



# LOGGERHEADS PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019 AT 7PM At Loggerheads Community Fire Station

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**PRESENT:** J Hodgkins (Chair)

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

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

### **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

### **18/03/1 APOLOGIES**

K Bennett

### **18/03/2 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

### **18/02/3 PLANNING**

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

**Application No:** 19/00150/FUL **Applicant:** Mr V Simpson **Proposed Development:** Extension to existing garage and link to main dwelling including previously approved two storey side extension with first floor link to provide granny annex (permission 18/00057/FUL) **Location:** 4 Woodpecker View, The Burntwood, Loggerheads

NO OBJECTION

**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

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

**Application No:** 19/00100/FUL **Applicant:** Mr A & Mrs N Simpson **Proposed Development:** Detached dwelling, detached garage, stable block, manege and vehicular site access: Re-submission of Planning Application 18/00813/FUL (Withdrawn 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018) incorporating Amendments to Planning Permission 15/00898/FUL **Location:** 178 Lower Road, Ashley

NO OBJECTION

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

**Application No:** 18/01008/FUL **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs R Lee **Proposed Development:** Two storey extension and internal alterations **Location:** Gardeners Cottage, Stoneyford, Market Drayton

**Application No:** 19/00055/FUL **Applicant:** Mrs H Dent **Proposed Development:** Single storey extension **Location:** Fairways, Wesleyan Road, Ashley

(iii) **UPDATE ON MARKET DRAYTON ROAD SITE PLANS**

The meeting was updated on the developer's plans for the Market Drayton Road site adjacent to the Fire Station. Cllrs Swetman, Knight, Gibson, and Coulson and the Parish Clerk met the developer this morning. The developer proposes a 2 fold application firstly of approximately 80 1 and 2 bed apartments to provide elderly supported living together with a community coffee shop area which will be open to the whole community. The elderly supported living apartments will be warden controlled and run on a not for profit basis. The developer had taken into account local architecture and plan currently allows for 25 parking spaces. Given the rural nature of this community Cllrs gave feedback that this would need to be increased and the developer agreed they would look at this aspect again. The developer's Board is meeting to sign off the proposal tomorrow and it would be discussed at the NuLBC Planning pre-application consultation meeting tomorrow as well. The second part of the proposal is for 35 starter and larger homes. If the project proceeds and there is an opportunity to extend the project to the adjoining site to include the proposed community centre and sports fields. The developer is willing to draw up the plans at no cost to the Parish and this was a very positive meeting with the developer keen to support the community. On the proposal of Cllr Swetman and seconded by Cllr Coulson the meeting resolved to actively support the effort to develop this site to this proposal.

(iv) Cllr Martin noted that the land around the brook by the current development sites in Mucklestone Road had been fenced off and queried who would be responsible for maintaining it going forward. The Clerk will make some enquiries to establish who owns this area now.

### **18/03/4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The meeting resolved that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2019 be adopted and on the proposal of Cllr Coulson and seconded by Cllr Lee that the Chair be authorised to sign them as a correct record of proceedings.

### **18/03/5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

The Clerk updated the meeting that Heineken Brewery who own the Loggerheads pub had confirmed it is their intention to reopen as soon as possible. The Chair noted the amount of work undertaken by the Clerk on the Action Log to bring outstanding matters to a close and thanked her for her hard work.

### **18/03/6 REPORTS**

6.1 County Councillor's Report – The County Council met on 14<sup>th</sup> February and the budget had now been balanced after an initial £35M shortfall. £9M had been made available to Highways to clear drains. A resident had complained the double yellow lines by the school are not long enough. Planning permission had been granted for the Chatterley Valley development scheme which would bring jobs for industrial and distribution. NHS consultation held on the future of Bradwell and Heywood hospitals. 1130 looked after children in the county, up 10 since December and up 36 in the last year at a cost of £4,000.00 per child per week. Draft Ofsted inspection report is due shortly. Staffordshire Warm Homes Fund of £3.795M to fund heating for houses which have none which will help people stay at home for longer and reduce fuel poverty. 343 defect road repairs completed with 357 generated new works. Loggerheads is top of the Speedwatch effectiveness charts out of 11 active groups and 2 more starting up. Parking restrictions on the A34 on both carriageways by the hospital came in on 13<sup>th</sup> March with fines of £70.00 introduced.

6.2 Borough Councillors' Reports – Cllr Panter reported street cleaning will take place in Loggerheads next month, no progress had yet been made on the road signs for Rowney Close, a new dementia drop in centre will open in Newcastle-under-Lyme, and taxi licensing is being discussed tomorrow following strikes on weekend nights. Cllr Northcott confirmed Loggerheads Neighbourhood Plan had been signed off at Planning Committee and is now with the Head of Planning for sign off. Work to improve the former Sainsbury site continues. Defra require environmental improvements on the A539 and a Joint Assessment Air Quality Strategy is required by October with buses emissions to be cleaned up and possible green taxes. NuLBC Council Tax increase of 2.99% for 2019/20 which is £5.69 for a band D property. 12,500 residents have signed up for the new garden waste service so far with 15,000 needed to make the service viable. Section 106 monies on developments had been challenged recently and government inspectors have said monies should not be sought on developments of less than 10 dwellings. Going forward Cllr Northcott is also looking at how future funds should be spent.

### **18/03/7 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

#### **(i) ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL**

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

Date	Details	Amount	Approved
15/02/2019	Carrera Website Hosting – February 2019	£52.00	BACS
25/03/2019	K Watkins Clerk Salary March 2019	£990.02	BACS
25/02/2019	K Watkins – Mileage February 2019	£9.90	BACS

06/03/2019	R Latham – February 2019	£95.20	BACS
28/02/2019	P Martin – play area inspection February 2019	£200.00	BACS
03/03/2019	BT – Internet March 2019	£28.68	DD
01/03/2019	LeasePlan – lease of Mini Bus March 2019	£546.60	DD
23/02/2019	James Bullock – fitting of speed watch signs Mucklestone	£195.00	BACS
04/03/2019	Cassart – Dog poo spray	£39.75	Card
04/03/2019	Cableties-online	£21.49	Card
13/02/2019	Acer garden specialists – holly at Heath Grove	£400.00	BACS
04/03/2019	Derek Mawby Paving Ltd – fitting of post for SID, Mucklestone Road	£264.00	BACS
26/02/2019	Creative Digital Printing – newsletter February 2019	£318.00	BACS
11/03/2019	TWM Traffic – SID Mucklestone Road	£2,676.00	BACS
11/03/2019	TWM Traffic – fitting of SID Mucklestone Road	£300.00	BACS
25/03/2019	HMRC – Tax & NI 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter 2018/19	£1,136.32	Cheque

**(ii) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

An up-dated income and expenditure account for the month ending 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 was noted.

**(iii) GRANT APPLICATION**

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee regarding a grant application, under section 137, from Ashley Indoor Bowling Club for additional equipment at £851.00 and on the proposal of Cllr Swetman and seconded by Cllr Lee resolved to grant £610.00 for the purchase of a carpet roller.

**(iv) INSURANCE RENEWAL**

The meeting considered 2 quotes for the renewal of the Council's insurance from 1 April 2019 and on the proposal of Cllr Gibson, seconded by Cllr Martin resolved to proceed with the cheapest 3 year quote from Aviva at £774.05 per annum.

**(v) BURNTWOOD FOOTBALL FIELD**

The meeting considered 2 quotes for the cutting of the football field (referred from December meeting) from April until October and on the proposal of Cllr Swetman and seconded by Cllr Lee resolved to proceed with the flexible option of cutting as and when required at £100.00 per cut with the football club assisting from time to time.

**(vi) TADGEDALE BROOK**

The meeting was updated on the options for helping to tidy up the Tadgedale Brook area in Loggerheads owned by Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council and agreed to let the Borough arrange for the excess wood to be chipped as soon as practicable and for them to coordinate any further voluntary activity.

**(vii) HUGO WAY SCHOOL PARKING ISSUES**

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee to purchase parking warning signs to be placed at Hugo Way, Loggerheads to replace ones supplied by the police last year and the impact that these have on parents parking behaviour. A proposal to ask the school children to issue warning notices to parents will be discussed

with the Head-teacher. On the proposal of Cllr Hodgkins and seconded by Cllr Henshaw it was resolved to purchase 4 signs at a cost of approximately £38.00 plus VAT each.

#### **(viii) STAFFORDSHIRE PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL**

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee to renew the annual subscription of £545.00 and on the proposal of Cllr Swetman and seconded by Cllr Lee the meeting resolved to proceed.

#### **(ix) INVESTMENTS**

The Leek Building Society account is currently accruing interest at 0.4%pa and Cllr Vallings sought feedback on other options to secure a higher return while having regard to the term and security of the funds. Cllr Vallings will research other accounts available to be considered by the Finance Committee which will then make a recommendation to a future meeting of full Council.

#### **18/03/8 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

The meeting considered this year's Annual Parish Meeting should be held in May at the Council Headquarters at Loggerheads Community Fire Station, to include a review of the year, hearing from groups who have received grants and how they were used for the benefit the community and for the creation of a Chair's Award for service to the community.

#### **18/03/9 TRAVIS PERKINS COMMUNITY AWARDS**

The meeting considered nominating a community group for a £5000.00 award in the category Community Health and Wellbeing. The award is defined as does the community initiative demonstrate the best effort to support individuals and foster a healthy, resilient and connected community. Cllr Gibson, seconded by Cllr Fox, proposed an application be made and to nominate the Befrienders. A vote was held with 15 in favour of the proposal. Cllrs Coulson, Dickson and Knight abstained.

#### **18/03/10 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE**

As agenda item 6.1

#### **18/03/11 COMMUNITY & SPORTS FACILITY UPDATE**

As agenda item 3 (iii)

#### **18/03/12 COMMUNITY MINIBUS**

Cllr Knight reported income remains disappointingly low.

#### **18/03/13 WORKING GROUPS & OTHER**

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

13.1 Highways Working Group – No update

13.2 Footpaths and Environment Working Group – The Tyrley Loop had been checked with necessary repairs being reported.

13.3 Youth Group – No update

13.4 Strategic Planning Group – No update

13.5 Village Halls & St Mary's School – The Friends of St. Mary's are holding a curry night at Ashley Spice on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March and improvements are being made to the access to the school in line with health and safety, and safeguarding guidelines.

13.6 Communication & Engagement Working Group – No update

13.7 Open Space Working Group – No update

**18/03/14 CORRESPONDENCE**

A summary of correspondence received at the Parish Council office between 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019 was noted including: Staffordshire County Council regarding the registration of the footpath between Little Heath Green & Clod Hall; NuLBC regarding the burning of rubbish on the allotments following a complaint from a resident; Pickers 'n Planters and Loggerheads Summer Fete 2019 have each written to thank the Council for their respective grants; the development at Mucklestone Road continues to be monitored for noise, mud on the road and parking, and an accident on the bend in Winnington which resulted in a biker breaking a leg had been referred to Highways.

**18/03/15 MATTERS REQUIRING ATTENTION WITHIN THE PARISH**

The following matters were considered: Police are investigating the death of a resident in Peatswood; Blocked drains and flooding in Ashley and Peatswood at the junction with Brodder will be reported again however have previously been advised these are non-priority; Mole hills on the playing field at Knighton had been flattened.

**18/03/16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at Loggerheads Fire Station.

Meeting Closed at 9pm.

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