



LOGGERHEADS PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17th FEBRUARY 2020 AT 7PM **At Loggerheads Community Fire Station**

PRESENT: J Hodgkins (Chair)

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

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public in attendance.

17/02/1 APOLOGIES

E Martin, L Gibson, R Salmons, B/C/Cllr P Northcott, B/Cllr B Panter

17/02/2 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Cllrs Fox and Hodgkins agenda item 7(iv).

17/02/3 PLANNING

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

Application No: 20/00015/FUL **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs A Nichols **Application** Proposed extensions to side and rear together with internal alterations **Location:** Ashbourne, Pinewood Road, Ashley

NO OBJECTION

Application No: 20/00045/FUL **Applicant:** Mr T Peerless **Application** Conversion of a garage **Location:** Castle Hill, 63 Mucklestone Road, Winnington

NO OBJECTION

Application No: 20/00049/FUL **Applicant:** Mrs Hill, Head Teacher **Application** Rebuilding of an existing retaining wall due to partial collapse and new fencing and gates
Location: St. Mary's Church of England Primary School, Church Lane, Muckleston

NO OBJECTION

Application No: 20/00048/FUL **Applicant:** Mrs Thomas **Application** Proposed annexe building to The Crescent, Pinewood Drive, Loggerheads **Location:** The Crescent, Pinewood Drive, Loggerheads

OBJECTION – Outside village envelope, and does not meet the criteria set out in the Neighbourhood Plan for housing developments.

Application No: 20/00089/FUL **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs J Perkins **Application** Demolition of existing detached garage and erection of detached dormer dwelling **Location:** Silver Birch, Birks Drive, Ashley Heath

OBJECTION – Does not meet the criteria set out in the Neighbourhood Plan for housing developments and loss of amenity.

Application No: 20/00083/FUL **Applicant:** Yardley Cross **Application:** Erection of 3 dwelling houses on site of existing 2 no. Green & Acorn Bungalows (resubmission of 19/00063/FUL) **Location:** Green Bungalow & Acorns Bungalow, Newcastle Road, Loggerheads

DEFER TO NEXT MEETING & SEEK EXTENSION FROM CASE OFFICER

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

Application No: 19/00769/FUL **Applicant:** Loggerheads Parish Council **Application** Installation of 2 single storey portakabins, to east side of car park, adjacent to sports field in the Burntwood in Loggerheads to provide changing facilities and toilets for football teams **Location:** Burntwood Sports Ground, Eccleshall Road, Loggerheads

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

Application No: 19/00895/FUL **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Edge **Application** Conversion of existing barn in to 3 no. dwellings, one for residential use, two for holiday let use. The proposals involve the careful modification and restoration of a building in the curtilage of a listed building, Manor House Farm **Location:** Manor House Farm, Park Lane, Ashley

Application No: 19/00896/LBC **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Edge **Application** Conversion of existing barn in to 3 no. dwellings, one for residential use, two for holiday let use. The proposals involve the careful modification and restoration of a building in the curtilage of a listed building, Manor House Farm **Location:** Manor House Farm, Park Lane, Ashley

17/02/4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The meeting resolved that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 20th January 2020 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.

17/02/5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The meeting was updated that the Library and the allotments in Loggerheads, The Meynell Arms public house, Robin Hood public house and The Peel Arms public house in Ashley and the White Lion public house in Knighton had been accepted as nominations for Assets of Community Value by NuLBC who will now advise the respective owners. The Loggerheads Pub is due to expire in May and the Clerk will apply to re-register it then. The meeting was updated that a tree survey had been undertaken in line with the planning permission condition for the containers at the Football field in the Burntwood and submitted to NuLBC at a cost of £116.00.

17/02/6 REPORTS

6.1 County Councillor's Report - Cllr B/C/Cllr Northcott in his absence sent a report confirming no School Crossing Patrol appointments as yet although one post may be filled soon. There had been 227 pot hole repairs and 116 new defects reported. Drain work on Eccleshall Road to be completed soon. Strategic Plan & Medium Term Financial Strategy 2020 to 2025, and Budget & Council Tax 2020/21 approved; 3.99% council tax increase compared with the previous year. Official opening of the Keele Business School had taken place. SCC had joined neighbouring authorities to adopt the international Holocaust Remembrance Alliance's working definition of anti-Semitism. Storm Denis over the weekend brought down 16 trees in Newcastle.

6.2 Borough Councillors' Reports – Cllr B/C/Cllr Northcott in his absence sent a report confirming the new Head of Planning is now in post; a Senior Policy Planning Officer is to run the Joint Local Plan (JLP) at Stoke also to bring everything in line as nearing the final stages of the JLP. Part 1 of the 'draft Joint Local Plan Policies' with SOT has been through scrutiny, planning committee and last week through Cabinet before full council, next step is public consultation. Part 2 site allocations expected in the autumn. Budget due to be presented for approval at full Council recommendations include a 2.55% Council tax rise which is lower than last year and representing a £5 increase for Band D properties. Contracts exchanged on Borough land on Eccleshall Road. Planning application expected in the near future.

B/Cllr Panter in his absence sent a report advising he had attended various meetings on a range of issues.

17/02/7 FINANCIAL MATTERS**(i) ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL**

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

Date	Details	Amount	Approved
15/01/2020	Carrera Website Hosting – January 2020	£52.00	BACS
25/02/2020	K Watkins Clerk Salary February 2020	£1,108.80	BACS
25/02/2020	K Watkins – expenses February 2020	£6.75	BACS
01/02/2020	R Latham – January 2020	£141.93	BACS
31/01/2020	P Martin – play area inspection January 2020	£335.18	BACS

16/02/2020	BT - Phone	£84.78	DD
22/01/2020	BT – phone to end of contract	£23.07	DD
14/01/2020	LeasePlan – lease of Mini Bus February 2020	£546.60	DD
05/01/2020	G Sedgley – Mileage SPCA AGM	£19.80	BACS
05/01/2020	Cassart Ltd – Poo spray	£30.80	Card
23/01/2020	Derek Mawby Paving Ltd – fitting posts for SID	£600.00	BACS
24/01/2020	TWM Traffic Control Systems Ltd – SID x 2	£4,800.00	BACS
06/02/2020	Fuel genie – fuel minibus	£85.01	DD
05/02/2020	Old Oak Tree care – tree report for football application	£350.00	BACS
06/02/2020	Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council – planning condition fee	£116.00	BACS

(ii) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

An up-dated income and expenditure account for the month ending 31st January 2020 was noted.

(iii) BURNTWOOD PLANNING APPLICATION UPDATE

To meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee to submit a tree report to meet the planning conditions for containers at the Burntwood and to authorise the Clerk to sign the new lease with Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council for 25 years for pepper corn rent and on the proposal of Cllr Coulson and seconded by Cllr Fox resolved to proceed and thanked the Clerk for her hard work in completing this process.

(iv) GRANT APPLICATION

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to a grant application under s137 from Ashley Methodist Church for a contribution towards a new audio visual system at £4,000.00 and a replacement organ at £3,000.00 – £4000.00. The meeting was informed that the Local Government Act 1894 does not allow grants from Parish Councils to churches however the Localism Act 1972 allows them for community wellbeing. Advice from the Staffordshire Parish Councils Association supports the 1894 Act and a government minister in 2014 confirmed the 1894 Act remains on the statute book. On the proposal of Cllr Vallings, seconded by Cllr Friend, and following a vote, the meeting resolved to clarify if the audio visual system and organ would be available to the whole community either in the church hall or able to be moved around the parish for use elsewhere and review again once clarification is received from the Church.

(v) MINIBUS VALET

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to the requirement to get the minibus valeted at a cost of £50.00 and on the proposal of Cllr Lee and seconded by Cllr Swetman resolved to proceed.

(vi) COMMUNITY TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION RENEWAL

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to the renewal of annual membership of the CTA for £50.00 and on the proposal of Cllr Lee and seconded by Cllr Swetman resolved to proceed.

(vii) CHEQUE RECEIVED

The meeting noted the cheque received from Elan Homes and Finance Committee's recommendation to return it and on the proposal of Cllr Lee and seconded by Cllr Swetman resolved to proceed.

(viii) WORKING GROUP UPDATES

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to: Commemoration Group – to pay £50.00 to the piper and £50.00 to the charity SSAFA; and Open Space Group – to do a one off cut and clearing of brambles at Tinkers Lane field at a cost of £370.00; and on the proposal of Cllr Hodgkins and seconded by Cllr Swetman resolved to proceed.

Youth Group – the meeting noted the intent to close the Youth Account (not related to the Parish Council account) and give grants to local youth groups with the remaining funds.

17/02/8 COMMUNICATIONS GROUP

The meeting considered the following documents proposed by the Communications Group: Terms of Reference for the Communications Group; Communications Strategy; Social Media Policy; and Values and on the proposal of Cllr Coulson and seconded by Cllr Dickson resolved to adopt the documents.

17/02/9 ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE

The meeting considered making an application to register Loggerheads Fire Station as an asset of community value and on the proposal of Cllr Swetman and seconded by Cllr Roberts the meeting resolved to proceed.

17/02/10 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The meeting considered this year's Annual Parish Meeting should be held in May at the Methodist Church in Ashley, to include a review of the year, hearing from groups who have received grants and how they were used for the benefit the community.

17/02/11 CORRESPONDENCE

A summary of correspondence received at the Parish Council office between 21st January 2020 and 17th February 2020 was noted including: an invitation from the CPRE and SPCA for 2 councillors to attend a planning training session, Cllr Swan to attend; LAP had met and amended the constitution to meet a minimum of 4 times a year and following the withdrawal of administrative support from NuLBC the Clerks of Maer & Aston, Chapel Chorlton and Loggerheads resolved to take it in turns to take the minutes which were completed by Loggerheads Parish Clerk this time. The Happy to Talk Scheme was discussed at LAP and will be referred to the Finance Committee to consider. The PCSO also attended the LAP and reported a quiet start to the year with 2 RTCs and no anti-social behaviour reported.

17/02/12 MATTERS REQUIRING ATTENTION WITHIN THE PARISH

The following matters were considered: Cllr Friend advised his year as High Sheriff starts in 2021 and he will be stepping down as a parish councillor later in the year; a fallen tree on Charnes Road backing on to Woodrow Way; an elderly resident in Napley would like help to maintain his vegetable garden in return for some of the produce; a vacancy at The Haven housing; thanks to the Clerk for sending a birthday card to a resident on his 100th birthday; to send a card to Cllr Martin and his family on the loss of his mother and thanking the family over several generations for their contribution to the Parish Council; to send a

card to former B/Cllr Brian Riley on the loss of his wife; to clarify if recordings and film of Winston Churchill can be used as part of the VE Day 75th Anniversary Commemoration; vehicles parked on the pavement by the building site on the A 53 near to the Gravelly Hill and Mucklestone Wood Lane junction causing a wheelchair user to have to go on the road to pass by; the A53 being blocked by a caravan and lorries in the snow last Monday afternoon and there being no emergency way to contact Highways, just the internet, and a 50 minute wait when contacting the Police on 101; Cllr Hodgkins will be in the library between 11am and 1pm on Monday 24th February.

17/02/13 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Finance Committee Monday 9th March 2020 11am at Loggerheads Fire Station.
Full Parish Council Monday 16th March 2020 7pm at Loggerheads Fire Station.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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