

## MEETING OF LONGDEN PARISH COUNCIL

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

### MINUTES

- 1) **Chairman's welcome:** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting
- 2) **Present :** Councillor P Carter- Chairman ; Councillor N Evans Vice-chairman ; Councillor R Evans ; Councillor C Rigby ; Councillor M Whittall ; Councillor K Lovegrove ;Councillor M Sinclair ; Councillor M Davies ; Members of the Public , L Pardoe clerk to the council.
- 3) **Declarations of Interest:** There were none at this point
- 4) **Public Session. Standing Orders were suspended to allow members of the public to speak.**  
 A gentleman was concerned over the Stapleton Grange application a new drive has been installed which was originally to serve the whole building complex. It has been restructured to serve the main house the existing drive is now for the rest of the development and is totally inadequate for that purpose. *Clerk to write to planning officer to clarify access to Stapleton Grange. The Parish Council is concerned that the application is not being adhered to.*  
 A gentleman spoke on the possibility of a small 3 bedroomed house he wished to build at Exfords Green. Councillor Carter explained that we were up to our limits with developments in that area for SAMDev. The clerk to write to planning re one of the new houses at Exfords Green where there have built a brick wall which is extending into the road. This was not in the original application.  
 A lady spoke on the application for the Poultry Units at The Vinnals; she was from Little Ness and was greatly concerned at the change of the road network to be used. There are height restrictions at Hanwood; the road to be used is very twisty and dangerous. There will be impact on views and tourism and the enjoyment of local horse riders. Councillor Carter reported that this application has been deferred with the application to be amended with no night time movements now to empty the sheds.  
 Another lady said that she had been past the poultry units members had visited and said that their roads had been upgraded by money from the Welsh Assembly and she was concerned that Shropshire Council would be able to maintain the roads with their limited budget. Why is the biomass boiler proposed so large? This size boiler will support up to 9 units? Will there be more applications to expand once this one is granted.
- 5) **Police Report:** A Police Officer gave a brief report to the meeting. Councillor Whittall asked for clarification on whose responsibility it was to remove "mud on road" road signs once they were no longer needed. The Policeman said the signs should come down once the road was clear.
- 6) **Confirmation and Acceptance of Minutes of meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 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:**-all matters were covered on the agenda.
- 8) **Planning:** i)Clerk to report on earlier applications

Reference: 14/02230/OUT: The Firs, Exfords Green *Pending Consideration*

Reference: 15/00939/FUL: Proposed affordable dwelling SE of Green Acres, Annscroft, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. *Pending Consideration*

Reference: 16/00462/REM: Proposed dwelling South of Lythfield, Annscroft, Shrewsbury, SY5 8AN: Awaiting decision;

Reference: 16/02395/FUL

Address: Proposed development land south of Plealey Lane Longden

Proposal: Erection of 7 no bungalows and associated infrastructure. Awaiting Decision.

Reference:16/02515/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a Holiday Cabin to include the change of use of land. *Permission Granted September*

Reference: 16/02752/EIA: The Vinnals, Lower Common; Proposed Poultry Units. **Awaiting decision**

Reference: 16/03100/REM

Address: Proposed dwelling south of Redhill Cottage, Redhill, Shrewsbury.

Proposal: Approval of reserved matters (appearance, landscaping. Layout & Scale) pursuant to permission 14/04786/Out for the erection of one dwelling and garage to include means of access.

**Awaiting decision**

Reference:16/03237/FUL

Address: proposed dwelling south of Lythfield Annscroft, Shrewsbury

Proposal: Erection of one (open market) dwelling and detached double garage. **Awaiting decision**

Reference: 16/03278/FUL: Stapleton Grange, Longden, Shrewsbury

Proposal: Conversion of existing agricultural building into 1 No dwelling. **Awaiting decision**

Reference: 16/03312/OUT: Proposed Residential Development Land North of The Red Lion, Longden Common. Shrewsbury. **Permission Granted**

Proposal: Outline application for the erection of up to three dwellings to include access ( existing access to be closed off) **Awaiting decision**

Reference: 16/03406/OUT: Address: Land west of The Rectory, Plealey Lane, Longden

Proposal: Outline application for the erection of 14 dwellings to include access **Awaiting decision**

Reference: 16/03600/VAR

Address: Land at Longden, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY5 8EX

Proposal: Variation of condition No1 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 14/00088/REM dated 9<sup>th</sup> April 2014 for reserved matters (appearance) for the erection of 13 no. dwellings pursuant to Outline application 08/1194/O (subsequently varied by planning permission reference 10/03473/VAR) to allow additional windows on Plot 13 to improve natural daylighting and to provide views to the open countryside beyond. **Awaiting decision**

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

- Reference; 16/04304/FUL

Address: Ridgebourne House, Annscroft, Shrewsbury

Proposal: Erection of triple garage with garden room over

*After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council do not support this application for the following reasons:*

- a) *It is too big and overdevelopment of the site. There is no justification for the size of the development*
- b) *It will lead to a loss of privacy for the neighbours*  
*Proposed by Councillor C Rigby ; seconded by Councillor R Evans and agreed by all members present.*

- Reference:16/04632/DIS

Address: proposed dwelling west of Sunninghill, Summerhouse Lane, Longden, Shrewsbury

Proposal: Discharge of condition 3 (EPS Mitigation Licence) 4 (Materials) 5 (Lighting) 6 (Artificial Bird Nests) 7 (Access) 8 (Landscaping Scheme) Variation of condition No.2 (approved drawings) attached to 13/00600/FUL to allow for redesign and orientation of dwelling ..*It was agreed that the clerk request an extension and relevant paperwork as there was insufficient information to make an informed judgement. Proposed by Councillor M Whittall seconded by Councillor N Evans and agreed by all members present.*

**iii) Council to consider any new applications received after 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016**

Reference: 16/04873/DIS

Address |; outbuildings adjacent to The Oaks Wrentall, Shrewsbury

Proposal; Discharge of conditions3 (Materials) 4 (Obscure glazing) 5 (Landscaping) 7 (Roof Roof lights) and 8 (Drainage Septic tank) on planning permission 13/03463/FUL for the conversion of outbuildings to create three residential dwellings.

*After discussion It was agreed that the clerk request an extension and relevant paperwork as there was insufficient information to make an informed judgement. Proposed by Councillor M Whittall seconded by Councillor N Evans and agreed by all members present.*

**iv)** Council to look at consultation on proposed changes to the planning process and respond. The Parish Council objects strongly to the proposals and feel that they need paper copies of plans. The proposals would not be practicable for the Parish Councils needs

**v)** Councillor R Evans reported that the planning Officer is not happy with the application for the development next to the Rectory. The Officer has requested smaller numbers of houses. The Parish Council to encourage the Diocese to open a dialogue with the Parish Council on the ransom strip which might cause the Parish Council to change its opinion on the application. The clerk to approach Savills to ask for a meeting to look at the application.

Councillor R Evans made his decisions based on the information known to him at the time

## **9) Highway Matters:**

- (a) It was agreed that the clerk and Councillor Whittall would deliver letters to the properties where the hedges were overhanging the foot path and making it difficult to walk along it safely.
- (b) The clerk to chase the request with Highways for the trees in Annscroft to be inspected and trimmed if necessary with regard to highways safety and visibility issues as there have been a couple of near misses and complaints from residents.
- (c) Councillors M Whittall requested signs to warn that horses are being ridden in the area on the new piece of road between Annscroft & Exfords Green.
- (d) It was reported that the property next to the Farriers has 3 or 4 caravans on the property and they are moving forward on to the verge. A concerned resident has raised this with the Parish Council.
- (e) There are many places within the parish where the white lines are worn out. Clerk to request from the Council when these will be renewed.
- (f) The clerk to follow up with Ben Shepherd the costing for the VAS in Hookagate
- (g) Council to consider replacing street lights with more efficient units. It was agreed that the clerk to contact Garry Johnson for a price for the complete job of replacing with dimmable lights, including any brackets etc. that may need replacing. This would be fully discussed at the December meeting. The clerk to look at the cost of borrowing the money for this project from the Public Works Loan Board. Is there somewhere the members could see some of the proposed lamps working? This would be discussed fully at the December meeting
- (h) Council to look at BT proposals to remove the payphone kiosks from Longden and Annscroft. After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council wished to retain the phone boxes in Longden Common, Longden, and Annscroft. The clerk completed the questionnaire regarding the removal of the phone boxes.
- (i) Councillor M Sinclair reported that the sign on the triangle at Lower Common has been knocked and leaning. Clerk to notify Highways.

## **10) Finance:**

- (a) Accounts due for payment; to be tabled at the meeting: It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk: proposed by Councillor C Rigby; seconded by Councillor K Lovegrove and agreed by all members present.

02-Oct	SALC	Training share	11.00
	HMRC	PAYE	8.00
	L Pardoe	Sal & Expenses	576.68
	Total		595.68

- (b) Council to receive Bank Account reconciliation It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk; Proposed by Councillor C Rigby; Seconded by Councillor K Lovegrove and agreed by all members present.
- (c) Balance held at Bank: Treasurers Account £512.67; Instant Access Account £36,704.12; totaling £37,216.79
- (d) Council to approve the paying of the clerk's salary by monthly standing Order. This was agreed and the Standing Order signed by the Chairman and Vice Chairman
- (e) Council to approve any payments received after agenda has been sent out: There were no extra payments
- (f) Council to consider the erection of a new Notice Board in Exfords Green following the additional properties being built there: It was agreed not to pursue this any further. It was agreed that the Chairman would ask Mr. Goult to look at essential maintenance to the existing Notice Boards

#### 11) Play Areas:

- *Councillor P Carter to update the meeting on progress with funding applications; they had been unsuccessful with The Big Lottery Funding Application and could not reapply for 12 months. The application with Aviva has to be voted on by members of the public to be successful. Councillor Carter encouraged everyone to go online and vote for this. Each person has 10 votes*
- *Council to reassess the grass cutting for the Play Areas. Councillor K Lovegrove was to contact the contacts as supplied to her by the clerk to obtain quotes for the next meeting.*

12) **Councillors to report on meeting held to formulate the Parish Plan.** There is to be a meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> November, the meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> October had to be postponed as many members were unable to attend.

13) **Communications and Correspondence:** This was noted

#### 14) Parish Matters:

- (a) Council to discuss the Purchase of two picnic benches for the Village Hall. The clerk had obtained three quotes. It was agreed that Councillor Lovegrove would contact these to see if she was able to get a better discount.
- (b) Council to consider if it wishes to apply for funding for the next round of defibrillator funding. After discussion it was agreed not to pursue this as the parish was so close to the Ambulance depot.
- (c) Councillors to report any further parish matters; Councillor N Evans thanked Councillor P Carter and his wife for their efforts with a magnificent fundraising at the Harvest Festival. He also thanked Councillor K Lovegrove for the Flicks in the Sticks. Councillor R Evans added his thanks to these.
- (d) Councillor R Evans reported that there was power to the BT box at Lyth Hill they are waiting for BT to make the connections to it.

15) **Shropshire Council Matters:** - Councillor R Evans reported that the Parish Council needs to let Shropshire Council know what they wanted their CIL money spent as soon as possible. I.e. the money from Arrow Court to be spent on the Longden Play area.

Cabinet had refused to make a decision on Youth Funding and this was to be taken to Scrutiny.  
Shropshire Council is planning on charging every school wanting to become an Academy £5,000.  
Shropshire Council is still saying the Swimming Pool will go to Sundorne as this will help to pay for Sundorne Village.

- 16) **Date and time of next meeting** :-It was agreed that this would be held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at 7.30pm at Longden Village Hall:  
It was agreed to hold the Finance meeting on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at 10.30 am at the Village Hall.  
The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 10.30 pm.