

Luddington Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held at Luddington Village Hall on 18th September 2018 at 19:30

Present: J Warrender (JW) (Chairman), C Wise (CW) (Vice-Chairman), A Hegarty (AJH), M Hardwick (MH), A Haines (ADH)

In attendance: R D Armstrong (Clerk), P Barnes (PB) (District Councillor), S Brooke-Taylor (SBT) (WRCC)

Members of the public: 3

1. Record of members present

As shown above.

2. To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence

Apologies were received and approved from MB.

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. No interests were disclosed.

4. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th July 2018

AJH proposed that the minutes of the meeting of 17th July 2018 be approved and this was seconded by JW and passed unanimously.

5. To receive any questions or representations from the public

Members of the public commented on the following matters:

- The current situation regarding the footpath adjacent to All Saints Church.
- The murals and notice board constructed in the conservation area.
- The river bank around the lock which is overgrown and untidy.
- The application of Village Design Statement rules in relation to planning application 18/02441/FUL.

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

Footpath adjacent to all Saints Church

JW has spoken to the WCC Rights of Way Officer concerning the church footpath who confirmed that the person concerned had a right to install the gate, but he should have sought permission. All public rights of way should be accessible and stiles are not a preferred option. The string marking the edge of the footpath is acceptable, providing it does not limit the width of the footpath below 1.8m.

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The display board does not represent any impact or harm and WCC is unlikely to take any action. The stile at the edge of the road needs repair and this can be addressed if funding can be identified.

The Parish Council will write to the person concerned to emphasise the rules to be followed and that consent is required before entering land owned by the Parish Council with any vehicles or machinery. A sign will also be purchased in due course highlighting this restriction.

Unauthorised constructions in the conservation area

SDC are carrying out an assessment of the murals and a decision will be made whether any enforcement action is required.

River bank near the lock

The area of river bank around the lock is considerably overgrown with thistles and needs maintenance. **MB** will be asked to contact Avon Navigation Trust to request that they address the matter.

7. County Councillor's Report

MCB reported the following in writing:

- The planning application for the controversial South Western Relief Road has been published by Stratford District Council and is out for consultation
- Links the SWRR to The A46 Alcester Road by way of an Estate Road from a new traffic Island on the B439 Evesham Road at Bordon Hill works will commence soon during December or January 2019?. This I'm sure will cause major disruption to traffic, especially at peak times. Works are expected to last several months and I have already raised my concerns about traffic taking alternative inappropriate routes through our villages.
- A consultation has been launched into how Warwickshire County Council will support the health and wellbeing of young people in the county. The consultation provides an opportunity to share your views and experiences of the service and comment on possible future provision. The findings will be used to shape the new service which will be implemented in Autumn 2019.
- September 2018 marks the seventh global World Alzheimer's Month, an international campaign to raise awareness of dementia and challenge stigma of dementia. Alzheimer's Disease is the most common form of dementia and affects approximately three quarters of people with dementia. This World Alzheimer's Month, Warwickshire County Council and partners are calling on Warwickshire residents and workforce to take action (whether big or small) to improve the everyday lives of people affected by dementia.
- Influenza Prevention – people aged 65 and over are at greater risk of having serious complications from the flu compared with younger, healthy adults. These complications could include developing bronchitis or pneumonia. Catching flu can also make some existing conditions worse.
- With autumn on its way Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service (WFRS), the National Association of Chimney Sweeps and HETAS have joined forces to urge householders to ensure their chimney is safe and to have their chimney swept by a registered chimney sweep this Chimney Fire Safety Week (3 – 9 September). There were 65 chimney fires across the county between April 2017 and March 2018.
- As SDC's Portfolio holder for Waste & Recycling I am acutely aware that during the summer months recycling your food waste can be less appealing as the combination of warmer weather and food may provide a breeding ground for flies and maggots. However, you can go a long way to make sure your green wheeled bin and food caddy does not attract unwelcome visitors.
- Timeshare scams haven't gone away! That's the warning from Warwickshire County Council Trading Standards as millions of sun-worshippers take to the skies for their annual holiday.

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- Stratford-on-Avon District Held a 3 Tier Highways/Parking Event at Stratford upon Avon Racecourse on 6th September 18. I was a panel member as Portfolio Holder for parking at SDC and was attended by Officers, Councillors and Parish Clerks from WCC, SDC & Parish Councils. The subject was parking: on and off-street parking, parking contraventions, obstructing the Highway, parking on footpaths and outside schools etc.

8. District Councillors Reports

PB reported the following:

- The planning application for 198 Luddington Road (18/01612/FUL) has been referred to the Planning Committee.
- I will support the planning application for Manor Leys (18/02441/FUL) as there have been letters of support from several neighbours.
- I have raised objections to the housing developments at LMAGV on the basis that the transport infrastructure does not exist and the B4632 cannot carry the traffic volumes being anticipated.
- 500 houses approved in my area will be fitted with bird or bat boxes.

9. Clerk's Report

£9131.12 was held in the Community account as at 29th August 2018.

All correspondence received by the Council has been forwarded to members by email.

The following accounts were presented for payment:

Alex Gretton	Grass cutting	100815	384.00
R D Armstrong	Salary	100816	644.31
R D Armstrong	Stationery	100817	109.39
GeoXsphere Ltd	Annual subscription	100818	38.40

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

10. Affordable Housing

SBT, Rural Housing Enabler at Warwickshire Rural Communities Council joined the meeting to discuss the creation of affordable housing in the Parish which is wanted and needed.

The last housing needs survey was carried out in 2007 when a need for 5 homes was identified. A new survey, which would be at no cost to the Council, would comprise a cover letter and a series of questions concerning local housing need in the Parish. The responses are returned to WRCC for analysis and a report is produced for LPC and SDC.

CW commented that the Parish Council is currently under considerable pressure to respond to the planning application for the South-Western Relief Road which would allow little time for a survey to be carried out.

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The DEFRA site, which is brownfield, would supply district, rather than simply local housing need. **JW** commented that it would be difficult to interest a developer until the site had been cleared and certified.

AJH asked whether the homes at Dodwell Park, which are not of brick and mortar construction, would be treated differently. **SBT** responded that this made no difference as the occupants of the homes are housed.

CW enquired as to the timescale for completing the exercise and **SBT** responded that it would typically take 10 weeks from agreeing the survey questions to receiving the report. The survey could also be combined with any other questions that the Council wished to ask.

A board will be set up on the forum to discuss the survey questions and timetable.

11. General Data Protection Regulations

JW asked how the collection of email addresses for a Parish newsletter could conform to GDPR. **ADH** advocated the establishment of an LPC email system hosted on a secure server which his company would host. This system would be appropriate for storing Parish Council electronic correspondence.

ADH offered to create generic accounts for the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Clerk and other areas of responsibility within LPC.

12. Planning

DEFRA Site

The application for outline planning consent has been referred to the Planning Committee meeting on 25th July 2018 at 18:00 Planning officers have recommended approval by the committee.

Updates

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| 18/01892/OUT | Long Marston Airfield Outline application (with all matters reserved) for a phased development comprising up to 3,100 new homes (Class C2/C3), employment (Use Classes B1(a)-(c)) including a business park of approximately 5.7ha (gross) and further employment space/land within mixed-use areas, village centre comprising a range of uses (Use Classes A1-A5/B1(a)/D1/D2), plus two primary schools and one secondary school. Provision of new open space including parks and amenity space. Comment by 31st October 2018, Determine by 30th September 2019. |
| 18/01664/FUL | Land South of Bordon Hill Farm Evesham Road Stratford-upon-Avon Proposal; Erection of 99 dwellings with associated access and landscaping, and the demolition of existing farm buildings. Comment by 10th August 2018, Determine 17th October 2018. |
| 18/00940/OUT | Veterinary Investigation Centre Luddington, CV37 9SJ; Outline application with all matters reserved except access for a Local Needs Scheme for up to 20 dwellings, open space and associated infrastructure. DEFRA VL Site; Cushmans, Homes & Communities Agency and Zebra Architects. It is mooted that the site may need to be cleared at Government cost before a sale of land is viable. |
| 17/03258/REM | Long Marston Airfield First 400 Houses;
Revised determination date 31st July 2018. No decision as of 14th September 2018. |

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- 17/03629/OUT** Land south of the A46 West of the proposed Western Relief Road Alcester Road Stratford-upon-Avon. Mixed use business park development.
Revised determination date 3rd August 2018 due to modification of landscape/trees. No Decision as of 14th September 2018.
- 18/01612/FUL**
18/01613/LBC 198 Luddington Road Luddington CV37 9SJ; Partial demolition of rear single storey extension and construction of new single storey rear extension.
Referred to Planning Committee meeting 26th September 2018.
- 18/02166/FUL** Beaconwood, Bordon Hill Stratford-Upon-Avon CV37 9RX; Erection of new dwelling.
Comment by 30th August 2018, determine by 28th September 2018. Notified as adjoining parish only. Town Council and CPRE are objecting
- 17/02778/FUL** Glen Yeat, Evesham Road, Dodwell; Construction of three storey detached house and garage block. This application was originally refused and has now been appealed.
Appeal reference APP/J3720/W/18/3200143 in progress.
- 18/02441/FUL** Manor Leys, Luddington Road, Luddington, CV37 9SJ; Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement dwelling utilising existing access.
JW commented that the applicant's designer had chosen to ignore the provisions of the VDS concerning the use of appropriate materials in the submitted design. **JW** further commented that all the comments made in support seem to bear striking similarities. **JW** proposed that LPC object to the application and this was seconded by **CW** and passed with three votes in favour and two abstentions.
Comment by 19th September 2018, determine by 19th October 2018. As of 14th September 2018, neighbours 3:1 in favour

13. South-Western Relief Road

- 18/01883/FUL** Construction of a south western relief road to Stratford-upon-Avon extending between the A3400 Shipston Road near Orchard Hill Farm and the Luddington Road/B439 Evesham Road. The proposed road incorporates: a bridge structure over the River Avon and Stratford Greenway and associated viaduct approaches and embankments; provision of new footpaths; provision of new junctions between the relief road and Luddington Road, B4632 Clifford Lane/Campden Road and A3400 Shipston Road with associated alignment alterations; provision of new accesses to Stratford-upon-Avon Racecourse and Clifford Business Park; associated infrastructure (including lighting), utilities, engineering (including drainage works) and landscaping works.
An SWRR Open Day will be held at the village hall on 13th October. The Clerk will circulate invitations on Doodle to agree get-together meetings before and after the open day. **JW** proposed that LPC object to the application and this was seconded by **MH** and passed unanimously.
Comment by 31 Oct 2018, determine by 30/9/2019

14. DEFRA Site

No matters to report.

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15. Environment

The Clerk reported that SDC planning enforcement had been contacted concerning the pollarding of the willows on the river bank near the lock. SDC will write to Avon Navigation Trust to explain the need for a planning application to be made before tree maintenance work is carried out in the conservation area.

The next meeting of the Estate Trustees of Ragley Hall will be in November when a final decision can be made regarding the disposal of the Village Green.

16. Health & Safety

AJH reported the plastic safety barriers located at the end of Luddington Road have been relocated to the village hall.

A parishioner had pointed out that a tree on the Church Close had some dangerous overhanging branches. **AJH** will contact the tree officer at SDC.

17. Traffic Management & Community SpeedWatch

ADH has obtained speed limit stickers to affix to wheelie bins.

18. Crime Prevention & Fire Safety

No matters to report.

19. Communication & Engagement

The SWRR Open Day has been booked at the village hall on 13th October.

CW and **JW** will begin work on the first Parish Newsletter as soon as possible, and this will publicise the Open Morning on 13th October and will provide an opportunity to distribute the "slow down" stickers for wheelie bins that **ADH** kindly organised.

20. Business for future consideration

21. Any Other Business

The Clerk informed the Council that it was his intention to stand down from his role as soon as a replacement could be recruited. This would hopefully take place within the next six months.

The Clerk asked members to consider the budgets which they wished to be considered for 2019/20. The final budget would need to be ready for submission in early December.

22. Date of Next Meeting

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

The meeting closed at 21:30.

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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:	JW	-	J Warrender	LPC Chairman
	CW	-	C Wise	LPC Vice-Chairman
	AJH	-	A Hegarty	LPC Councillor
	ADH	-	A Haines	LPC Councillor
	CW	-	C Wise	LPC Councillor
	MB	-	M Brayshay	LPC Councillor
	MH	-	M Hardwick	LPC Councillor
	MCB	-	M 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	
	ANT	-	Avon Navigation Trust	

Signed: _____ J Warrender (Chairman) Date: _____