

LEIGHTON & EATON CONSTANTINE
PARISH COUNCIL
8th January 2019
MINUTES

1. **Chair's Welcome;** the Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
2. **Present;** Councillor S Jones-Chairman; Councillor M Corrie-Vice-chairman; Councillor E Parton; Councillor S Dawes; Councillor M Thorn; Councillor G Godwin. Also, present L Pardoe clerk to the Council. Apologies were received from Shropshire Councillor C Wild who was at another meeting.
3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interests** Councillor Godwin declared an interest in item 14 (d) On the agenda Councillor M Thorn had a planning application listed on the agenda although this had been discussed at a previous meeting and would not be discussed at this meeting.
4. **Council to agree the minutes from Meeting held on 6th November 2018** it was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting; proposed by Councillor E Parton; seconded by Councillor S Dawes and agreed by all members present.
5. **Clerks report;**
 - The clerk reported that she had applied for the Environmental Maintenance Grant and was waiting to hear if the application had been successful.
 - She had received three quotes for the repairs to the Garmston Notice Board. This to be decided in the Finance Section of the agenda
 - She had been to the Trophy Shop in Shrewsbury and they had quoted for a 6" by 2" plastic bronze coloured plaque for the memorial bench would be £18.00
 - Councillor E Parton confirmed that she had investigated the likely cost of obtaining a plaque for the Leighton Millennium Seat which would cost approximately £25. It was agreed that she would make further enquiries with a limit of the cost up to £30.00
6. **Report from Shropshire Councillor.** There was no report this month.
7. **Update on Buildwas Power Station Site.**
 - **Councillor Thorn to report on stability of Ash Dumps at Devils Dingle formally owned by Buildwas Power Station.** Councillor Thorn had produced a very detailed report. Shropshire Council Emergency Planning was looking into the situation as they had concerns which needed monitoring. The environmental side of things seem to have been covered in the reports Councillor Thorn had been able to access but the engineering not so much. The site falls outside the Reservoirs Act as the lagoons produced are less than 25million cubic metres.
 - It was agreed that the clerk would provide a copy of the report for Buildwas Parish Council clerk. It was agreed to invite Liane from Shropshire Councils Emergency Planning to a meeting with all interested Parish Councils.
 - Another issue was that the site was sold subject to its being open access and this is being looked into by Shropshire Council.
8. **Police Report**
 - Clerk had received an e-mail from Inspector Safdar Ali introducing his new team. This was sent to all members.
9. **Public Session.** There were no members of the public present.
10. **Council to formulate comment to Local Plan;** It was agreed not to comment on the Local Plan as it did not involve any changes to the parish of Leighton & Eaton Constantine. Members were invited to look at the document and comment as individuals if they wished. There was a public meeting on this on 24th January at the Guildhall in Shrewsbury starting at 7.00pm and members of the public and parish are invited to attend.
11. **Council to formulate response to proposals to remove recycling site around the county.** It was agreed that members would respond individually to this consultation.

12. PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Council to consider new applications

- Reference: 18/012711/FUL: The Manor House, Leighton, SY5 6RN; Permission Granted.
- Reference: 18/5210/FUL: 6 Upper Longwood Eaton Constantine:SY5 6SB; Awaiting decision
- Reference: 18/5418/FUL: 7 Upper Longwood Eaton Constantine.SY5 6SB; Awaiting decision

(b) Council to consider any applications received after agenda was sent out

- 18/002691/FUL; After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council will leave this for the Planning Officer to determine taking into account that the parish is Open Countryside. Proposed by Councillor S Jones; seconded by Councillor M Corrie and agreed by all members present.
- 19/00001/FUL; after discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council have no objection to this application. Proposed by Councillor S Jones; seconded by Councillor M Corrie and agreed by all members present.

13. Highways Matters –

- Councillor S Jones reported that she had spoken to Colin Blower from Shropshire Council and that he would send a team to clean up the footpaths. In the Spring if the hedges were not cut back correctly, he would send out letters to the landowners.

14. Financial Matters

- a) To approve invoices for payment; It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk; Proposed by Councillor S Jones; seconded by Councillor M Corrie and agreed by all members present.

690	SLB Groundcare	Grasscutting	650.00
691	Eaton Constantine PCC	RBL donation	75.00
692	HMRC	PAYE	86.00
693	L Pardoe	Expenses	86.83
	L Pardoe	Salary	172.01
			1069.84

- b) To approve payment of invoices received after agenda was sent out. There were no additional invoices.
- c) To accept Bank Reconciliation for month ended December 2018It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk; proposed by councillor S Jones; seconded by Councillor M Corrie and agreed by all members present.
- d) Council to agree to repairs or replacement of Notice Boards.
Councillor Godwin left the meeting for this item.
After discussion it was agreed to give the job to Mr C Wildblood.
Councillor Godwin then returned to the meeting
- e) Council to set precept. After discussion it was agreed to set the precept at £ 5493.28 an increase of £211.28 on current year. £26.68 per Band D property. A rise of 97p on each household, which would be an increase of 4% on the Band D Council Tax charge. Proposed by councillor M Corrie; seconded by Councillor M Thorn and agreed by all members present.
- f) It was agreed that the cost of a millennium plaque for the bench in Leighton be further looked at.

15. CORRESPONDENCE; list to be circulated prior to the meeting.

- It was noted that there had been difficulties with getting the publishing bills paid for Under the Wrekin, this was discussed and agreed that the people who were already on the banking mandate needed to be approached to sign some cheques until the new banking mandate was implemented by the Bank.
- It was agreed that the Parish Council would nominate Councillor Jones for her name to be put in the draw to attend the Buckingham palace Garden Party.

16. PARISH MATTERS

- a) There were no matters to report.

17. Councillors S Jones and E Parton to report to the members on staff appraisal. The clerk left the room while this was discussed.

18. Date & Time of the next meeting It was agreed that his would be held on Tuesday 5th March 2019 starting at 7.30pm at Leighton Village Hall.

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Signed.....

Dated. Tuesday 5th March 2019