

Luddington Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held at Luddington Village Hall on 19th December 2017 at 19:30

Present: D Nutt (DN) (Chairman), J Warrender (JW) (Vice-Chairman),
A Hegarty (AJH), A Haines (ADH), C Wise (CW), W Hughes (WH)

In attendance: R D Armstrong (Clerk), M Brain (MB) (County Councillor),
P Barnes (PB) (District Councillor)

1. Record of members present

As shown above.

2. To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence

No apologies were received.

3. Declaration of interests in any item on the agenda

Councillors were reminded that they are required to disclose an interest in any item on the agenda.
JW and **CW** mentioned that they are members of the Stratford Residents Action Group.

4. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21st November 2017

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved.

5. To receive any questions or representations from the public

Mr Mike Hardwick introduced himself as a resident of the Parish with an interest in joining the Council to fill the vacancy created by a recent resignation. Members welcomed Mr Hardwick and described the role and responsibilities of a councillor.

6. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting not covered in the agenda

There were no matters arising.

7. County Councillor's Report

MB reported that he had received a response from WCC Highways concerning his request for a reduction in the speed limit on the B439 near Dodwell Park. The section of the B439 within the vicinity of Dodwell Park is currently governed by a 50mph speed limit, has red tarmac and also a flashing sign. A pedestrian refuge would not be a safe provision for pedestrians due to the lack of street lighting. It is also felt that there is insufficient carriageway width to accommodate such a feature. The request for a reduction in the Luddington Road speed limit will not be entertained by either WCC or the police.

WH asked whether an application could be made for funding to assist in the purchase of the village green under the County Councillor's Grant Scheme. **MB** responded that application forms would be available on the WCC website from 4 January 2018.

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MB reported that a stakeholder meeting to discuss the SWRR had taken place where the design of the bridge across the Greenway was discussed. There is confusion whether this will be arched or mounted on an embankment. Her report is appended to these minutes.

8. District Councillors Report

PB reported that WCC has withdrawn opposition to the Stratford to Honeybourne railway proposal.

PB further reported that the bridge over the Greenway would have to be 13.2 metres above ground level to allow the railway to pass under the road. A new entrance to the racecourse has also been considered. A station may be sited near to the racecourse.

Great Western Railways have included the *Stratford to Honeybourne Loop* in their franchise proposal together with the *Pershore Loop* and the *Oxford Loop*.

The Parish Council will be able to access the Community Infrastructure Levy from eligible developments from 1st February 2018.

9. Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported that £8461.07 was held in the Community account as at 19th December 2017.

The following accounts were presented for payment:

The Play Area Inspection Company	Play area inspection	100791	102.00
R D Armstrong	Salary	100792	644.31
Society of Local Council Clerks	Subscription	100793	72.00

DN proposed that the payments be approved and this was seconded by **JW** and passed unanimously.

The Clerk presented an updated draft of the budget for 2018/19. The following changes were considered, following a lengthy discussion :

- Grass cutting £1800
- Hall hire £350
- Repairs and maintenance £900
- Village Design Statement £150
- Reserve for purchase of the village green £2,000
- Reserve for environmental protection measures £4,000

The defibrillator will have annual running cost dependent upon use.

These changes are likely to result in a revised precept requirement of £10217, which would translate into an increase of 16.44% when compared with 2016/17.

The Clerk will update the budget and this will be presented at the next meeting.

The Clerk reported that competitive quotations have been sought from three companies and that submitted by P Rudge represented the best value. **DN** proposed that this quotation be accepted and this was seconded by **JW** and agreed unanimously.

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The Clerk reported that all correspondence received by the Council had been forwarded to members by email.

10. Planning

Updates

Scope/00030	SWRR; Designs/Elevations to be determined any time soon.
17/00561/FUL	Bordon Hill; This application will be refused in the near future.
17/01736/FUL	143 Luddington Road; Major Modernisation and Second Floor. Committee presentation due on 6th December was mistakenly not included on agenda at SDC.
17/02778/FUL	Glen Yeat, Evesham Road; 3 Storey Detached & Garage Block. CPRE object, Ecology query on pond, WC Highways no objection. LPC object. Refused 22/11/17.
17/02739/FUL	Willowmere, Welford; Agricultural Building/Store. Permission with conditions 05/12/17.
17/02869/FUL	139 Luddington Road; Proposed Rear/side single storey side extension, Timber Garage to rear and External Render. Comment by 7 th November 2017, determine by 20 th November 2017. Amendment 04/12/17; Permission with Conditions 08/12/17.
17/03175/VARY	Sandfields Barns, Luddington; Application for the removal of planning condition 2 (The use of the development hereby permitted shall be restricted to short-term holiday purposes only and shall not be occupied at any time as permanent residential accommodation). Application withdrawn 05/12/17.
17/03310/FUL	Avon Hill, Luddington Road, Luddington; First floor side extension, single storey rear and front extensions. External alterations to consist of replacement windows and the replacement of existing brick external materials with render on all elevations. Re-submission of 17/01673/FUL. Permission with conditions 14/12/17.
17/03325/FUL	95 Luddington Road; First floor side extension, single storey front extension with two and single storey rear extension and alterations to fenestration. Comment by 7 th December 2017, determination by 10 th January 2018. No representation comment made using delegated powers 06/12/17.

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New

- 17/03258/REM** Long Marston Airfield; Submission of Reserved Matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for 400 dwellings (Class C3), including open space, drainage works, highways works and all other associated work pursuant to planning permission 14/03579/OUT (Outline application (with all matters reserved (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for future determination) for the erection of up to 400 dwellings (Class C2/C3), up to 4,000m2 employment hub (Class B1(a)-(c)) and a community hub (Class A1-A5/B1(a)/C3/D1/D2). Provision of new open space including parks and amenity space. Upgrading of existing access junction and provision of new emergency access off Campden Road and associated infrastructure, engineering and landscaping works including a new pedestrian/cycle link from Campden Road to the Stratford Greenway, sustainable urban drainage systems and all ancillary enabling works including demolition of existing buildings and structures) dated 28th February 2017. Comment by 25th January 2018, determine by 30th May 2018. Members are invited to make comments on the planning board and **JW** will prepare a response.
- 17/03554/FUL** 71 Luddington Road; Two storey side and rear extension. Comment by 5th January 2018, determine by 19th January 2018.
- JW** proposed that no representation be made in respect of this application and this was seconded by **ADH** and passed unanimously.
- 17/03629/OUT** Land South of the A46 west of the proposed South Western Relief Road; Hybrid planning application comprising: Outline planning application with all matters reserved except for access for a mixed use business park comprising offices (B1a), research and development (B1b), light industry (B1c), general industrial (B2), storage and distribution (B8), car showrooms (sui generis) and bulky goods store (A1), café / amenity facilities (A1/A3), internal roads, car parking, service yards, pedestrian and cycle infrastructure and associated development; and full planning permission for new roundabout access from A46 and spine road, engineering operations comprising ground re-profiling, structural landscaping and associated development. Comment by 17/01/18, determine by 05/03/18.
- Members are invited to make comments on the planning board and **JW** will prepare a response.

Village Design Statement

WH presented the revised Luddington Village Design Statement for approval. The references to Sites of Special Scientific Interest have been removed and arrows to views outside the parish boundaries have been removed or shortened. These changes were made as a result of guidance received from John Careford at SDC.

WH proposed that the revised VDS be adopted and this was seconded by **JW** and passed by the majority of members.

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DEFRA Site

Cushman & Wakefield have reported the results of the community drop-in event held on 5th December which was well supported by local residents and a number of questionnaires were completed which will help to shape the final proposals.

The Council is being asked to discuss our preferences on the management of open space, provision of community space, ongoing maintenance and long-term management costs.

11. Environment

WH reported that there had been no further progress with the purchase of the village green. **WH** will continue to look into possible funding from **MB**, Luddington Village Fund and Luddington Village Hall Committee.

12. Health & Safety

AJH presented her report on Health and Safety matters.

Posters advising on the need for and availability of flu vaccines have been printed and displayed on the notice boards and in the Village Hall.

There was an abandoned fridge and other fly tipping in a field gate between Luddington Road and Luddington. There is also a supermarket trolley in the brook by the racecourse. It is very important that fly tipping is cleared away urgently as if it is allowed to remain, it attracts further tipping. Members were asked to telephone Stratford District Council if they notice any incidents of fly tipping and they will deal with it, usually very promptly. The same principle applies to litter. If there is visible litter on the verges and roadsides, people feel that it is acceptable to throw rubbish out of their cars. If you see litter, please pick it up and encourage others to look after the verges alongside or opposite their house.

The safety inspection report of the village green play area has highlighted several matters requiring rectification.

The Clerk presented a quotation for repairs to the play area swings submitted by Sovereign Play Equipment. The total cost quoted is £474.30 plus VAT. The Clerk will verify that the quotation includes all the parts identified for replacement in the inspection report. **AJH** proposed that the quotation be accepted and this was seconded by **DN** and passed unanimously.

ADH offered to carry out the cosmetic repairs identified in the inspection report.

13. Traffic Management & Community SpeedWatch

ADH presented his report on Traffic Management & Community SpeedWatch.

I have approached the local business Sandfields, to have an intro meeting and hear their concerns and feedback on traffic. No response as yet. Plan to approach other businesses in the area over the next month.

Daniel Payne has not responded to my email and voicemail to accompany me to the PCC meeting in January. I will take advice from the PC on whether I should approach Anne Jackson.

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I have researched radar activated speed signage but am not sure I should propose this at this time.

Traffic, including the WCC gritter, continues to take the Blackberry Lane bend far too fast, and/or appears to accelerate out of the bend as though on some sort of rally. Dewberry & Proud have extended their apologies for the behaviour of their driver who I am led to believe had undergone disciplinary action and additional training in understanding what weight limits mean and the weight of his vehicle which was over weight to the tune of 15 tonnes and driven dangerously.

An inappropriate traffic log has been created on the traffic board and members are encouraged to post any relevant events.

14. Crime Prevention & Fire Safety

No activity

15. Communication & Engagement

No activity

16. Business for future consideration

No business was highlighted for future consideration

17. Any Other Business

The Clerk requested that the January 2019 meeting of the Council be cancelled to accommodate annual holidays.

DN reported that he will be tendering his resignation from the Council with effect from 31st December 2017. Members expressed their gratitude for the work which he has performed for LPC and wished him well for the future.

The Clerk will confirm the arrangements for **JW** to succeed **DN** as Chairman. This may require a vote at the January meeting.

18. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 16th January 2018 at 19:30 at Luddington Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 22:00.

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Notes

Indices to the open and closed issues referred to in these minutes can be found on the Parish Council website.

Abbreviations used:	DN	-	D Nutt	LPC Chairman
	JW	-	J Warrender	LPC Vice-Chairman
	AJH	-	A Hegarty	LPC Councillor
	ADH	-	A Haines	LPC Councillor
	CW	-	C Wise	LPC Councillor
	WH	-	Wendy Hughes	LPC Councillor
	MB	-	Mike Brain	WCC Councillor
	PB	-	P Barnes	SDC Councillor
	MG	-	M Giles	SDC Councillor
	SDC	-	Stratford District Council	
	LPC	-	Luddington Parish Council	
	SRAG	-	Stratford Residents Action Group	
	WCC	-	Warwickshire County Council	
	LMAGV	-	Long Marston Garden Village	

Signed: _____ J Warrender (Vice-Chairman) Date: _____