

LILBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of a PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held Wednesday 27th September 2017, 7.00pm at the Village Hall

In attendance: Cllr Andy Hemmings (Chairman), Cllr Jan Alexander, Cllr Louise Tarplee, Cllr Eve Hurley, Faye Howells-Palin (Bus Administrator) , District Councillor Alan Chantler

One member of the public was present.

1. **To receive apologies for absence:** Cllr Ben Berridge, Cllr Nigel Morley, Cllr Harmesh Loi

2. **Declarations of Interests:** Cllr Hemmings declared in relation to Lilbourne Play Area and Park Committee. Cllr Tarplee declared in relation to Lilbourne Village Hall Committee and Lilbourne Youth Club committee.

3. **Minutes of Last meeting (as circulated):** The minutes of the meeting dated 16th August 2017 were signed as a true copy of that meeting.

4. Public Participation

A member of the public spoke in relation to the open day held at Lilbourne Meadows on behalf of Prologis.

5. Lilbourne Community Bus

The minibus has had an MOT and has passed. The ID badges had been ordered and would be distributed shortly.

6. Wind Farm Report

A small outstanding sum was still awaited from the Wind Farm Company. **ACTION : Clerk to chase.**

7. Lilbourne Village Hall

- Village Hall heating : A visit had been carried out on behalf of Calor gas who had advised the best place to site the tank was underground in front of the Village Hall. It was **RESOLVED** to support this proposal on the basis Calor gas inspect the underground cables before commencing work and to make good any damage caused.

8. Reports to Council

Councillor Chantler reported as follows :

- Northamptonshire County Council favour the creation of a Unitary authority

but DDC are opposed to this.

- District Council elections are to be held next May. Cllr Chantler has applied to be the Conservative party candidate.
- He has spoken to DDC Estates department regarding their intentions for the land next to the playing field in Lilbourne. They are carrying out a noise survey as they are considering this as a site for affordable housing. He will continue to express the interest of the Parish Council to obtain this land for open space.
- The next DDC meeting will be held at 6.15 on the 5th October. All welcome.

9. Correspondence

A letter had been received from Blisworth Parish Council asking for advice as to how to deal with nearby large scale development. It was **RESOLVED** to reply to state that LPC have worked with developers as the Parish Council recognise the national importance of the planning applications. **ACTION : Clerk to reply and copy in District Councillor Chantler.**

10. Planning:

Decision notices – DA/2017/0741 – Land off Station Road – Construction of steel palisade security fence - Noted

DA/2017/0663 – 9 Hillmorton Lane – Single storey front extension – Noted.

11. DIRFT, A5 and Motorway

An increase in accidents has been noted on the A5.

12. Highways, Signs

A number of lorries have been coming through the village to access the M1. If any more are seen please report to NCC Highways.

13. Rights of Way

No matters to discuss.

14. Environment and Village Maintenance

- Dog waste bins – a handyman has offered to complete the installation of the dog bins. It was **RESOLVED** to go ahead with the offer.
- Wooden post quotes, fencing and bench– **ACTION : Specification to be completed for fencing once NCC work taken place. Post spec as follows : 6 inch square oak posts 2 feet in the ground 2 feet above and reflectors on 3 sides. 2 posts needed for noticeboard. Quotes to be obtained.**
- Replacement signposts in village including a 'Welcome to Lilbourne' sign. **ACTION : AH and RS to Clerk to provide contact details for sign post providers.**

- BT phonebox refurbishment. An application has been made to BT to formally adopt the phone box. A 90 day consultation procedure will now commence. Consent will also be needed from DDC before works commence. **ACTION: RS to e mail Clerk with proposals for refurbishment.**
- Broadband line : An appointment is to be made with CCTV provider to network the cameras so they may be accessed remotely.
- Estate Agents signs on The Green – Any further requests to be dealt with on an individual basis.
- Smiley face signs – **ACTION : Cllr Hemmings to obtain quotes.**
- Naming of Wills Lane – No objections have been received. **ACTION : Clerk to order a sign and inform the Local Authority.**
- The Green project: Another meeting is due to be held. Western Power is to attend to cut back the trees affecting the cables. **ACTION : AH to obtain quotes for an underground survey for The Green.**

15. PCSO Liasion

A volunteer had come forward in the village to offer to be the police liaison contact It was **RESOLVED** to accept the offer.

16. Playing Field and Play Area

- Quotes received for roundabouts and goal posts. **ACTION : Clerk to apply to DDC Capital Grants to match fund the CIL payment received for this.**
- Amendment to CCTV wording : **ACTION : Cllr Hemmings to contact Northants Police**
- The wall next to the play area has a large vertical crack. **ACTION : Cllr Hemmings to contact.**
- Youth Club : **ACTION : Clerk to contact CYPN to ask if more publicity could be given to the set dates. Clerk to apply to Lilbourne Wind Farm for 2 years of running costs of the Youth Club.**

17. Burial Ground

No matters to report

18. Grass Cutting

No matters to report

19. Finance

- Payments were approved as follows :
- Clerk Salary (Sept) £325.12
- Bus Admin Salary (Sept) £315.00
- Bus Driver Salary (Sept) £438.24
- Village Handyman (Sept) £0.00

- HMRC £3.00
- 4 Counties (August grass cutting) £468.00
- Lilbourne Village Hall hire (Apr-Aug) £330.00
- F Ryan expenses 60% split with Clipston) £48.27
- F Ryan (order of ID badges for bus drivers) £50.48
- E Hurley (ink for newsletter) £39.76

- External Audit awaited to be returned from the Auditor.
- A letter had been received from Barclays to advise our account will be closed.
ACTION : Clerk to contact to confirm we wish this to remain open.

Bank Balance as at 15/9/17 = £98,275.54

20. **AOB**

A letter had been received from a resident about a dispute with her neighbour regarding cutting back the hedge. **ACTION : Cllr Chantler advised to contact Environmental Health Officer at DDC who would assist.**

Cllr Tarplee urged everyone to obtain a flu jab and to complete the patient healthcare survey.

Reports of alleged speeding through Lilbourne. Any reports should be directed to Sam Dobbs of Northants Police with dates, times and VRM details.

Reports of young unsupervised children leaving the play area and biking on to Station Road have been noted.

Additional Streetlights – **ACTION : Cllr Tarplee and Cllr Loi to walk the village to identify any areas which may need an extra light.**

21. **Date of Next meeting :**

25th October 2017

Meeting Closed 8.38pm