

# Loddiswell Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held online due to the Covid 19 restrictions. Meeting took place at 7.30pm via Zoom on Tuesday 2nd March 2021

**PRESENT:** Cllr Peter Sheard (Chair), Cllr Paul Harvey (Vice Chair) Cllr Derek Brooking, Mike Hine, Cllr Malcolm Dicken, Cllr Martin Widger, Cllr Emma Sweet, Cllr Francis Baker, Cllr Mike Hine, Cllr Ian Satterley  
County Cllr Rufus Gilbert, District Cllr Kate Kemp

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr Emma Hemmins

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Fiona Stace (Parish Clerk)

**MINUTES:** Minutes from this meeting will be agreed in principal and signed at the next attended meeting.

## **Standing Orders Suspended: Public Participation and to receive reports from Cllr Gilbert and Cllr Kemp**

### **Item no:**

**1947: Matters Arising from last months Minutes:**

**1948 Policing Matters**

No crimes reported in the month of January 2021

**1949 Public Comment**

No members of the public attended the meeting

### **VAS Data Report:**

No report this month. Cllr Dicken has handed over the VAS responsibility to Cllr Baker, as he has moved from the village and can no longer collect the data. LPC gave thanks to Cllr Dicken for setting up the data and for his reports over the last year.

**1950 County Cllr report - Rufus Gilbert**

DCC is a founding and principle partner of the Devon Climate Emergency (DCE) initiative and has signed the Devon Climate Declaration which commits to working collaboratively with partners, which is now starting to be done via a consultation draft interim.

Devon Carbon Plan.£1.3M extra has been allocated for 21/22 budget with £600,000.00 for pot holes and drainage plus £100,000.00 for work on maintenance of street furniture and a further £600,000.00 to top up the £1.5 M given to District councils emergency fund last summer.

So far this financial year, we have used 50% more salt on the highways network totalling 15000 tons. Devon Highways budget is £28M which is about £100,000.00/day to maintain the 12,966km of roads.

DCC has 65 farms totalling 9555 acres

Cllr Gilbert is continuing to do all he can re road closure from Rake to Knapp Mill and will get back to LPC when he has more news, however wish to add that it is a very complex matter. Cllr Gilbert has asked Highways for a full written report to include maps, which states clearly what needs doing and by whom.

The pot hole was repaired outside the Spar after my robust intervention with highways and will be properly patched as soon as possible

Cllr Gilbert notes Mr and Mrs Brooking's concerns regarding the playing fields planning application. Clerk to forward the other letter of concern. It was mentioned that there will be a discussion taking place between DCC and SHDC regarding the planning and amount of houses to be built there, but there is nothing concrete as yet. Planning is already in progress and will be hard to challenge, but Cllr Kemp will be doing her best to push the fact that it is the last Open Green Space in the village as well as many other contributing factors as to why at least some of the space needs to be kept as a green area. The Ecology report is out of date and there are more concerns over wildlife. More details given on the planning response in item 1954

## **1951 District Cllr report - Kate Kemp**

All members attended a briefing about the new Super Recycle Service, which is to be rolled out in phases from 1 to 5, starting with the more Urban areas. The 1<sup>st</sup> phase begins on March 8<sup>th</sup>, when the new boxes will be delivered with instructions for use immediately, to be ready for collection the following week.

There will be plenty of leaflets and social media posts, as ever check the website for further details, or call Cllr Kemp if you feel you may struggle with the new system.

01803861168 Please leave a message with your name and number; Cllr Kemp will get back to you.

FULL COUNCIL was on the 11<sup>th</sup> of FEB and centred mainly on the Ivybridge regeneration project, members have voiced their concerns regarding borrowing 9 million, to 'build an Aldi to lease to Aldi', the council is quite split over the project, myself and other members also raised concerns over a lack of consultation of the wider community from the start.

On that note, a recommendation was passed allowing members more time for questioning Officer Recommendations, during Committee Meetings.

The other ongoing issue raised was the amount of litter in the laybys and hedgerows right across the district, which Cllr Kemp is in discussions with Head of waste about. Solutions will hopefully be forthcoming soon.

### Lateral Testing for COVID-19 Locations

- Leonards Road car park in Ivybridge
- Cattle Market car park in Kingsbridge
- Park and Ride car park at Dartmouth
- Follaton House car park in Totnes  
This is in addition to the current NHS mobile testing unit that is using Cattle Market car park in Kingsbridge.
- Follaton House is to be recommissioned as a vaccination centre, which is sensible as it is well situated in the South Hams, with parking and an easy one way system can be organised. This proposal is yet to be finalised.  
It is estimated that this could double the rate of vaccinations in the area

If you're interested in understanding what the Joint Local Plan is and how it is delivering the adopted strategy, then you may wish to listen in to the Joint Local Plan Partnership Board AGM on Thursday, 25 February 2021 at 2.15pm.

This is the first AGM of the Board and all elected Members from across the three Local Planning Authorities have been invited.

You can watch the live stream using the links below:

[www.engagement.southhams.gov.uk/](http://www.engagement.southhams.gov.uk/)

[www.youtube.com/user/SouthHamsCouncil](https://www.youtube.com/user/SouthHamsCouncil) [www.facebook.com/southhamsdistrictcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/southhamsdistrictcouncil)

## PALM OIL

There are issues surrounding Palm Oil discharged legally from ships at sea! Check out the leaflet on the Parish Website, it is dangerous for dogs and wildlife to ingest, and in some cases, it has been fatal. Wembury and Dartmouth were recently effected. Please do report on the website if you come across large quantities, and maybe try to stop using products with Palm Oil in them.

### 1952 Public Pathways

Again, Cllr Dicken has now moved from the village and whilst he hopes to remain as a councillor with a small business here, he can no longer keep the responsibility of Pathways Warden. Cllr Harvey has agreed to take over the position, and we thank Cllr Dicken for all his dedication and hard work over the years. We also thank Cllr Harvey for taking on the new role.

The annual survey for DCC has been completed and returned so we hope for a full grant again this year. Thanks to Cllr Brooking who checked the path by the Fish Farm and reported that a gate needs replacing. There has been some correspondence over the ploughing of the fields at the top of Towns Lane, leaving no footpath as they have been ploughed right up to the edge. Cllr Harvey will speak with the land owners to resolve.

### 1953 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Satterley has been in consultation with My Neighbourhood Plan, who will be doing a 'health check' on the plan so far, making sure that all legal requirements are met. Soon after, the plan will be in its final stages before production.

### 1954 Planning

**0293/21/FUL** Nissen Hut, The Vinery, Loddiswell TQ74EF: Replacement dwelling following class Q approval ref 2773/17/PDM planning consent 4336/17/FUL and 0625/20/FUL - **No Comment**

**0276/21/HHO** 28 Beechwood Park, Loddiswell, TQ74BY: Application to extend kitchen **Cllr Brooking declared an interest: No Comment**

**3752/19/OPA** Former school playing ground, Elmwood Park, Loddiswell TQ7SA: Re advertisement (amended description) outline application with some matters reserved for residential development of 17 dwellings. **Objection for the following reasons:**

LPC objected last time the planning was applied for against 25 houses. It was firmly suggested 10-15 would be more than enough remembering that the Neighbourhood Plan clearly indicated, by the villagers following a survey, does not need any more housing nor does it need affordable housing.

There will be more parking issues in the village and the entrance to the estate is in question also.

The ECO report is out of date and it is unclear as to what ECO considerations are in place - there are no details on the plan.

This is the last Open Green Space in the village and there are endangered species living in there.

The school is already at full capacity and the local doctors surgeries full.

No building and road design layouts shown

**0406/21/CLE** Hatch Arundell, Loddiswell, TQ74AJ: Certificate of lawfulness for existing GSHP heating system - **Support**

## Sub Meeting

**0528/21/FUL** Woolston Farm TQ74DU: Provision of agricultural livestock building - **Objection due to there being no planning for slurry disposal. Also, does the planning mean Higher Woolston Farm as it is not mentioned?**

**0545/21/FUL** land north of Wigford Lane, Loddiswell: Construction of building and yard to be used for storage, processing and distribution of timber / fire wood with associated works, new access and landscaping - **Support**

**1955**

### **AOB**

- a) Digital 30mph sign - Clerk to write to the local school and see if they can design something to go on the post on the main road by the village hall
- b) Street lighting from Elmwood: WPD own all electricity networks and would have to design a quote based on the village needs. The parish council would pay the energy used on an unmetered agreement. Action: clerk to look at solar powered lighting.
- c) VHPFT: Cllr Sheard and Cllr Satterley met with the trust as it has been suggested LPC take control of all their affairs. LPC would be in support of this, as long as the village was also in support. In the interest of the village, both parties feel that by selling the Village Hall and moving the pre school, as planned, into the primary school, and, by getting rid of the existing pre school building, a new building could be built giving the village a community centre. This is only UNDER NEGOTIATION and no further discussions will take place until there is an understanding of the legal process. Cllr Sheard will contact the Primary School to clarify plans for relocating the Pre School. It was noted the current contract to host the Pre School in the existing building ends in September 2022
- d) Highways request to move the VAS sign: They are concerned that the flashing lights will distract drivers, however LPC have responded stating that the positioning was discussed at full length before placement and that they have no plans to move it.
- e) Planning to school field, objections from the parishioners: Mentioned in the planning section. Concerned have been added to the planning objections. LPC thank those who have taken the time to write to them regarding this matter.

### **1956 Added at the Chairs discretion:**

There has been an email regarding the heavy slabs by the well. They have been tampered with AGAIN and therefore need re setting to avoid any accidents. This is petty crime and unnecessary costs to the village. Cllr Hine to take a look

**1957**

<b>Balance at start of meeting</b>	<b>£67,163.39</b>
a) F. Stace - clerks wages & disbursements	- £388.30
b) Richard Barney Maintenance	- £354
c) HMRC	- £255.60
d) Public works loan repayment for allotments	- £1463.58
e) External Audit	- £240
<b>f) Balance at close of meeting</b>	<b>£64,461.91</b>
S106 amount stands at	£6,172.47

There being no further business, the Vice Chair closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

Signed ..... Dated .....

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th April 2021 - venue to be discussed. Those who wish to attend should wear a face mask and keep a sensible distance from the person next to them. OR if the meeting is

virtual, you will need to email the clerk with your email address for a login code. If you have any questions you would like to put forward to the Parish Council, please email the clerk at the address below. Members of the Public and Press are welcome to attend and take part at the start of the meeting.

The Clerk

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