



LOGGERHEADS PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20th JANUARY 2020 AT 7PM At Loggerheads Community Fire Station

PRESENT: J Hodgkins (Chair)

D Coulson	S Fox
P Chamberlain	M Lee
R Claydon	J Friend
L Gibson	R Salmons
D Butterworth	G Sedgley
B Dickson	A Swetman
H Roberts	J Vallings
D Swan	

B/C/Cllr P Northcott, B/Cllr B Panter

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There was one member of the public in attendance.

20/01/1 APOLOGIES

E Martin, P Henshaw

20/01/2 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

20/01/3 PLANNING

(i) The meeting considered the following applications and commented as noted:

Application No: 19/00972/FUL **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Adams **Application** Replacement garage and carport extended with alterations, removal of front bays and associated roofs. Rear extension and internal/external alterations **Location:** Woodside, Mucklestone Wood Lane Loggerheads

NO OBJECTION

Application No: 19/01003/FUL **Applicant:** Mr D & Mrs A Wishart **Application** Proposed side extension to form lounge, installation of air source heat pump and change of use of land to extend residential curtilage **Location:** Smithy Cottage, Brodder Lane, Peatswood

NO OBJECTION

Application No: 19/01008/FUL **Applicant:** L Hogg & D Bray **Application** Replacement garage **Location:** Land adjacent 4 Smithy Lane, Knighton

NO OBJECTION

Application No: 19/01019/FUL **Applicant:** Fenton Park Developments Ltd **Application** Replacement dwelling **Location:** Rockwoods, Newcastle Road, Loggerheads

NO OBJECTION

Application No: 20/00010/FUL **Applicant:** Mr L Shepherd **Application:** Demolition of existing conservatory, provision of new oak dining space and conversion of existing vacant room into a holiday let. Drayton **Location:** The White Lion, London Road, Knighton

NO OBJECTION

(ii) The meeting noted the following applications had been permitted:

Application No: 19/00750/FUL **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs O'Brien **Proposed Development:** Single storey rear extension to provide access to a ground floor bedroom and shower room. **Location:** 11 Springfield, Loggerheads

Application No: 19/00830/FUL **Applicant:** Mr S Johnston **Application:** Single storey rear extension **Location:** The Woodlands, Pinewood Drive, Loggerheads

(iii) The meeting noted the following appeal had been dismissed:

Appeal Reference: APP/P3420/W/19/3237141 **Application No:** 19/00103/FUL **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs J Perkins **Proposed Development:** Demolition of existing detached garage and erection of detached dormer dwelling **Location:** Silver Birch, Birks Drive, Ashley Heath

20/01/4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The meeting resolved that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16th December 2019 be adopted and on the proposal of Cllr Coulson and seconded by Cllr Swetman that the Chair be authorised to sign them as a correct record of proceedings.

20/01/5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The meeting was updated the Clerk had been advised the planning application for the Burntwood football field would be approved subject to conditions namely a survey of the trees affected by the portakabins and installation of services. The Clerk had written to accept the conditions and an on-site meeting is arranged for Wednesday to commission the survey. Applications for the Assets of Community Value to be re-registered have been submitted and The Loggerheads Pub is in diary to renew in March. Cllr Friend updated

the meeting that Severn Trent had attended a burst at the B5026/B5415 junction however the flooding at the manhole was unaffected and continues.

20/01/6 REPORTS

6.1 County Councillor's Report – Cllr Northcott reported 368 road repairs had been completed with 313 new referrals received. Disability Services assessing support needs for provision in Newcastle-under-Lyme. All Age Carers Strategy, there are 645 young carers, and carers themselves staying healthy and having a life outside their caring is paramount and there are crisis management tools that carers can access. Staffordshire Strategic Infrastructure Plan looking at transport and education and making sure infrastructure is in place before developments take place. Schools Capital Programme approved 2019/2020 with 35 extra places at Baldwins Gate. 1200 children are in foster placements. Car parking strategy looking at additional staff to enforce highways. The flu jab is still available at chemists. Chased the portfolio holder for feasibility study for a crossing in Loggerheads and met 3 residents at surgery this morning and confirmed if a crossing does go ahead the crossing patrol may be lost as SCC unlikely to provide funding for both.

6.2 Borough Councillors' Reports – Cllr Panter had been contacted by a resident regarding planning application 19/00907/OUT and is in contact with the case officer. Had attended various meetings including the Economic and Environment Committee, Protection for Rural England and met some Befrienders at the surgery this morning. In capacity as Armed Forces Champion had assisted with an emergency. Cllr Northcott reported that between 2014 and 2018 Loggerheads population had fallen by 1%, the average age is 71 years and 1.2% are receiving Job Seekers Allowance. The new Head of Planning Sean Fleet had started work. The policy side of the Joint Local Plan will be published at the end of the month with site specifics at the end of the summer/autumn. Kidsgrove Sports Centre is moving forward with a fund raising group, business plan and payment system all in place. Borough Heroes is an initiative to recognise groups and individuals who care with £15,000.00 earmarked in conjunction with The Sentinel and will launch in February. Proposal for Council Tax increase 2.5% for year 2020/2021.

20/01/7 FINANCIAL MATTERS

(i) ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

On the proposal of Cllr Swetman, seconded by Cllr Dickson, the meeting resolved that the following invoices be paid:

Date	Details	Amount	Approved
15/12/2019	Carrera Website Hosting – December 2019	£52.00	BACS
25/01/2020	K Watkins Clerk Salary January 2020	£1,101.80	BACS
25/01/2020	K Watkins – expenses January 2020	£8.50	BACS
03/01/2020	R Latham – December 2019	£144.42	BACS
30/12/2019	P Martin – play area inspection December 2019	£230.00	BACS
03/12/2019	BT – Internet December 2019	£39.55	DD
14/12/2019	LeasePlan – lease of Mini Bus December 2019	£546.60	DD
20/12/2019	Market Drayton Men's Shed – Noticeboard refurb	£240.00	BACS
12/12/2019	FBC Mandy Bowdler – legal agreement access Knighton	£1,140.00	BACS
08/01/2020	3 Shires tree care – Heath Grove	£360.00	BACS
08/01/2020	Amazon – print cartridges	£63.96	Card

(ii) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

An up-dated income and expenditure account for the month ending 31st December 2019 and income of £526.00 for minibus hire between October and December 2019 was noted.

(iii) GRANT

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee in respect of a grant application under S137 from Ashley Young Farmers for £319.85 for sports equipment and on the proposal of Cllr Vallings and seconded by Cllr Dickson the meeting resolved to proceed with the grant.

(iv) HS2 GRANTS

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to further opportunities for the PC to apply for HS2 grants however with the whole project currently under review the window for applications is not yet open. Communities disrupted by the project with community groups, such as the CIC, able to apply for up to £75,000.00 and administrative authorities, such as the Parish Council, up to £1M. The Clerk had written to NuLBC to request their valuation of the land LV1 on Market Drayton Road with a view to taking forward an application to support development of a community and sports facility in Loggerheads. In addition smaller projects could be considered and councillors to bring ideas to a future meeting. Cllr Northcott updated the meeting there is a meeting at Whitmore Village Hall on Monday 27th January at 7.30pm for Parish Councillors to meet HS2 to discuss community projects and Cllrs Swetman and Swan will attend.

(v) COMMUNICATIONS GROUP

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to the proposal from the Communications Group to include a questionnaire in the next newsletter at a cost of £288.00 and on the proposal of Cllr Coulson and seconded by Cllr Dickson the meeting resolved to proceed. A draft questionnaire had been sent to Councillors for feedback.

(vi) OPEN SPACE GROUP

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to an update on the use of Tinkers Lane from the Open Space Group to plant a copse and on the proposal of Cllr Coulson and seconded by Cllr Roberts the meeting resolved to exclude this site from the new annual maintenance contract from April 2020 and for work to be done on an ad hoc basis as required. The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee to include the Burntwood football field surrounds in the new annual maintenance contract from April 2020 and on the proposal of Cllr Coulson and seconded by Cllr Roberts the meeting resolved to proceed.

(vii) STAFFORDSHIRE PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee to renew the membership of the Staffordshire Playing Fields Association for 2019/20 for £20.00 and on the proposal of Cllr Dickson and seconded by Cllr Hodgkins resolved to proceed.

(viii) NEWSLETTER

The meeting was updated a resident who had voluntarily provided the 88 sheets of labels for the community newsletter had passed away and the Clerk had written to his widow to thank her for his contribution. The future of the newsletter with a new Chair of LCIS still being sought will be discussed by the Clerk and temporary Chair Paul Northcott as the

Clerk is now inadvertently doing most of the work co-ordinating production of the newsletter with Colin Harris continuing to edit. Deliveries are being undertaken by residents and councillors. The Clerk will report back to the next meeting of the Finance Committee.

20/01/8 LOCATION OF DEFIBRILLATOR

The meeting was informed that defibrillators are currently located at the Co-op, the Peel Arms, Hugo Meynell School, the Surgery and at the Fire Station and following a vote two additional defibrillators in the parish will be sited at Knighton Village Hall and at Tyrley Locks.

20/01/9 LOGGERHEADS VOLUNTARY CAR SCHEME

The meeting was updated the Loggerheads Voluntary Car Scheme had fulfilled 331 bookings between 1st April 2019 and 31st December 2019 to various appointments including hospitals, doctors surgeries, dentists, day centres and visiting relatives. There are currently 15 drivers who completed 6250 miles and fares of £3,460.00 received. A recent ad hoc booking resulted in a volunteer not receiving the fare and incurring parking charges at the Royal Stoke hospital totalling approximately £18.00. On the proposal of Cllr Swetman and seconded by Cllr Sedgley the meeting resolved, in a case such as this if not resolved in any other way, for a travel expenses claim to be made to the Parish Council.

20/01/10 NOTICE OF CASUAL VACANCY AT TYRLEY

The meeting noted the notice published by Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council for the casual vacancy at Tyrley following the resignation of Councillor Knight.

20/01/11 WORKING GROUPS & OTHER

To receive an update, if any, from the following Working Groups/Other:-

11.1 Village Halls & St Mary's School – Fundraising event at Knighton Village Hall on 31st January at 7.30pm Burns Night Supper and Ceilidh.

11.2 Commemoration Working Group - Cllr Chamberlain confirmed the commemoration of the 75th Anniversary of VE Day celebration will be held in the garden of the Loggerheads Pub.

20/01/12 CORRESPONDENCE

A summary of correspondence received at the Parish Council office between 17th December 2019 and 16th January 2020 was noted including: an email requesting a 20mph speed limit on the Burntwood and speed humps on Pheasant Walk and for bins at the football pitch to be used; the developer on Eccleshall Road will be undertaking a drainage survey this week ahead of submitting a new planning application to increase the number of properties to be built on the site; security officers from Hanson regarding the quarry offering to meet councillors and are looking to put cameras up. The Police will send their off road motorbike and anyone seeing or hearing activity at the quarry should report to Police on 101.

20/01/13 MATTERS REQUIRING ATTENTION WITHIN THE PARISH

The following matters were considered: a build-up of moss on pavements in Ashley will be reported to Staffordshire County Council(SCC); a blocked drain on Mucklestone Road by Hemp Mill Walk will be reported to SCC; anti-social behaviour on Mucklestone Wood Lane with racing cars late at night to be reported to the PCSO; the new footpath that was one of

the conditions of the planning permission at the new development at Mucklestone Road had not yet been completed fully and had been reported to Planning Enforcement and they would be taking action to get the footpath completed to the length required. A schedule for the replanting of the hedge that was removed along the boundary of the upper development had also been requested via the Planning Department; if a further planning application is submitted for the Eccleshall Road development to revisit the provision of s106 monies; rubbish on the Ashley Memorial Hall car park had prompted complaints as the bins are locked; Cllr Dickson will be in the library on Monday between 11am and 1pm.

20/01/14 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Finance Committee Monday 10th February 2020 2pm at Loggerheads Fire Station.

Full Parish Council Monday 17th February 2020 7pm at Loggerheads Fire Station.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Signed:..... **CHAIR**