

# LYONSHALL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Meeting

### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021, 7.15pm Virtual Meeting

**Councillors Present:** Cllrs Paul Avery (Chair), Kate Lomax, Steve Fatcher, Ray Richards, Andrew Turner, Rod Bevan, Sandy Lampitt, Chris Auger, Gill Cowling, Roger Phillips and Clerk Rebecca Bissell.

3 members of the public.

- Concern was raised by a parishioner regarding speeding along the A480. Cllr Bevan and CSO Rawlinson provided information on current enforcement and the implementation and success of the Speed Indicator Device. Speeding in the parish is a high priority for the Parish Council and it will continue to liaise with the police on enforcement.
- Further Concern was raised regarding dog mess in the village and Webbs Meadow. This item is discussed under agenda item 132/20.

Community Support Police officer Felix Rawlinson in attendance reporting:

- Incident levels in the area is low. Two van thefts were reported in January. There are currently no lines of enquiry and members of the public are asked to report any unusual behaviour or suspicious activity.
- Speeding enforcement continues to take place at Fishpools and several tickets have been raised.
- Cllr Lomax asked about concerns local parishioners have about dog thefts. Only one theft has been reported in the area at Titley some time ago. Again, the advice is to be vigilant, be aware and be careful.

Councillor Phillips updated:

- Major incident reported recently in neighbouring Pembridge Parish.
- Council tax rise 4.9% to be discussed at Herefordshire Council budget meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> February.
- The Parish must continue to assess areas for flooding and act accordingly by arranging clearing vegetation and ditches.
- Pembridge Parish will be trialling a 20mph speed limit throughout the village. If successful it is hoped this initiative can be rolled out to other villages in Herefordshire.

#### **121/20. Apologies for Absence.**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Richard Davies who was unable to attend due to technical issues.

#### **122/20. Declaration of Interest and Written Requests for Dispensation on Agenda Items.**

There were no declarations of interest declared on the agenda and the Register of Interest book was held by the clerk for recording.

#### **123/20. Approval of the Minutes.**

The minutes of the meetings of 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020 were **approved** to be signed by Chairman.

#### **124/20. Planning Applications:**

**Planning Application recently received:**

- 210012 – Laurel Cottage, Holme Marsh, HR5 3JS - **SUPPORT**  
Convert outbuilding to holiday let
- 204283 – Park Style, Bullocks Mill, HR5 3SD- **SUPPORT**  
Listed building consent for various improvements including damp treatment, plastering, gutter works, rendering and drainage.
- 204552 – (site B2) Land adjacent to Upper House, Lyonshall, Hr5 3JN- **SUPPORT**  
Variation of condition 2 of permission 152330 minor changes to design on several plots

**Recent Planning Applications still awaiting determination:**

- 192994 – Land Adjacent to New Chapel house, Lyonshall, Kington. - **SUPPORT**  
Proposed erection of a new detached dwelling and garage, plus garage for existing dwelling (New Chapel House)
- 182135 – Land at Burgoynes, Lyonshall, HR5 3JR – **SUPPORT with conditions**  
Proposed siting of up to 4 mobile homes to accommodate seasonal workers.
- 181494 – Land Adjacent to Spring Cottage, Headbrook, Kington HR5 3DY. - **SUPPORT**  
Proposed land for residential development and associated work together with public open and local green space.

**Planning Decisions:**

- 200421 – No 1 & No 2 Brick Cottages. Lyonshall HR5 3LW – **SUPPORT- APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**

Proposed sub-division of dwelling to form two properties, work included demolition of extensions and construction of two storeys

**125/20. Clerk's Report.**

- Letter sent to Herefordshire Council regarding serious flooding concerns at Holme Marsh following progress on the new housing development.
- More sandbags have been delivered and are stored in the box at Burnt Orchard.
- The new speed indicator device (SID) has been delivered and erected at Burgoyne's bank until the end of March. The new base installation along the C1031 is still outstanding.
- A new gate for LZ3 has now been delivered and will be installed very soon.
- Tree pruned by Holme Marsh bus shelter
- Met with S Price to arrange new gate installation on LZ3 and discuss future footpath works.

All other items from previous agendas are being dealt with.

**126/20. Financial Report and Approve Payments.**

All Payments approved unanimously.

**Financial Report as at – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021.**

Bank statements reconciled to VT cashbook 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021.

**Balances on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021:**

Community account	£15640.89
Savings account	£14222.71 (including £0.13 interest)
Playground account	£ 608.70
Business Saver account	£ 409.55

**Income received since last meeting**

None.

**Payments for Approval**

Clerk's Salary & HMRC for January 2021

Clerks Exp	Expenses	£339.89	
Shaun Price	Works orders	£714.00	
Kington Building Supplies	Sandbags	£112.25	+VAT
Viking	Stationery	£79.01	+VAT
Stocksigns Ltd	Back plats for SID	£306.75	+VAT
Upperbridge LLP	Annual Website Fees	£198.87	+VAT

**127/20. Developments Concerning the Mission Hut at Home Marsh.**

Cllr Avery advised that the group considering the transfer of ownership of the Mission Hut from Harpers development has now withdrawn. Following a conversation with Harpers, the developers are willing to demolish the hut and fence around the area to donate the land to the community and transfer title to the Parish Council. Councillors discussed the proposal and **AGREED** to accept the land on the terms set out ensuring there would be no cost to the Parish Council. The land would be managed and maintained by a Holme Marsh residents' group.

PA to confirm details.

**128/20. Request for Public Meeting on Foxhole Shoots.**

Councillors have received a parishioner request for a public meeting to discuss concerns for the coming shooting season at Foxhole Shoots. A public meeting will be held in March to ensure parishioners can raise their concerns and discuss how best the Parish Council can support them. Clerk to arrange date and advertise.

**129/20. Mowing Contract 2021.**

Councillors reviewed the tenders received for the 2021 mowing contract of amenity and playground grass cutting. It was **AGREED** unanimously to award the contract to Mr S Price starting in March 2021. Clerk to write.

**130/20. Balfour Beatty Lengthsman and P3 Scheme 2021-22.**

As works are carried out on highways and footways in the parish by contractors on behalf of the Parish Council there is an obligation to join the Balfour Beatty Lengthsman and P3 scheme for 2021. Following discussion Councillors **AGREED** to join the scheme 2021. Clerk to complete expression of Interest form and send.

**131/20. Ideas for Post Covid Event.**

Cllr Auger and Turner will investigate options for a post Covid event when the pandemic is over.

**132/20. Dog Poo Bin Provision in the Village.**

Further complaints of dog mess have been reported especially on Webbs Meadow and Councillors discussed dog bin provision for the area. The road is not adopted but footpath LZ8 is heavily used by parishioners. The landowner does not want bins erected on the land and the responsibility to empty them would fall to a volunteer. Following further discussion on options available, Councillors **AGREED** to purchase a variety of signs to be installed strategically around the village. Clerk to purchase and Cllr Lomax to install appropriately.

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**133/20 Purchase of Extra Fittings for the Speed Indicator Device.**

Cllr Bevan updated Councillors on the installation of the new Speed Indicator Device and explained some early teething issues he had experienced. The solution would be to purchase extra fittings. Councillors discussed the benefits to be had from extra fittings and **AGREED** unanimously to purchase two extra poles and three back plate fittings for ease of use and extra security. *Clerk to arrange purchases.*

Clerk/RB

**134/20 Community Charity Box.**

Cllr Avery provided details to install a community charity box on Burnt Orchard, where parishioners could offer produce (cakes, eggs etc)/seeds/plants for sale to other parishioners. There would be an honesty box and funds would be collected for a chosen local charity. A local volunteer would organise and oversee the use of the box and collect any money daily.

**135/20. Councillor Responsibilities and Reports.**

- Cllr Lomax gave an update on the Kington Investment Plan. The main headings of discussion are: young people/tourism/food and drink/market hall/High Street and community hub accommodation.
- Cllr Cowling confirmed there had been little progress made regarding the drainage problem on the Harpers development site and no response had been received from Herefordshire Council. *Cllr Phillips to follow up.*

RJP

**136/20. Items for Future Agenda/ Councillor or Member of Public Items.**

None

**137/20. Correspondence Items.**

- Talk Community mailings -Noted
- Herefordshire Council confirm five-year land supply figures as 4.22 years up from 3.69. The Council now has three good years of housing delivery against targets as assessed by the Ministry for Housing and Local Government services. The score is now 106% in the Housing Delivery test.

**138/20. Date of the Next Meeting.**

**The next Parish Council meeting – Virtual on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.15pm.**

Meeting Closed 8.55pm.