/01/2014)

Address: Bentley Farm, Loppington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5SL

Proposal: Construction of a poultry shed and ancillary buildings and hardstanding (Phase 2 of 3)

Applicant: Bentley Growers Ltd (Bentley Farm, Wem, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5SL

Reference: 14/00258/FUL (validated: 29/01/2014)

Address: Bentley Farm, Loppington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5SL

Proposal: Construction of a Biomass Store alongside poultry sheds (Phase 3 of 3)

Applicant: Bentley Growers Ltd (Bentley Farm, Wem, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5SL

The Committee considered and agreed the response to the planning applications. Clerk to submit the response raising concerns in respect of highways and environmental assessment.

### 9.2. Applications received after 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014. (if any)

Reference: 14/00330/FUL (validated: 06/03/2014)

Address: 19 Charleston Way, Loppington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5US

Proposal: Erection of an attached single garage

Applicant: Mr Josh Smallbone

PC has no objection to this application.

### 9.3 Applications commented on since the last meeting:-

Reference: 14/00559/TCA (validated: 06/02/2014)

Address: Meadow View, Loppington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5ST

Proposal: To fell one Sycamore tree within Loppington Conservation Area

Applicant: Mr. Jeffrey Beard

LPC had no objection to this application

DECISION 5/3/2014 No Objection

#### 9.4. Determined since the January Meeting.

13/04663/VAR (validated: 19/11/2013)

Address: Charleston Way, Loppington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire

Proposal: Variation of Condition No. 2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 09/70203 to allow for amendments to the approved street scene

Applicant: Hawk Developments (Charleston House, Cruckmoor Lane, Prees Green, Whitchurch, Shropshire, SY13 2BS)

PERMISSION GRANTED 17/01/14

Reference: 13/04282/VAR (validated: 23/10/2013)

Address: Charleston Way, Loppington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire

Proposal: Variation of Condition No.2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 09/70203/FUL to allow substitution of plots to create a better layout through the site

PERMISSION GRANTED 17/01/14

#### 9.5 Links to applications are posted on LPC website

#### 9.6 Community Infrastructure Levy

First amounts of infrastructure money collected as a result of the introduction of CIL in 2012 will be distributed with the precept in April. LPC has identified key areas for spending in the Place Plan but has not identified any priority spending. Cllr Beard and the Clerk attended a seminar on CIL on 3rd March. £311.83 has been allocated to Loppington PC and should be ring fenced for local infrastructure spending.

### **10. HIGHWAYS**

10.1. Hedges & Trees – No new matters to date

10.2. Potholes – New potholes from Noneley down to Brandwood Farm.

10.3 Clerk to check what has happened with the culvert at Ruewood.

10.4 Clerk to check what has happened with road safety issue at Burlton Grange

10.3 Road Safety Policy – No further requests under this policy to date

### **11. ANNUAL REVIEWS**

Review of Council documents ongoing. No changes made. Clerk will continue to use Mr Spragg as internal auditor.

### **12. INSPECTIONS OF COUNCIL PROPERTY.**

1. War Memorial and fencing – no further issues
2. Burlton bus shelter – needs repainting
3. Burlton Notice Boards. - No issues
4. Pump and fencing – needs painting
5. Tan Pit and fencing – no issues
6. Notice boards Loppington – needs painting

### **13. REPORTS OF MEETINGS.**

13.1 NSAC – report received.

13.2 LJC – changing roll of LJC as there will be no funding. Members will still meet to provide a discussion forum

13.3 Planning Seminar – report received

13.4 CIL Seminar – CIL funding allocated. This needs to be managed in accordance with Shropshire Council procedures to ensure compliance with CIL regulations. Project management is a new roll for clerk

13.5 Patient Representative Group - Cllr Beard attends Clive Practice Group meetings.

### **14. CONSULTATIONS**

14.1. Shropshire Council is starting a 12 week consultation on a Commissioning Strategy for the local authority. A link to the consultation document, an online survey and further information is below:

<http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/shropshire-council/commissioning-working-together-better-service,-better-value/commissioning-strategy-consultation/>

Please note the deadline for responses is Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2014

(More information at Area Committee)

14.2 No consultations received after 4<sup>th</sup> March

15. No matters arising from Annual Parish Meeting

### **16. INFORMATION MATTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE - Discussion Not Required Unless You Wish.**

16.1. Crime statistics – One theft was reported in December in Salters Lane area; none for January. Crime figures can be viewed at <http://www.police.uk/west-mercia/PAF14/crime/>

16.2 Copy letter received from Brandon Lewis MP to all principal council leaders about council tax support funding for parish councils

16.3 The Local Audit and Accountability Act received Royal Assent on 30th January 2014

16.4 Western Power Distribution (WPD) has just launched their Community Chest grant scheme. Community groups within WPD's distribution area, which serves the Midlands, South and West Wales and the South West of England, can apply for grants of up to £1000, in order to pay for simple but effective energy efficiency improvements to not only reduce their energy costs but also reduce the carbon emissions of the buildings they use for their activities

16.5 Letter from Ann Howls received thanking PCs for their support; Baschurch Fire Station will not be closed

16.6 Baschurch Allotment Association has allotments available and are offering these to residents of Loppington this will be published in the Village News and on the website

16.7 There are a variety of links on LPC website News page regarding youth activities, Sport England & outdoor recreation

## **17. DIARY DATES.**

Presentation on Youth Boards, 25th March, 6pm – 8pm at Wem Town Hall

Baschurch Parish Council reception 14<sup>th</sup> March 2014 7:00pm at Timmis Farm Shop

NSAC next meeting 4<sup>th</sup> April 2014

Planning Seminar 24<sup>th</sup> April 2014 - Shirehall if anyone wishes to attend (cost £10)

Next LPC meeting – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014