

Loddiswell Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting which took place at 7.30 on Tuesday 3rd May 2022 in the Loddiswell Congregational Hall

PRESENT:	Cllr Peter Sheard (Chair), Cllr Paul Harvey (Vice Chair), 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 Kate Kemp
APOLOGIES:	District Cllr Kate Kemp, Cllr Francis Baker - accepted by the Chair
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

Item no:

2079: Matters Arising from last months Minutes:

- In last months meeting it was minuted that a member of the public was concerned about breach of planning on 'The Orchard' in Well Street. They were also concerned about a breach of planning on the Old Post Office cottages, stating that they could only be sold to the elderly. Both of these planning complaints were unfounded and an apology was given to those affected.
- It was mentioned in the meeting that the orchard, on the grounds of the new build, consisted of rotten trees and bad soil. 7 fruit trees have been planted in their place and new soil laid. Full planning consent was given to taking out part of the Devon Bank.

2080 Policing Matters

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

2081 Public Comment

- No comments from the public attendees.

VAS Data Report:

- Cllr Matthew Cross has mastered the VAS data and all data has now been downloaded. There has been a 10% traffic increase in the last year and whilst the majority are entering the village at 25-30mph, cars exiting are a lot faster - mostly late at night and early mornings.
- LPC took a vote on purchasing and installing a further solar powered VAS and it was a unanimous vote in favour. The sign will be placed before the road narrowing going out of the village towards the playing fields.
- Clerk to look into pricing

2082 County Cllr report - Rufus Gilbert

Devon and the Ukraine:

- There is one Ukraine family in the village and they have been warmly welcomed by everyone
- The families from the Ukraine are Guests not refugees - they are here on a temporary basis and want to go home as soon as it is safe.
- 1048 guests and sponsors in Devon and over half have visas.
- Over 142 arrived in Devon
- 435 sponsors accepting guests, 422 have passed all security checks
- £350 pcm is being paid to sponsors, guests receive £200 pcm

2083 District Cllr report - Julian Brazil

- Cllr Brazil mentioned the unfounded planning issues mentioned in section **2079**
- Rat issues mentioned at Virginia House, in last months meeting, are now in the hands of the Environmental Health and SHDC. Cllr Brazil and LPC Clerk have been informed that there has been a site visit and Environmental Health have been in touch with the Estate Agents who are selling the house, who will contact the current owners to try and sort out the issues. SHDC will also clear some of the rubbish from the site as soon as possible.
- Brown bins collection continue to cause problems. There seem to be ad-hock collections and SHDC are trying to arrange a meeting to discuss a way forwards.
- Cllr Brazil was in support of the VAS and said that they have proven to be very effective. County policies are changing supporting a 20mph limit through some villages. PC's can apply for this online - Clerk already submitted the application.

2084 Public Pathways

- Cllr Webber has met with our Village maintenance worker and the amount of work that needs doing on the pathways and time it takes to do so, was discussed. Silveridge Lane is the longest pathway and takes a long time to clear. Cllr Webber will organise a meeting with Parish Pathways at SHDC and see if we can apply for further funding to cover the extra expenses or if SHDC can take over the maintenance of Silveridge entirely.

2085 Neighbourhood Plan

- Cllr Satterley has re sent the data to SHDC and is awaiting response.

2086 Planning

0484/22/HHO Ashwood Close, Loddiswell, TQ74RG: Householder application for proposed alterations to existing property

<http://apps.southhams.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/220484> Support

4174/21/HHO Heathfield Cottage, Modbury, PL21OSG: READVERTISEMENT (revised plans received) Householder application for erection of single storey extensions to rear and side of existing house and erection of single storey garage with storage

<http://apps.southhams.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/214174> Support

1045/22/FUL Unit 1, Loddiswell Business Park, TQ74QG: Proposed extension to existing industrial unit

<http://apps.southhams.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/221045> Support

1091/22/FUL Loddiswell Gauging Station, TQ74DB: Removal of existing GRP gauging stations hut and construction of replacement new timber hut with lurch clad walls and slate roof and solar panels, built off new concrete slab over existing concrete base

<http://apps.southhams.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/221091> Support on the provision that the current usage does not change

2087 AOB

a) AGAR (Annual Governance and Accountability Return) 2021/22 form was signed and witnessed by the Chair and Clerk (Financial Officer). The internal Audit has been carried out and the amounts will now be sent off to the External Auditors.

b) It was agreed that Ham Butts will house the second memorial bench that was applied for recently. It will be installed adjacent to the one that is already there, meaning that large groups of walkers can sit and enjoy the view after a hard climb up the hill from the river.

2088 Business at the Chairmans discretion

- Congregational church have written thanking LPC for their offer to help fund the Jubilee Party next month. Clerk to write back asking for exact funds they require.
- Mike White has asked for funding to provide lever wheels for the football goals at the playing fields to facilitate easier movement. Clerk to write and ask for a formal request with the actual amount required
- Trees have been planted at Ham Butts and there was concern about the SWW pipes running through the village their location. The Clerk obtained a map for the pipes and unfortunately the trees have been planted directly over them. Clerk to write to those involved in the planting project and see if they can be moved to a more suitable position.

2089 Finance:

a) Balance at the start of the meeting	£67,062.80
b) Richard Barney maintenance	- £463
c) F Stace Clerk wages and disbursements	- £409.05
d) Toilet cleaning payment	- £385
e) Totnes Fire and Signs - signs for village	- £151.62
f) Precept first payment	+ £18,827.50
e) Balance at the close of the meeting	£84,481.63

S106 money stands at an estimate of £17,000

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Signed Dated

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 7th June 2022 - upstairs in the Congregational Hall at 7.30pm. Those who wish to attend should be free of Covid symptoms. 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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