

LUDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 21st JUNE 2016 AT 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Hughes, Beeley, Jones and Warrender.

In Attendance: J. Madge (Clerk), District Councillor Vaudry and 9 members of the public.

Apologies: Councillors Hegarty, Harriott and Nutt

1. Public Participation:

DCllr Vaudry explained that he was the SDC ward member for Bishopton and had Cabinet responsibility for Housing and Infrastructure and was therefore available to respond to questions about the proposed Long Marston Airfield development including the suggested south western relief road. The proposals were not part of the original draft Core Strategy in 2012 as SDC were looking at lower anticipated housing numbers and the Gaydon/Lighthorne proposal seemed adequate and acceptable to deal with the lower target. Higher housing numbers have been imposed on SDC by central government and therefore the Cala Homes proposal had gained momentum since 2014. SDC consider that they have undertaken more than adequate consultation over the proposals, and there had been discussions with Old Stratford & Drayton Parish Council prior to its disbandment, and the proposal had been mentioned to the Parish Council by DCllr Vaudry and there had been considerable work by DCllr Barnes too. The proposal, and the Core Strategy as amended is still in the policy phase, following which there will need to be outline and detailed planning stages to bring the proposals forward. DCllr Vaudry's understanding is that the Planning Inspector has dismissed all the objections to the Core Strategy Amendments, and that it is highly likely that it will be recommended for adoption at the Cabinet Meeting on 11th July 2016. Several opinions were expressed concerning the lack of public knowledge of the proposals until very recently suggesting flaws in the consultation processes, and concerning the need to protect Stratford from over-development, poor infrastructure management, and traffic chaos. It was also suggested that SDC should not place over-reliance on the expert opinions offered by developers, but should be more critical and challenging of such evidence, or reliant upon their own experts. The route, viability and effectiveness of the proposed road were also questioned, as well as its location in the River Avon flood corridor, which SDC policies state should be protected. There could be opportunities for raising such issues, and for other mitigation measures to be considered before and as part of the planning process.

2. Minutes of the Meeting held on the 17th May 2016 had been circulated and were approved and signed.

3. Matters Arising:

- (a) The Chairman has arranged to meet the Chairman of SDC and the Planning Manager on 24th June 2016 concerning the south west relief road proposal and welcomed any further questions to be put to them during the meeting.
- (b) Cllr Beeley had clarified his position concerning land affected by the proposed relief road and/or Shottery developments with the Clerk. The land referred to was owned by his parents adjacent to his family home, but he has and had no financial interest or control over the land or any decisions affecting it and therefore has no financial interest to declare. He accepted that he has a personal

interest, although he is due to move away from the family home in the near future.

4. County Councillor's Report: There was no report from CCllr Horner
5. District Councillor's Report: There was no report from DCllr Barnes
6. Finance:
 - (a) The Community Account stood at £7,605.57.
 - (b) The following bills were passed for payment:
 - i. £430.00 for P Rudge. There was some concern as to whether the work he is undertaking in the Churchyard is adequate. Cllr Hughes to discuss with him as to whether more time is required.
 - ii. £516.25 for Clerk's Salary and HMRC for the period April to June 2016
7. Specific Agenda Items:
 - (a) VDS Public Consultation. A display will be arranged to coincide with the Village Fete on 24th July 2016.
 - (b) Notice Board for Luddington Road. It was agreed that a suitable location for the re-erection of the Notice Board would be land adjoining the entrance to Stannells Close. It is likely that the land is part of the highway land and therefore permission would be required from WCC. There also appears to be a need for a bus shelter in the same location.
 - (c) Proposals for Boddington Farm – the owner has consulted concerning proposals to re-develop the stable yard into 5 residential units. Cllrs Nutt Hughes and Hegarty have visited the site to consider the proposals, and a planning application is anticipated shortly.
8. Correspondence:
 - (a) Warwickshire Coventry & Solihull Local Biodiversity Action Plan Final Progress Report for 2011-15
 - (b) NALC – Transparency Fund Committee funding report. Consideration as to whether a Council Facebook page would be more manageable than a website.
 - (c) NALC – 2016 to 2018 National Salary Award
 - (d) SDC Rural Crime Coordinator
 - (e) CPRE – advance notice of their AGM on 8th September 2016.
 - (f) Warwickshire Coventry and Solihull Local Biodiversity Action Plan Final Progress Report for 2011-2015.
 - (g) Clerk's letter of resignation with effect from 30th September 2016.
9. Planning:
 - (a) Twyman (16/00102/FUL) – Boddington Farm Luddington: change of use of land for equestrian purposes. Erection of 20m x 60m all weather ménage (private use). No objection
 - (b) Heyworth (16/01961/TREE) 204/205 Luddington: Fell and replace 4 conifers with a mix of yew and beech. No objection
10. Business for Future Consideration: None

Next Meeting scheduled for Tuesday 19th July 2016 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 10.12pm.