

# Luddington Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting held at Luddington Village Hall on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 19:30

Present: J Warrender (JW) (Chairman), A Hegarty (AJH), M Brayshay (MB),  
R Hayden (RH)

In attendance: R D Armstrong (Clerk), P Barnes (PB) (District Councillor)

Members of the public: 4

### 1. Record of members present

As shown above.

### 2. To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence

Apologies were received and approved from **AJH**.

### 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.

**RH** declared his interest in planning application 19/00221/FUL.

### 4. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019

**JW** proposed that the minutes of the meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 be approved and this was seconded by **RH** and passed unanimously.

### 5. To receive any questions or representations from the public

Mr D Nutt asked whether WCC, who have submitted a bid for funding from the infrastructure budget to build the SWRR, have explored all the available alternative routes have been fully assessed. **JW** responded that an email had been sent to all members of the WCC cabinet, stressing the risks involved in making the bid. One such risk is a problem with the gas main which passes under the Long Marston site. The joint highway authorities have submitted a lengthy document containing detailed questions concerning the bid. SDC will be sending a S22 letter to Cala Homes in the near future.

Mr D Nutt asked what action LPC had taken concerning the likely use of Luddington Road as an alternative route for traffic trying to avoid the inevitable queues which will build up when construction of the SWRR roundabout begins. **JW** responded by reporting that he had been in contact with SDC concerning the environmental and traffic impact review which is outstanding from Bloor Homes which is being prepared at the moment.

Mr D Nutt asked whether there had been any progress in designating Luddington Road as a *quiet lane* under S268 of the Transport Act 2000. **JW** responded that this would be progressed when the environmental and traffic impact review had been published by Bloor Homes.

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Mr D Nutt also reported that the rights of way officer from WCC had made a site visit and had given approval for the track between his property and the main road to be surfaced.

Mr T Smallman enquired whether the placement of 'boulders' on the grass verge outside their property which caused damage or injury to a member of the public would render him liable to prosecution. The Clerk will follow this up and report to the next meeting.

Mr D Heyworth enquired whether correspondence concerning the problems concerning the Luddington Osier Beds Nature Reserve would be published as part of the minutes. **JW** responded that the correspondence did not form part of a Council meeting and was not therefore included in the minutes. The advice contained in the correspondence would be published in due course as part of a comprehensive policy document concerning the nature reserve.

Mrs J Smallman enquired why the nature reserve area had been cleared when an otter holt was present on the land. **JW** responded that the clearance work had been a genuine mistake/misunderstanding and that an unreserved apology had been conveyed to the parishioners involved. Notwithstanding that the work went awry, it was the Councils' belief that members of the public requested the area to be made safe with new fencing in order to make it more accessible to the public. This was expressed during the representations from the public during the October 2018 Council meeting and so the clearance work was undertaken as part of this request.

Mr D Heyworth enquired whether the ownership of the land adjacent to All Saints Church had been resolved. The Clerk responded that a great deal of work had been carried out to register the land in the name of the Council. An outstanding issue remained concerning the nature reserve where ownership could not be confirmed. It may be necessary to register this as common land with Warwickshire County Council.

## **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**

**MCB** was unable to attend the meeting and extended his apologies.

## **8. District Councillors Reports**

**PB** reported the following matters:

- At a meeting some time ago both the east and west relief roads were looked at in a Core Strategy meeting, and I voted for the east relief road but lost buy a few votes. This route was supported in 1962 by both the town council and MP at a by-election. I still believe that the best route for a bypass around town is from the Banbury Road.
- My proposal for a rail link to the LMGV was defeated, but a new motion came forward to do a rail and road option of much needed improvement. This has not started and we wait and see what happens but the LMGV is in an unsustainable location with B C D E roads around the area.
- The planning application for 299 homes in Shottery has been approved.
- Council tax increases: SDC +1.5%, Police +11.8%, WCC +3%
- **PB** will be standing in the District Council elections on 2 May 2019.

## **9. Clerk's Report**

The Clerk reported that £11,030.31 was held in the Community account as at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

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The following accounts were presented for payment:

R D Armstrong	Salary	100829	644.31
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**JW** proposed that the payment be approved and this was seconded by **AJH** and passed unanimously.

The Clerk requested that members approve the purchase of BrightPay for payroll processing at a cost of £49.00 per annum. **JW** proposed that the purchase be approved and this was seconded by **AJH** and passed unanimously.

The Clerk distributed nomination packs for the forthcoming Parish Council elections and explained the way in which the forms should be completed. Forms should be returned to **JW** who will deliver them to the Clerk.

The risk assessment and risk register will be discussed at the next meeting.

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

## 10. Affordable Housing

**JW** suggested that we wait until the full application for the DEFRA site has been submitted.

## 11. General Data Protection Regulations

**JW** requested that his notes concerning GDPR drawn from the training session on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 be incorporated in the Council's privacy policy. The Clerk will update the policy and publish the revised version on the LPC website.

## 12. Planning

### Updates

- 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.  
**Objection submitted. Determine by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.**
- 17/03629/OUT** Land south of the A46 Alcester Road Stratford-upon-Avon. Mixed use business park development. Revised (3rd Time)  
**Determine 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019.**
- 18/03639/OUT** Unit 7 Dodwell Trading Estate Evesham Road Dodwell Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 9ST.  
**Approved 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019 with conditions and reserved matters pending.**
- 18/03778/FUL** Bordon Hill Farm Bordon Hill Stratford-Upon-Avon CV37 9RX. Proposal: single storey orangery plus first floor extension.  
**LPC Support, Approved 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019.**

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- 19/00131/FUL** 1 Dodwell Farm Cottage Evesham Road Dodwell CV37 9SY. Proposal: Single storey side and rear extensions (demolition of existing garage)  
**Approved 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019 with conditions.**
- 19/00263/TREE** Honahlee Luddington CV37 9SJ T1 - Hawthorne - Fell Application. Application for tree felling in CA.  
**Approved 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019 with conditions to protect wildlife.**
- 19/00221/FUL** Arthurs Seat 194 Luddington Road Luddington CV37 9SJ; Proposal: oak framed single car port to side of property. **RH** recused himself whilst this matter was discussed. **JW** proposed that the application be supported as it conformed to the Village Design Statement and was in keeping with other such car ports in the vicinity. **AJH** seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
- SN/11/040** New Street Name Consultation - Boddington Farm, Luddington, Stratford-upon-Avon, CV37 9SD. Under Section 17 of the Public Health Act the developer has put forward the name 'The Farmstead'. If this name is not adopted by the Parish Council, valid reasons must be given in your response as these may form part of a report to the Portfolio Holder should a dispute arise.  
**JW** pointed out that the name Boddington Farm has been in use since the 19<sup>th</sup> century and is ingrained in the history of Luddington. In addition, the name of The Old Forge is considered inappropriate as a property with the same name already exists in the village. **JW** proposed that LPC respond that we wish the name of Boddington Farm to be retained. This was seconded by **AJH** and it was passed unanimously.

### 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, provision of new accesses to Stratford-upon-Avon Racecourse and Clifford Business Park.  
**LPC Objection, Determine by 30/9/2019. Application to apply for government funds of £86m approved by WCC 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019.**

**JW** reported that WCC have issued notice for 3-way Traffic Lights at junction of Luddington Road/Evesham for 8th April for a period of 1 year to commence new roundabout. A Construction Management Plan has not been submitted by Bloor Hallam under condition 6 of approval. **JW** has been in contact with SDC and Bloor on this subject. On 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 Bloor sub-contracted the clearance of the Luddington Road hedgerow in its entirety, not sections as was advised. Many issues arose from this destruction including date, method and planning. Bloor insist that SDC gave permission although the Landscape plan did not include this section. SDC's Alice Cosnett defended this saying it was in the general construction area. **JW** is in the process of lodging a formal complaint to SDC with help from Cllr Peter Moorse.

### 14. DEFRA Site

- 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; Cameron Homes purchase date now 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019 – details coming soon. **JW** spoke to Richard Doffman on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 for an update.

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## **15. Environment**

**MB** reported that no decision by the Estate Trustees of Ragley Hall had been made Their next meeting is due to take place before the end of March 2019.

The Clerk reported that he had met with our solicitors on site on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 to assist in their understanding of the site layout. An opinion will be considered and communicated to LPC in the coming weeks.

**JW** reported that a length of hedgerow, not included in the landscape plan, had been removed. **JW** will be making a formal complaint to SDC in respect of this unauthorised activity.

**JW** reported that the planned maintenance to the footpath between Stannells Close and the racecourse meadow would not now take place as residents now felt that the path should remain unchanged. This included those residents who had originally requested that the maintenance be carried out.

## **16. Health & Safety**

No matters to report.

## **17. Traffic Management & Community SpeedWatch**

No matters to report.

## **18. Crime Prevention & Fire Safety**

No matters to report.

## **19. Communication & Engagement**

No matters to report.

## **20. Business for future consideration**

There was no business for future consideration.

## **21. Any Other Business**

**JW** reported that a parishioner had expressed an interest in taking on the role of Parish Clerk. There will be a period of training and working as Assistant Clerk to ensure a smooth handover. Training sessions for new clerks and councillors have been identified and will be circulated to identify those who would like to attend.

The Clerk reported that **ADH** had resigned from the Council. The vacancy will be filled at the forthcoming Parish Council elections.

## **22. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at 19:30 at Luddington Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 21:20.

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## Notes

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
	RH	-	R Hayden	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: \_\_\_\_\_