

LYONSHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting

Thursday 8th April 2021, 7.15pm Virtual Meeting

Councillors Present: Cllrs Paul Avery (Chair), Kate Lomax, Steve Futchter, Richard Davies, Ray Richards, Andrew Turner, Rod Bevan, Chris Auger, Gill Cowling, and Clerk Rebecca Bissell.

0 members of the public.

Councillor Phillips written updated:

- Monthly and COVID update forwarded regularly
- A meeting was held at Holme Marsh with Balfour Beatty regarding the pipe capacity. He has contacted the planning enforcement team at Herefordshire Council but not had a reply.
- Inspection has taken place of the ditches near Park Gate with Balfour Beatty.
- An interim plan dealing with the phosphate issue to allow some development is due to be announced soon.
- No further information on the local wetland project for local sewers.
- Residents are campaigning for more buses after 6pm.
- Drainage works at Bullocks Mill is scheduled on the highways plan for 2021/22.
- A request to desilt the Curl Brook under Curl Bridge and Jack Ditch Lane has been made.
- All residents should look out for any future sinkage in the Gigaclear trenches across highways and report.

150/20. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Sandy Lampitt and Roger Phillips.

151/20. Declaration of Interest and Written Requests for Dispensation on Agenda Items.

Cllrs Avery and Richards declared an interest on agenda item 156/21.

152/20. Approval of the Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting of 11th March 2021 were **approved** to be signed by Chairman.

153/20. Planning Applications:

Planning Application recently received:

None

Recent Planning Applications still awaiting determination:

- 210088 – Parklands, Bullocks Mill, HR5 3LN.
Proposed Conversion of redundant barn to a 2-bed dwelling.
- 210909 – Barn Cottage, Lyonshall, HR5 3LN.
Proposed single storey extension
- 204283 – Park Style, Bullocks Mill, HR5 3SD - **SUPPORT**
Listed building consent for various improvements including damp treatment, plastering, gutter works, rendering and drainage.
- 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:

- 204552 – (site B2) Land adjacent to Upper House, Lyonshall, HR5 3JN- **SUPPORT – APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS** - Variation of condition 2 of permission 152330 minor changes to design on several plots.

154/20. Clerk's Report.

- The clerk advised that legislation for virtual meetings changes on 7th May and the Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council meeting will be brought forward to the 5th May 2021 to ensure annual business can be completed. It is hoped that face to face meetings can resume in June following the government roadmap, guidelines and risk assessments..
- Responded to Public spaces order.
- Works orders raised for footpath works and repair of the PC notice boards.
- Requested playground inspection for June/July.

- Newsletter prepared and printed.
- Public meeting held 29th March.
- Attended Parish Summit 29.3.21.
- Followed up issues with Balfour Beatty drainage issues at Burnt Orchard and Titley Mill to Parkgate.
- New Speed Indicator Device base due to be installed w/c 5th April 2021.

All other items from previous agendas are being dealt with.

155/20. Financial Report and Approve Payments.

All Payments approved unanimously.

Financial Report as at 31st March 2021

The Clerk confirmed work had started on the year end accounts and advised the annual turnover for the Parish Council is once again just under the review total of £25K. However, Parish Council **AGREED** to have an external review by PPK Littlejohn. The internal auditor will be reviewing the accounts w/c 19th April. Bank statements reconciled to VT cashbook end of March 2021.

Balances at 31st March 2021:

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| Community account | £11533.91 |
| Savings account | £14221.93 (including £0.11 interest) |
| Playground account | £ 601.20 |
| Business Saver account | £ 414.56 (including £0.01 interest) |

Income received since last meeting

None.

Payments for Approval

Clerk's Salary & HMRC for December 2019 included NDP hours as previously agreed.

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| Clerk Expenses | Expenses November/ December 19 | £24.26 | |
| Shaun Price | Footpath works | £153.00 | |
| | Repair/renovate notice boards | £224.00 | |
| KBS | Footpath Materials | £58.28 | +VAT |
| GJ Evans | Payroll services 2 years to April 2021 | £160.00 | |

156/20. Public Meeting 29th March - Report on Foxhole Shoot.

Cllr Avery gave a verbal report highlighting the points raised from the recent public meeting which was arranged to acknowledge complaints received from parishioners about noise nuisance at Foxhole Shoots. 14 members of the public attended. Information has been collated and will be distributed to those interested on how to complain to Herefordshire Council following each shoot where their private enjoyment of their home has been disturbed.

157/20. Village Summer Planting 2021.

Councillors **AGREED** unanimously to fund the summer planting boxes, further Spring daffodils and tulips and wild seed to spread on bare verges. It also **AGREED** for the flower boxes to be renovated. *Clerk to request Lyonshall Garden Centre undertake the work.*

Clerk

158/20. Balfour Beatty Verge Cutting Option 2021.

Balfour Beatty offer two verge cuts a year, one in May and one in September. Councillors discussed these options and **AGREED** to request one cut in September as a trial this year. *Clerk to advise.*

Clerk

159/20. Purchase Litter Picking Equipment.

A local parishioner has organised a volunteer group to undertake litter picking throughout the parish. A request for equipment and safety wear for the group costing £549 + VAT was discussed. As litter picking benefits the whole community, Parish Council **AGREED** to donate the full amount to the purchase of the items for the group to use. All items to be the responsibility of the group manager Mrs Hughes. *Clerk to liaise.*

Clerk

160/20. Report from the Herefordshire Council Parish Summit 30.3.21.

The Clerk previously forwarded details and slides from the Herefordshire Council Parish Summit on the 30th March. The presentation included information on the Talk Community Hub programme, how to set them up and local volunteering including the relaunch of the WISH website. Super Intendent Ed Williams has recently launched the community charter setting out his priorities in key areas. The director on Public Health gave a presentation on the COVID situation highlighting the positives going forward.

161/20. Councillor Responsibilities and Reports.

- Cllr Lomax had checked the tree works along Footpath LZ10a and confirmed it was passable.
- Cllr Lomax requested the removal of the metal gate from Burgage Close to allow ease of access for pushchairs. **AGREED.** *Clerk to arrange removal*

Clerk

- Concern was raised regarding stream works at one of the new properties on Webbs Meadow. – No action required at present, however Councillors to keep an eye on downstream for blockages.
- A recent letter from the Parish Council forwarded to Herefordshire Council regarding drainage issues at Holme Marsh has not been acknowledged. *Clerk to write again to chase and enquire about lack of planning enforcement.*
- Concerns raised regarding the Sewerage Treatment Works leakage. Cllr Avery explained that leakage is allowed as part of a heavy rainfall event to allow storm water to release. The Welsh Water Grampian order preventing development until upgrade works are complete has now ended even though there is still not enough capacity. Welsh Water is slow to implement reed bed opportunities which have been pursued by Cllr Phillips.
- A group in Kington is investigating funding to reinstate the evening bus services. Cllr Auger to follow up with Cllr Phillips.
- Cllr Avery to request an update and pub renovation schedule from Mr Hern
- Cllr Richards recommended purchase of new centre bars for the toddler swings.

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162/20. Items for Future Agenda/ Councillor or Member of Public Items.

None.

163/20. Correspondence Items.

- Talk Community mailings -Noted

164/20. Date of the Next Meeting.

The next Parish Council meeting –

Virtual Annual Parish Meeting on 5th May 2021 at 7.00pm followed by

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Meeting Closed 9.10pm.