

Loddiswell Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held online due to the Covid 19 restrictions. Meeting took place at 7pm via Zoom on 27th May 2020

PRESENT: Peter Sheard (Vice Chair), Derek Brooking, Francis Baker, Paul Harvey, Malcolm Dicken, Emma Hemmins, Emma Sweet, County Cllr Rufus Gilbert, District Cllr Julian Brazil to cover for Cllr Kate Kemp

APOLOGIES: Martin Widger (Chair), Cllr Kate Kemp, Ian Satterley, Mike Hine

IN ATTENDANCE: Fiona Stace (Parish Clerk)

MINUTES: There were no meetings in April or May however, notes have been written on the agendas, which will be circulated, approved and signed at the next attended meeting.

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

Item no:

1853 Policing Matters

Report from January to March 2020:

3 crimes to report. 2 anti social behaviour and 1 violent sexual offence

1854 Public Comment

No members of the public attended, but 2 emailed the clerk with concerns over the planning application to build on the old school field. Comments were duly noted and LPC asked permission to use some of the points in their response to the planning application before the closing date on 4th June 2020.

1855 County Cllr report - Rufus Gilbert

Cllr Gilbert asked after the progress on the ordering of a new finger post at Rake Corner, which the Clerk has ordered, as he kindly organised funding from the locality budget. The Clerk is waiting for proofs from the supplier and will keep Cllr Gilbert posted. Highways funding has been increased for 20/21 to £50M being about £1M a week. The details can be found online on the DCC website Cabinet Minutes/agenda item 8. Cllr Gilbert has been spending most of his time being involved with the herculean task of sorting Devon's economic recovery from Covid 19 and this work continues. He has been informing the Clerk with all the necessary updates, which have been posted on the local Loddiswell fb site.

DCC has now approved the purchase of the FlyBe academy at Exeter airport for technical and vocational training. Cllr Gilbert asked about progress for application of S106 funding attached to the planning application in the old school field. This point is noted in point

1860 b)

Cllr Gilbert was asked if he could look into any possibilities of promotions asking people to be more careful on the roads due to the increase of cyclists over the Covid 19 lockdown as there is a concern over safety and traffic build up. There are no schemes in RURAL areas but he will look into this and get back to the Clerk.

1856 District Cllr report - Julian Brazil standing in for Kate Kemp

SHDC have started handing out grants to businesses that haven't received any money from the Business Rates relief scheme. You need to fill out the forms online through or you can contact Julian Brazil directly. The new recycling regime has been postponed now until after September, but most likely to be around December. SHDC have been offering small amounts of funding to villages and small organisations helping with the Covid 19 situation. LPC have applied for funding through SHDC and DCC to help with the mask making that has proven to be very helpful in and around the village. Cllr Brazil explained more about the S106 money that LPC can apply for IF the planning application for 25 houses to be built in the old school field is approved. S106 is a legal document attained for any road improvements, junctions, open spaces or educational equipment in direct result to planning and building in the area. Clerk to write to Highways asking again, for a zebra or pelican crossing up by the playing fields as there will be more children attending the school and using the playing fields for recreational purposes. The Clerk is also to mention that there is still much needed action regarding the pinch points on the road from California Cross to the A38. There will be more traffic using the road, which is already congested especially in peak times.

1857 Public Pathways

DCC are trying to re open the footpath from Hatch to the river. Landowners are opposing it but DCC want it reinstated and the footpath put back in.

1858 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Ian Satterley was not present

1859 Planning

3752/19/OPA - School Field: Outline for application - 25 houses

LPC are not concerned with the application for access but are concerned about the number of houses proposed to be built and the lack of parking. 25 houses is overly ambitious and they have asked for a consideration to lower the number to a maximum of 15. There are concerns over the wooded area, this should not be cut down, and also concerns over the ecological aspect of the build and whether the plans are in keeping with the surrounding houses / estates in the village. LPC have expressed serious concerns and responded to the planning application accordingly.

1001/20/VAR - South Brent Road - Land adjoining Loddiswell Business Park. Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) following planning consent (2109/18/FUL) erection of industrial warehouse buildings - **In support**. Cllr Brooking and Cllr Hemmins declared an interest so did not vote.

1265/20/POD - 3 The Vinery, Lilwell Farm TQ74EF. Change use of building from office to dwelling house - plus - **In support**

0625/20/FUL - Lilwell Farm TQ74EF. Application for replacement dwelling following class Q approval ref 2773/17/PDM, minor alterations to dwelling - **In support**

1220/20/CLE - Little Nuckwell, Venn to Churchstow, Aveton Gifford TQ74NZ. lawfull development certificate for existing use of land as residential (use class C30 - **In support**

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AOB & matters arising from last months minutes

- a) Cllr Kate Kemp wrote an email to LPC explaining her sudden need for stepping down from her position temporarily. Cllr Kemp has been seriously ill since the 1st April and is taking some much needed rest. Our thoughts are with her and her family and we wish her a speedy recovery.
- b) S106 money: Clerk to write to SHDC stating where LPC would like most of the money to be applied in the village. Areas identified for potential improvements / projects are mainly the Play area up at the playing fields, there is also a need for youth and community sports and recreational facilities in the village and biodiversity enhancements.
- c) The stop up order for Stanton Lane has been placed on hold until further notice. Once records re open LPC will see what further evidence is available and respond accordingly.
- d) Playing Fields and Village Hall Trust have been in touch regarding repairs and maintenance at the play area. Whilst LPC have agreed to help with the maintenance, they are not responsible for the replacement of equipment and are not named on the insurance documents. A meeting will be suggested to discuss further should PFVHT feel necessary. LPC will always aim to support the playing fields and continue to pay for the grass cutting and general daily wear and tear to the equipment.

1861 Added at the Chairs discretion:

The new digital speed sign is proving to be most effective and Cllr Baker will be compiling a report for the next meeting on the data gathered since it has been installed. Interestingly there have been some very high speeds recorded leaving the village! Please keep your speed down and help keep the village safe.

Planning application (not on the agenda due to late notification) **1397/20/VAR** for drainage on the old school site - **in support**

The internal audit has been completed and there was a question regarding the staff pay increase. This partly due to a back pay for holiday which was never accounted for. Clerk to notify the councillors of the other changes ready for the approval in the next online meeting at the end of June.

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Balance at the start of the meeting

£67,735.53

- a) F. Stace - Clerks wages & disbursements - £430.61
- b) Richard Barney - Maintenance - £374
- c) R Beer contracting, hedge cutting - £115.20
- d) Greenspace x 3 cuts - £240
- e) DALC chairmans training - £36
- f) DALC yearly membership renewal - £243.90

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| g) Cq to PFVHT for Covid 19 mask making | - £500 |
| h) HMRC direct debit | - £120 |
| i) PAYE | - £272.80 |
| j) Grant for Covid 19 | - £495 |
| k) Locality funding for masks | + £250 |
| l) Covid 19 funding for volunteer expenses | + £495 |
| Balance at the close of the meeting | £65,653.02 |

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 20.25pm.

Signed Dated

The next meeting will be held online at the end of June. For updates our a link if you wish to attend the meeting, please contact the clerk.

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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