



## LOGGERHEADS PARISH COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER AT 7PM

At Loggerheads Community Fire Station

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**PRESENT:** J Hodgkins (Chair)

D Butterworth	P Chamberlain
R Claydon	D Coulson
I Douglas	V Door
S Fox	J Friend
G Hughes	J Knight
E Martin	G Sedgley
A Swetman	J Vallings

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

#### 16/10/1 APOLOGIES

J Pimlott, L Gibson, P Henshaw

#### PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public in attendance.

#### 16/10/2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Sedgley and Friend declared an interest in item 7iii, grant for Knighton Village Hall, as trustees for the hall.

#### 16/10/3 PLANNING

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

**Application No:** 15/00506/NMA **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs C Goodhead **Proposed Development:** Application for a non-material amendment to alter (approved under planning permission 15/00506/FUL) to two storey rather than a dormer bungalow **Location:** Land adjacent to St Georges, Pinewood Road, Ashley

**OBJECTION:** Housing needs assessment shows bungalows are needed in Loggerheads.

**Application No:** 17/00779/OUT **Applicant:** Mr W Fair, Fair Fisheries **Proposed Development:** Outline planning for erection of site managers dwelling **Location:** Parsons Pool, Home Farm, Berrisford Road, Peatswood

NO OBJECTION

**Application No:** 17/00807/PLDLB **Applicant:** Canal & Rivers Tryst **Proposed Development:** Application for certificate of lawfulness of proposed works to a listed building – Replacement of top and bottom end mitre gates **Location:** Tyrley Lock Number 3 & 5, Stoneyford

NO OBJECTION

**Application No:** 17/00787/OUT **Applicant:** Mr CR Muller, Muller Property Group **Proposed Development:** Outline planning application for residential development of up to 70 dwellings including details of access **Location:** Gravel Bank, Mucklestone Road, Loggerheads

**OBJECTION:** Outside the village envelope; against Newcastle under Lyme Borough planning policies; Loggerheads Housing Needs Assessment does not identify a need for +70 dwellings. The meeting agreed to delegate a full and detailed response to the Clerk and Cllr Douglas.

**Application No:** 17/00605/FUL **Proposed Development:** Erection of 10 dwellings and public open space **Location:** Land off Woodrow Way, Ashley.

**OBJECTION:** Previous objections for the application that was 12 dwellings still apply. In addition the Parish Council makes the following comments and objections to the amended proposal for 10 dwellings and the additional report from Highways Consultant:

1. The 10 houses have not changed in type and are not what the Housing Needs Analysis shows is needed in the area, which is small houses and bungalows for young and older people.
2. The site is not in a sustainable location: no shop, school and no continuous, lit, safe footway to reach services and bus stop.
3. The access to the site remains a major factor. The Technical Note from Highways Consultant confirms that there are issues:
  - "Whilst the technical visibility splay to the north/right is slightly below the required stopping site distance by only 3m, effectively the bonnet length of a car. It should be noted however that only a small section of the carriageway is not visible immediately beyond the visibility splay to the north and in practice vehicles emerging from Woodrow Way are able to see vehicles approaching from a much longer distance, in excess of 60m." Charnes Road is narrow at the junction with Woodrow Way
  - The report summarises the lack of a continuous footway from the site along Charnes Road and Church Road to the bus stop with sporadic street lighting. This is not a safe or practical option for residents of the site.
  - The report states that "The proposed development is predicted to generate 6 vehicle movements in the peak hours (1 every 10 minutes), which will not materially affect the existing conditions." This application for dwellings with private parking and garaging for at least 30 vehicles suggest the number of vehicle movements at peak times must be at least 15.
  - The Technical Note and the Highways Department are both silent on the width of Woodrow way itself and the technical distance needed for construction traffic to access the site. The Borough's recycling truck is not able to access the full road and the width will not support the flow of construction traffic.

(ii) The meeting noted the following application has been permitted by NuLBC:

**Application No:** 17/00681/FUL **Applicant:** Mr R Simpson **Proposed Development:** First floor extension and rear balcony **Location:** Corner Cottage, 37 Eccleshall Road, Mucklestone

(iii) The meeting noted the following application has been withdrawn:

**Application No:** 17/00571/OUT **Applicant:** Mrs F Furnival, Field Farm Ashley Ltd **Proposed Development:** Outline application for an agricultural workers dwelling **Location:** Fields Farm, Wharmadine Lane, Ashley

#### 16/10/4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The meeting resolved that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017 be adopted and on the proposal of Cllr Vallings and seconded by Cllr Sedgley that the Chair be authorised to sign them as a correct record of proceedings.

#### 16/10/5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Clerk reported that the applications for a community award for Loggerheads Pickers n Planters and Bloom'In Ashley had not been successful this year. A response had been received to the complaint submitted to the Borough Council regarding lack of response to a letter sent on 23 May 2017.

#### 16/10/6 REPORTS

##### 6.1 County Councillor's Report

C/Cllr Northcott reported that 350-400 potholes were being repaired a week; Children's Services had been rated as "good"; CrowdFund Staffordshire had been launched, a new fundraising platform for people interested in raising money to help their local community; he had arranged a meeting on 12 December to discuss the 30mph speed restriction for Mucklestone.

##### 6.2 Borough Councillors' Reports

B/Cllr Northcott reported the Borough Council's move to the new council offices at Castle House had been delayed. B/Cllr Loades had met with Chief Executive regarding the lack of response from Planning to some letters and confirmed that there had been no progress with the recruitment of an additional Planning Enforcement Officer. Cllr Panter reported that he had seen an initiative in Liverpool to help refuse collection involving people on benefits and would report further at the next meeting.

### 7. FINANCIAL MATTERS

#### (i) ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

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

Date	Details	Amount	Method of payment
15/09/2017	Carrera Website Hosting –27/08/17 – 26/09/17	£78.00	BACS
25/10/2017	K Watkins Clerk Salary October	£984.94	cheque
15/10/2017	K Watkins – Mileage	£6.30	cheque
16/10/2017	K Watkins – Expenses	£5.99	cheque
26/09/2017	R Latham – September	£112.63	cheque
30/09/2017	P Martin – play area inspection September & Knighton refitting	£173.49	cheque
18/09/2017	BT – Internet September	£27.60	DD
30/09/2017	Perennial Landscapes – Parish Maintenance	£401.48	BACS

	September		
30/09/2017	Perennial Landscapes – Bark replacement at play areas	£1,086.00	BACS
30/09/2017	Perennial Landscapes – cutting at Wharmadine Lane	£108.00	BACS
05/10/2017	Venture Business Forms – newsletter	£594.00	BACS
21/09/2017	Grooms Gardening – Burntwood	£60.00	BACS
30/09/2017	Fuel genie – fuel for mini bus	£73.51	DD
29/09/2017	Playdale Ltd – zip wire at Bell Orchard	£718.91	BACS
15/10/2017	Amazon – Stool for minibus	£29.99	Card

**(ii) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

An updated income & expenditure account for the month of September 2017 was noted.

**(iii) GRANT APPLICATIONS**

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to the following applications under section 137 and resolved:-

- (a) To pay Loggerheads Football Club a grant of £600.00 for a replacement mower to cut football field and surrounds.
- (b) Knighton Village Hall for refurbishment for toilets up to £16,500.00 to request an independent survey of the cause of recurring mould in the toilets and what is required to resolve before refurbishment is done and to commit £500.00 to cover the cost of the survey.

**16/10/8 TREES AT HEATH GROVE**

The meeting was updated that the Clerk had been invited to view the map of Tree Preservation Orders at Heath Grove before considering the recommendation of the Finance Committee to remove trees at Heath Grove overhanging Pine Court at a cost of £1,400.00.

**16/10/9 BRITISH LEGION**

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee to make a donation to the British Legion of £50.00 and agreed to consider further at the next Finance Committee and liaise with the local branch.

**16/10/10 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE**

Cllr Swetman gave an update on progress with the Neighbourhood Plan. A draft Strategic Environment Assessment (SEA) had been received from Aecom and was positive. It had recommended two minor additions to policies and advice would be sought from the consultant who assisted with the policy preparation. Comments would be returned to Aecom on the draft before a final version would be published. The Draft Plan and SEA would then be ready for pre-submission consultation from the end of October for 6 weeks. Feedback from the recent Newcastle Borough Parish Council Forum was that the Borough would proceed with the OAN figures that they had consulted on as it followed current guidance and the new consultation on a proposed national model was not yet any more than a proposal.

**16/10/11 COMMUNITY & SPORTS FACILITY UPDATE**

Cllr Swetman reported that there was no update on the community and sports facilities in Loggerheads.

**16/10/12 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

12.1 Highways Committee – no update

12.2 Footpaths and Environment Committee – feedback on loops continued to be good. Cllr Knight requested support for an application for a public right of way designation for a path over Bridge 58 on canal.

12.3 Youth Sub-Group – activity planned for half term had been postponed to Christmas school holiday.

12.4 Working Group on Strategic Planning Matters - no update

12.5 Village Halls & St Mary’s School – Cllr Douglas reported that Ashley Memorial Hall had been redecorated and a mural painted on the wall at the back of the stage of notable buildings in Ashley. Cllr Pimlott was at a governors meeting at the same time as this Council meeting.

12.6 Newcastle Borough Parish Council Forum – reported under Neighbourhood Plan update.

12.7 Minibus – Cllr Knight gave an update on the use of the mini-bus which had been used for the first time by the Befrienders. One request had been turned down as not from a community group. A request from a resident to use the mini-bus for a company trip was considered and it was agreed this was not covered by the permit that the mini-bus is operating under. He asked that an item be included on future agendas to give an update on the mini-bus.

**16/10/13 CORRESPONDENCE**

A summary of correspondence received at the Parish Council office between 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017 and 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017 was noted including: letter of thanks from the Bowls Club for the grant, consultation request from Staffordshire County Council on the proposed growth of the school in Baldwin’s Gate and rights of way

**16/10/14 MATTERS REQUIRING ATTENTION WITHIN THE PARISH**

The following matters were considered: A stop warning sign at Napley is still awaited; the next meeting of the Newcastle Neighbourhood Plan Forum would be tomorrow evening; speeding on Gravelly Bank and Pinewood Road, Speed Watch to undertake activity at these locations; need to review arrangements for replacing the battery in the speed sign.

**16/10/15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at Loggerheads Community Fire Station.

Meeting closed 20.35pm.

Signed.....  
**CHAIR**