

# MEETING OF LONGDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016

## MINUTES

- 1) **Chairman welcome** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting. The Chairman thanked all members for the hard work they had all put in at the public meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> February.
- 2) **Present & Apologies:** Councillor P Carter-Chairman: Councillor N Evans-Vice-chairman: Councillor R Evans: Councillor M Davies: Councillor M Sinclair: Councillor K Lovegrove: Councillor M Whittall : Councillor C Rigby. Also present L Pardoe clerk to the Council  
:Apologies were received from Councillor W Merrick;
- 3) **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:** There were none at this point.
- 4) **Public Comments:** There were none.
- 5) **Police Report:** This would be circulated to members when the clerk received it.
- 6) **Confirmation and Acceptance of Minutes of meeting held on February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016:** It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting: proposed by Councillor N Evans; seconded by Councillor C Rigby and agreed by all members present.
- 7) **Matters arising:-**Clerk reported that she had received a response from The Police Commission saying he would look into our concerns over the lack of enforcement of the speeding regulations and get back to us.
- 8) **Planning: i) clerk to report on earlier applications**  
 Reference: 14/01589/FUL: The Cygnets *Pending Consideration*  
 Reference: 14/02230/OUT: The Firs, Exfords Green *Pending Consideration*  
 Reference: 14/04876/OUT: Proposed dwelling Redhill Cottage, Hookagate: *Pending Consideration*  
 Reference: 15/00874/VAR: Yews Barn, Lyth Bank, Shrewsbury, SY3 0BW *Pending Consideration*  
 Reference: 15/00939/FUL: Proposed affordable dwelling SE of Green Acres, Annscroft, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. *Pending Consideration*  
 Reference: 15/01152/OUT: Proposed development land at Redhill, Shrewsbury, *Pending Consideration*  
 Reference:15/03651/FUL: Workshop north of The Rope Walk. Lyth Hill, Shrewsbury; awaiting decision.  
 Reference:15/004590/FUL: Tankerville Arms, Shrewsbury Road, Longden, SY5 8EX: Awaiting decision.  
 Reference: 15/04640/DIS: Proposed dwelling north of Chapel Cottages Hookagate. Pending Consideration.  
 Reference: 15/04681/OUT: 2 Rose Cottage, Hookagate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY5 8BJ: Pending Consideration.  
 Reference: 15/04702/FUL: Timber Lodge, Lyth Hill, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 0BS: Pending Consideration.  
 Reference: 15/04587/FUL: Land North of Exfords Green, Shrewsbury: Pending Consideration.

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Reference: 15/04917/OUT: Little Vinnals Bungalow, Long Lane End, Longden, Shrewsbury SY5 8HF: Pending Consideration.

Reference: 15/05027/FUL: Spring Cottage, Lyth Hill, Shrewsbury, SY3 0BS; Refused

Reference: 15/05284/REM: Proposed dwelling south of Pen-y-Bont, Hookagate. Shrewsbury: Pending Consideration.

Reference: 15/05364/FUL: Proposed dwelling north of Myrtle Bank, Exfords Green, Shrewsbury,

SY5 8HQ: Pending Consideration.

Reference: 15/05116/FUL (validated: 07/01/2016): Windmill House, Lyth Hill, Shrewsbury Shropshire, SY3 0BT

Reference: 15/05585/FUL (validated: 11/01/2016): Swallow Cottage, Lyth Bank, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 0BQ

Reference: 16/00123/FUL (validated: 13/01/2016): Stapleton Grange, Longden, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 8HF

Reference: 15/05116/FUL (validated: 07/01/2016): Windmill House, Lyth Hill, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 0BT

Reference: 16/00123/FUL (validated: 13/01/2016): Stapleton Grange, Longden, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 8HF

Reference: 16/00334/COU (validated 28/01/2016): Badgers Oak, Exfords Green, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY5 8HQ

Reference: 16/00231/FUL (validated 25/01/2016: Stapleton Grange; Longden, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 8HF

Reference: 16/00315/FUL (Validated 01/02/2016): Westwinds, Lyth Bank, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY3 0BE

**ii) Council to consider new applications:**

- Reference: 16/00462/REM

Address: Proposed dwelling south of Lythfield, Annscroft. Shrewsbury. SY5 8AN

Proposal: Approval of Reserved matters (layout, appearance, scale and landscaping) pursuant to outline application 15/02396/Out for the erection of 1 No detached dwelling.

*After discussion the Parish Council agreed that the property should be low rise to match adjacent existing residential properties.*

*Proposed by Councillor C Rigby: seconded by Councillor P Carter and agreed by all members present.*

- Reference: 16/00702/SCO (validated: 12/02/2016)

Address: Proposed Poultry Units South Of the Vinnals, Lower Common, Longden, Shropshire

Proposal: Scoping Opinion for proposed poultry units

Applicant:

*After discussion it was agreed by the Parish Council that they have concerns about this proposal being as list below;*

- 1. The widths of the existing rural lanes are too narrow for the extra heavy traffic that would be generated by this venture.*
- 2. The increase in the heavy traffic would have a very detrimental effect on the roads and in the present economic climate the Parish Council would request that if an application were submitted that the applicant be made to make provision for repairs to the roads as this is going to be a burden on the Parish Council.*

3. *There would be an intensification of vehicular movement in the early hours of the morning when the units are being cleared out, which would cause disruption to neighbouring residents.*
4. *There are concerns over the smell and noise that the proposed poultry units would generate.*
5. *The siting of the chicken units would need to be very carefully considered to minimise the impact on the local landscape.*

*Proposed by Councillor M Whittall; seconded by Councillor N Evans and agreed by all members present.*

- Reference: 16/002503/NEWTN

Development Site: Residential development in Longden Shrewsbury

Proposed Street Name ; Lyth View Court.

After discussion the Parish Council felt that this particular name was too similar to another in the village, Long Mynd View.

It is known locally as the Arrow site and the Councillors have come up with the suggestion Golden Arrow Court.

This has links with a famous local author Mary Webb who wrote a book called Golden Arrow and also the former owners of the site.

- Reference:16/00813/FUL

Address: Address: Primrose Cottage, Lyth Bank, Shrewsbury, SY3 0BE

Proposal: Construction of a two storey extension on the west elevation, external alterations to the North & east elevations and general internal alterations.

Whilst it was validated on 23<sup>rd</sup> February the notification e-mail did not arrive until the afternoon of 1<sup>st</sup> March which is insufficient time to alert members to the need to look at the application on line or talk to neighbours of the applicant. The clerk was instructed to request an extension to the consultation time to allow members to fully consult with residents and then make a reasoned judgement.

## 9) Highway Matters:

- (a) Councillors reported that local farmers have cleared Long Lane ditches out. And that the Open reach is putting in new poles and broadband ducting.
- (b) Councillor N Evans reported that Severn Trent is still unable to ascertain if the leak at Redhill Bank is a leak or groundwater. There is a filled quarry hole underneath Councillor N Evans house and water may be issuing from there. Investigations are ongoing.
- (c) Councillor R Evans reported that at 22 Old Coppice Lyth Hill there is flooding and the residents are having to walk through water to get to their drive .*Reported at the Clerks meeting with the Area Commissioner.*

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- (d) The Lighting outside The Old School Hookagate is still out. The clerk reported that it is a fault in the underground cable to the pole and as such is the responsibility of Western Power who has given a date of 9<sup>th</sup> March for this to be fixed.
- (e) There is water coming out of the ground at Chapel Bank post code SY5 8EX. Clerk to report to Severn Trent. *This has been done online*

#### 10) Play Areas:

- i) Chairman reported that the Funding Applications are still on going.
- ii) Clerk asked if the Council wished to have Shropshire Council do the ROSPA playgrounds inspections again this year. It was agreed that they should that.

#### 11) Finance:

- (a) Accounts due for payment: It was agreed to pay the accounts as present by the clerk; proposed by Councillor R Evans; seconded by Councillor M Whittall and agreed by all members present.

Cheque	Payee	Amount	Services
158	Longden PCC	200.00	Churchyard Maintenance
159	N Power	363.92	Energy charges
160	E-on	61.64	Light repairs
161	L Pardoe	536.95	Salary & Expenses
162	Peter White	90.00	Website hosting 2 years
	Total	1252.51	

- (b) Council to receive Bank Account reconciliation; It was agreed to receive the Bank reconciliation as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor R Evans; seconded by Councillor M Whittall and agreed by all members present.
- (c) Balance held at Bank: Treasurers Account; £177.44; Instant Access account £28,142.09; totaling £28,319.53p
- (d) Council to consider the continuation of the website as it is. The cost for this is £90.00 for two years hosting. After discussion it was agreed to continue with the existing provider. Proposed by Councillor M Whittall, Seconded by Councillor N Evans and agreed by all members present. The cheque for this was signed accordingly.
- (e) Council to consider the cost of repairing the Bus shelters in Annscroft & Longden Common against replacing the bus shelters with new ones. It was agreed that Councillors P Carter & M Whittall would meet and look at the Bus Shelters and bring this back to the April meeting. Clerk to see if Mr. Brayne would consider a quote for the work.

12) **Communications and Correspondence:** This was noted.

13) **Council to report Public meeting on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February:** The meeting had been very well attended and there was a list of volunteers prepared to take the matter forward. It

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was agreed for the clerk to arrange a meeting with David Fairclough and the volunteers and parish Councillors to look at different plans to take this forward.

**14) Council to discuss if there are any services they are willing to take on from Shropshire Council following the meeting with the council leader Malcolm Pate.**

After discussion it was agreed to investigate what the charges for grass mowing and road cleaning might be, so that the Parish Council is forewarned about such charges and can prepare budgets to meet these costs should it become necessary.

**15) Parish Matters:**

- Councillor M Sinclair reported that the post boxes in the parish are all covered in lichen, while we are being encouraged to “clean for the Queen” *the clerk to request that Royal Mail spruce up their post boxes by removing the lichen and painting them.*
- Councillor Sinclair also reported that the gutters in the villages need sweeping by the road sweeper. *Clerk to report these.*
- Councillor K Lovegrove reported that there is an issue with parking at the Village Hall in Longden village. Also there are people who are using the church in Longden who are parking in the carpark at The Tankerville Arms and lunch guests are unable to use it.
- Councillor M Whittall reported that a house near him has been sold but that the For Sale/Sold sign is still there. *Clerk asked to contact Parry Lowarch to request that they remove is immediately.*
- Councillor M Sinclair reported that there is a lot of mud on the road at Summerhouse Lane. *Clerk to write a letter to Robert McCall to request that they clean it up.*

**16) Shropshire Council Matters:** - Councillor R Evans reported that the Council tax would be going up by 3.99% for the foreseeable future. He reported that whilst the MP Daniel Kawczynski had stated in the papers that he had obtained extra funding from the government for Shropshire the MPs had come into the negotiations at the last moment. There had been a lot of hard work put in by the officers at Shropshire Council and Cecilia Motely the member with responsibility for rural affairs. The long term financial future is not looking good.

**17) Date and time of next meeting:-**It was agreed that this would be held on 6th April 2016 7.30pm at Longden Village Hall.