



LOGGERHEADS PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD REMOTELY ON MONDAY 15th JUNE 2020 AT 7PM

PRESENT: L Gibson (Chair)

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

B/Cllr B Panter

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No members of the public in attendance.

15/06/1 APOLOGIES

J Hodgkins, G Sedgley, E Martin, B/C/Cllr P Northcott

15/06/2 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

15/06/3 PLANNING

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

Application No: 20/00335/FUL **Applicant:** Mr A Furnival **Application:** Construction of portal frame agricultural building to accommodate dairy cows
Location: Park House Farm, Park Lane, Ashley

NO OBJECTION

Application No: 20/00232/FUL **Applicant:** Mr D Eardley **Application:** New agricultural building, formation of new access and track from Pinfold Lane and redirection of footpath **Location:** Upper House Farm, Pinfold Lane, Almington

NO OBJECTION subject to small footpath diversion being undertaken properly.

Application No: 20/00368/FUL **Applicant:** D And T Clee, J Wilson And M Lee
Application: Change of use of land to mixed use for the stabling/keeping of horses and as a residential caravan site for 4 gypsy families, together with erection of stable building, erection of 4 no. amenity buildings and laying of hardstanding **Location:** Site Off Newcastle Road Baldwins Gate

OBJECTION – The site is not in a sustainable location, the proposed access direct on to the A53 is at a dangerous point and the application does not comply with Borough Policy CSP7.

Application No: 20/00379/FUL **Applicant:** DFH Property Developments Ltd
Application: Application to vary condition 1 of planning application 16/00231/REM to reposition building within the site (Replace approved plan 2077/6 with 2077/6a)
Location: Lee Croft, Pinetrees Lane, Ashley

OBJECTION – The Parish Council had previously reported to the Planning Enforcement Officer as not built in accordance with the planning permission.

Application No: 20/00396/PLD **Applicant:** Mr K Wilson, HLW Farms
Application: Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for proposed replacement of existing permitted biomass boilers with 6no Oilon 1125kW Ground Source Heat Pumps **Location:** Old Springs Farm, Stoneyford

NO OBJECTION

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

Application No: 20/00265/FUL **Applicant:** Mr J Edge for JN & DM Farming
Application: Retention of grain store for the storage of the Farm grain harvest
Location: Manor House Farm, Park Lane, Ashley

Application No: 20/00304/FUL **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Deshpande **Application:** Rear single storey extension **Location:** 4 Burntwood View

(iii) The meeting noted the following applications had been refused by NuLBC:

Application No: 20/00245/PLD **Applicant:** Mr D Bridgwood **Application:** Garage conversion to include first floor extension **Location:** 3 Brookfield, Loggerheads

Application No: 20/00287/OUT **Applicant:** A Veitch Midland Contractors
Application: 4/5 bed detached house with garage and garden and parking
Location: 127 Jug Bank, Ashley

(iv) To receive an update:

Application No: 20/00158/REM **Applicant:** Plant Development Ltd **Application:** Reserved Matters application (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for residential development of 44 bungalows **Location:** Land off Eccleshall Road Loggerheads.

The meeting was updated this plot may still be owned by NuLBC as shown on Land Registry on 8th May 2020, and there appears to be no policy in place for the NuLBC to grant themselves planning permission. The latest tree report does not recognise that The Burntwood is an ancient semi-natural woodland (ASNW) and development near it requires compliance with the Government Planning Practice Guidance which states that only in exceptional circumstances should an ASNW be harmed by development. An addendum will be added to the Council's previous objection.

15/06/4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The meeting resolved that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 18th May 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.

15/06/5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Clerk reported Highways Department of Staffordshire County Council had confirmed a pedestrian crossing forms part of the Tadgedale planning permission by way of a condition and funded by C/Cllr Northcott's fund will undertake a feasibility study.

15/06/6 REPORTS

6.1 County Councillor's Report – No update.

6.2 Borough Councillors' Reports – Cllr Panter reported calls from residents regarding the new recycling arrangements and particular issues in Birks Drive had been resolved. An allegation of misuse of funds raised for SSAFA was being investigated. Decommissioned recycling bins can be used at home/in the garden/offered to a neighbour or if not required can be broken up and placed in the grey bin. NuLBC website says it has 'suspended its work on introducing a Community Infrastructure Levy charge' following the decision to prepare a new Joint Local Plan. The Clerk will write asking for an update.

15/06/7 FINANCIAL MATTERS

(i) ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

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

Date	Details	Amount	Approved
15/05/2020	Carrera Website Hosting – May 2020	£52.00	BACS
25/06/2020	K Watkins Clerk Salary June 2020	£1,128.36	BACS
25/06/2020	K Watkins – expenses June 2020	£4.50	BACS
31/05/2020	R Latham – May 2020	£203.20	BACS
31/05/2020	P Martin – play area inspection May 2020	£260.00	BACS
16/06/2020	BT – Phone/Internet	£59.99	DD
14/06/2020	LeasePlan – lease of Mini Bus May 2020	£546.60	DD
30/06/2020	Perennial Landscapes Ltd – parish maintenance – June 2020	£646.28	BACS
03/06/2020	Amazon – print cartridges	£63.57	Card
15/06/2020	HMRC - PAYE & NI Q1 2020/21	£453.68	Cheque

(ii) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

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

(iii) LOGGERHEADS FOOTBALL CLUB

Cllr Coulson updated the meeting following a recent meeting of the Open Space Working Group and a meeting with Loggerheads Football Club. Two containers could be purchased and fitted out to Football Association standards at a cost of £30,000.00 including the installation of electricity and water and tree work required for the site. Any excess would be covered by the football club. Repayments on a loan of £30,000.00 over 25 years at 2.4% fixed would be £802.00 every 6 months, £1,604.00 per annum. In the current Covid 19 pandemic grants are not available as those monies have been diverted to support existing clubs. The Parish Council will own the facility and Loggerheads Football Club will pay to use it and going forward it is anticipated other groups will be able to make use of it too. A budget for ongoing annual costs for power, water, insurance, maintenance and cleaning and for income will be considered at the next Finance Committee.

On the proposal of Cllr Coulson and seconded by Cllr Swetman the meeting resolved to seek approval of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to apply for a PWLB loan of £30,000 over the borrowing term of 25 years for changing facilities at the Burntwood football ground in line with planning permission approved

and accordingly to amend the Parish Council's 20/21 budget to include a line for the first PWLB repayment of £802 in February 2021 to be subtracted from the Contingency budget line.

The budget for 2021/22 will include the full year repayment of £1604 plus annual costs for power, water, insurance, maintenance and offset by income.

(iv) LEEK BUILDING SOCIETY FIXED RATE BOND

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to what to do with the investment in a Leek Building Society fixed rate bond as it matured on 5 June 2020 and on the proposal of Cllr Coulson, seconded by Cllr Roberts and following a vote the meeting resolved to deposit the balance in the Leek Building Society savings account with instant access, 1 councillor voted against.

(v) LOGGERHEADS BURNTWOOD LEASE

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to the proposed new lease on the Burntwood. NuLBC have requested that an exemption to the Landlord and Tenant Act is signed to prevent the new lease from simply rolling over on expiry. This new 25 year lease will provide certainty going forward and on the proposal of Cllr Dickson and seconded by Cllr Henshaw the meeting resolved for the Clerk to sign the lease on behalf of the Parish Council and Cllr Gibson will witness the signature. Further progress will be dependent on the restrictive covenant being removed from the title by Land Registry.

(vi) MINIBUS FUTURE OPTIONS

The meeting was updated that the minibus lease will have been in place for 3 years in August with 2 years to go at a cost of £546.60 per month. Following the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to seeking further information on options for the minibus lease going forward the lease company have advised to bring an early end to the lease would cost 5 months payments £2,277.50 plus VAT. As yet they had not provided a cost to purchase the minibus. On the proposal of Cllr Coulson, seconded by Cllr Dickson, and following a vote the meeting resolved to terminate the lease by paying 5 months payments plus VAT. There were 10 votes in favour and 5 abstentions.

(vii) MAINTENANCE AT HEATH GROVE AND HUGO WAY

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to requirements to maintain trees at Heath Grove and Hugo Way (allotments) and on the proposal of Cllr Swetman and seconded by Cllr Roberts the meeting resolved to proceed at a cost of £350.00 + VAT.

(viii) OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMEMORATION

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee to purchase 4 additional Soldier Silhouettes from a Market Drayton company at a cost of £180.00 and on the proposal of Cllr Swetman and seconded by Cllr Coulson resolved to proceed with one being given to each village.

On the proposal of Cllr Vallings and seconded by Cllr Claydon the meeting resolved to ask the Commemoration Working Group to consider the opportunity to commemorate two Belgian airmen who lost their lives on a training flight and came down in the Burntwood in 1944.

(ix) MARKET DRAYTON ROAD LV1

The meeting noted the response submitted to Newcastle under Lyme Borough Council regarding the land at Market Drayton Road had been acknowledged by them and would consider their response.

(x) GRANT APPLICATION

The meeting considered the recommendation of the Finance Committee with respect to a Section 137 grant application from St Mary's School to refurbish outdoor play equipment for £1000 and on the proposal of Cllr Coulson and seconded by Cllr Swetman resolved to proceed.

15/06/8 75th ANNIVERSARY OF VJ DAY 15 AUGUST 2020

The meeting considered if the Council wished to celebrate VJ Day in any way and given the current Covid 19 pandemic on the proposal of Cllr Chamberlain and seconded by Cllr Coulson resolved that the Council would not make any special arrangements and for individuals to mark the occasion in line with physical distancing guidance.

15/06/9 UPDATE FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllr Fox reported St Mary's opened on 1st June as planned with years 1 and 6 forming 3 classes each with dedicated staff and facilities. After a challenging 2 weeks things are going well with parents appreciating the effort the school has put in to keeping everyone safe. Cllr Friend reported the repairs to Knighton Village Hall

had been done with just the decorating to be done. Mucklestone Church will reopen tomorrow daytime and closed on Mondays for cleaning.

15/06/10 CORRESPONDENCE

A summary of correspondence received at the Parish Council office between 19th May 2020 and 15th June 2020 was noted including: regarding stiles in need of repair and a tree fallen at Lordsley; ownership of land at the junction of Reynards Rise and Fox Hollow.

15/06/11 MATTERS REQUIRING ATTENTION WITHIN THE PARISH

The following matters were considered: over 3 weeks 2 different sets of contractors had repaired pot holes in Mucklestone Wood Lane with varying degrees of success; there will be 4 way traffic lights at A53/Top Rock Road Monday to Friday next week; gullys had been cleared on the B5415; more people are following the Parish Council Facebook page.

15/06/12 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Finance Committee Monday 13th July 2pm.
Full Council Monday 20th July 7pm.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

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