

Loddiswell Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting which took place at 7.30 on Tuesday 5th April 2022 in the Loddiswell Congregational Hall

PRESENT:	Cllr Peter Sheard (Chair), Cllr Francis Baker, Cllr Mike Hine, Cllr Martin Widger, Cllr Matthew Cross, Cllr Derek Brooking, Cllr Lara Webber, Cllr Sophie Elliot Smerdon, County Cllr Rufus Gilbert, District Cllr Julian Brazil standing in for Cllr Kemp
APOLOGIES:	District Cllr Kate Kemp, Cllr Paul Harvey (Vice Chair), Cllr Ian Satterley
IN ATTENDANCE:	Fiona Stace (LPC Clerk), 2 Members of Public
MINUTES:	Minutes from last months meeting were signed by the Chair.

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

Cllr Sophie Elliot Smerdon was welcomed to the Parish Council and all legal forms were signed and witnessed by the Clerk

Item no:

2068: Matters Arising from last months Minutes:

Nothing to report

2069 Policing Matters

- February 2022: 1 criminal damage or arson on or near Village Cross Road. Investigation complete, no suspect identified.

2070 Public Comment

- 2 members of the public attended.
- 1 was for the Loddiswell Re Wilding report update:
- The website is now up and running: www.wildaboutloddiswell.co.uk with over 50 members already
- The insurance has been organised and paid for
- Bulbs have been planted on the Courtledge
- Open day was a great success
- 17th & 18th June there will be a Bio Blitz: intense survey involving anyone who wishes to join in with trying to observe as many different pieces of wildlife as possible.
- Bat walk and moth walks will also be taking place around this date.
- 1 member of the public requesting a tree or trees to be planted in memory of her daughter. Fruit trees were suggested near the primary school so that children could benefit from them with their learning. LPC will get back to them IF they can suggest a suitable position.
- Also it was mentioned that there is a rat problem at Virginia Cottage. SHDC have been informed as there is a shed attached to the house full of rubbish. Rat traps are down however the rubbish needs to be collected - Clerk to speak with SHDC about it and cc Cllr Brazil who will follow it up.
- The Old Post office houses planning stated that they would be housing for the elderly, however the first one has been sold as a second home and is now advertised on Air BNB. Cllr Brazil said it depends largely on covenants and developers written statements but he will look in to it and update LPC. Also, the house built in Well Street should have been a bungalow and is a 2 storey building. They have also taken down the orchard that was there and a Devon Bank. Cllr Brazil will do some research.

VAS Data Report:

Cllr Cross is still mastering the VAS. There is a lot of data that needs to download from the VAS, but he is making headway and hopes to give a full report at the APM next month.

2071 County Cllr report - Rufus Gilbert

DEVOLUTION DEAL FOR DEVON PLYMOUTH & TORBAY.

- 1) We are one of ten areas in England to be chosen.
- 2) We have been economically underperforming for years.

3) We are now negotiating a Devolution Deal that:

- a) Does not require a Mayor
- b) Operates with existing local govt structure.
- c) Requires a combined authority

Functions are: Housing, Skills/employment, public transport, LEP existing functions, prosperity.

- Q from the Chair: What are the benefits:
- A Cllr Gilbert: It will improve the economy, skills and employment and transport. It is better to work together than against one another.

There is no deal until a deal is done.

Hoping to conclude negotiations by winter 2022 and operational by April 2023.

An initial template has now been submitted to government.

FREEPORT / FREEZONE.

- 1) Will bring up to £100 Million investment and up to 3500 jobs.
 - 2) Relations/negotiations between DCC, Plymouth & SHDC going well.
 - 3) Submission/Business Case to Government imminent.
 - 4) Involves 130 hectares of land at S.Yard, Langage and Oceansgate.
 - 5) It is important to demonstrate these are new jobs and not existing ones transferring in.
- Funding for the deal: DCC £14.2 million
SHDC £14.62 million
Plymouth £10.61 million
 - Cllr Gilbert will update LPC with any new details on the Old School Playing fields for opportunities to possibly plant trees there.
 - Cllr Gilbert mentioned the resurfacing in Loddiswell. Full report under AOB

2072 District Cllr report - Julian Brazil

- Apologies for Cllr Kate Kemp and well wishes from everyone for her speedy recovery.
- Brown bins are back to being collected WITHOUT food waste - garden waste only
- Talks around possibly cutting collection of the brown bins between October and March, also possibly charges will be instated £40 - £50 per year per household.
- Cllr Brazil visited the recycling plant near Plymouth and can confirm that whilst all the recycling appears to go into one compartment, 90% of it is all cleverly sorted and recycled.

2073 Public Pathways

- Silveridge Lane tree has not been felled yet and is dangerous. SHDC footpaths have been notified and they will contact the land owner. If it is not dealt with soon, Pathways will deal with the matter themselves.
- Gates that LPC want to install across the fields from Towns Lane to Hatch have been agreed by one land owner. LPC will organise a meeting with Public Pathways in SHDC to discuss further.
- Concerns over the re siting of a flue onto a public pathway has been flagged. Clerk to investigate.

2074 Neighbourhood Plan

- Cllr Satterley was not present however updated the council that he is still waiting to hear back from SHDC

2075 Planning

0685/22/FUL: Unit 4 Robins Park, Loddiswell TQ74RU - Proposed internal alterations and extension to existing industrial unit.

<http://apps.southhams.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/220685>

Cllr Brooking declared an interest: Council in Support

0528/22/FUL: Lower Yanston Farm, Loddiswell, TQ74EJ 0 proposed renovation of grade 11 listed Devon Bank Barn. No change of use with new metal roof, stone wall repairs and floor repairs

<http://apps.southhams.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/220528>

No Comment

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<http://apps.southhams.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/220747>
No Comment

2076

AOB

a) **Queens Jubilee:** LPC will not be holding a celebration in the village in light of the fact that the Congregational Church and school will be doing so. LPC offers any assistance in the organisation to both parties, should they need it.

b) & c) - **Resurfacing of the roads in Loddiswell and the dangerous road from Sorley Cross to Rake Corner:**

- Clerk wrote to the head of Highways with concerns from LPC
- Email response

Thank you for your email. Fore Street in Loddiswell is one of the Neighbourhood Team's top priorities for 2022/23 and a design has already been produced.

However, in an effort to bring its cost down, it needs to be reviewed by our Mat Lab to see if we can reduce the volume of hazardous (i.e. tar bound) waste needing treatment. I have been advised that this site will be progressed so it will receive action in the coming financial year.

I am afraid that it is less good news for the Sorley Cross route. It remains in the top 10 of Highways priorities, but currently we do not have sufficient funding to complete all of those schemes, so is not expected to be progressed in 2022/23. It will remain on the list for consideration in future years and we shall continue to monitor its condition through our routine inspections.

2077 **Business at the Chairmans discretion**

- Clerk shared research for a camera or CCTV for outside the toilets in the car park. It was decided that SHDC should install such a system - Clerk to continue with prompting them for a solution to the constant vandalising of the toilets.
- Dog faeces in the village is becoming more and more of a problem. Please do report it online through SHDC 'report it' online. Also, dog owners should follow the guidelines around care for their dogs when out in public. Dogs must be kept on a lead in public spaces at all times. Please refer to:

<https://www.southhams.gov.uk/article/4114/Dogs-on-Leads>

2067 Finance:

a) Balance at the start of the meeting	£67,920.35
b) Richard Barney maintenance	- £421
c) F Stace Clerk wages and disbursements	- £396.56
d) S Baskerville toilet cleaning for winter	- £450
e) Loddiswell Show Association: village BBQ	- 339.99
f) Parish Footpaths grant	+ 750
e) Balance at the close of the meeting	£67,062.80

S106 money stands at an estimate of £17,000

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

Signed Dated

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd May 2022 - upstairs in the Congregational Hall at 7.30pm, straight after the LPC annual meeting at 7pm. Those who wish to attend should wear a face mask and keep a sensible distance from the person next to them. If you have any questions you would like to put forward to the Parish Council, please email the clerk at the address below at least 7 days before the meeting is due.

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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