

LPC012016 **LONGDEN PARISH COUNCIL**

Wednesday 6th January 2016

MINUTES

- 1) **Chairman welcome:** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting
- 2) **Present ;**Councillor P Carter-Chairman; Councillor N Evans-Vice-chairman; Councillor M Sinclair; Councillor M Davies; Councillor W Merrick; Councillor M Whittall; Councillor R Evans; Councillor K Lovegrove; Councillor C Rigby
Also present L Pardoe Clerk to the Council. PCSO Tim Griffiths and members of the public (see attached sheet)
- 3) **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:** There were none at this point
- 4) **Public Comments:**
Application Reference 15/04917/OUT; there were no comments on this application.
Application reference 15/05027/FUL: A lady said this application is the same as before. There is no change. The reasons for refusing before still apply to the surrounding properties. The reduced size is not so overbearing as it has been moved slightly but at 220sqmetre it is 2.8 times bigger than what is there presently. The nature of the design is still not in keeping with the neighbouring properties. The removal of the building material when the existing building is demolished is an issue along with the bringing of new materials to site due to the narrowness of the lanes.
A gentleman reported that he is concerned that the application states it has been given the green light already from an officer. (This is not so) Councillor R Evans said that no officer from Shropshire Council will give the green light to any applications prior to the application being fully looked at.
The gentleman said that the application does not resolve any of the issues that were given for the prior refusal. Utilities there have been a problem for some time and 5 extra bathrooms and a swimming pool will take their toll.
A second gentleman stated that for him this was worse than the previous application as the development moves closer to his property. It is a massive property that is proposed. He shares an access with Spring Cottage and has received no contributions for the upkeep of the access for the last three years.
The Chairman of the Lyth Hill Residents Association has received many adverse comments about this application.
Application Reference 15/05364/FUL. This is a replacement application and the previous application will be withdrawn
- 5) **Police Report:** PCSO Griffiths introduced himself to the members. He was previously a Police Officer based in Craven Arms. Longden is a relatively peaceful area. A member of the public from Lyth Hill said their local Neighbourhood Watch person had left and asked if they could have a new one please. PCSO Griffiths said he would be seeing PC Summerfield later and would speak to him about it. *He then left the meeting.*

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- 6) Confirmation and Acceptance of Minutes of meeting held on December 2nd 2015:** It was agreed that with a couple of minor changes these were a true and accurate record of the meeting; The amendments were in item 7 to remove the word *agreed* on lines 4 & on the last line of the item, and change to *noted*; Proposed by Councillor M Whittall ; seconded by Councillor N Evans and agreed by all members present.
- 7) Matters arising:-** Councillor R Evans stated that the amendments to the previous minutes were not detailed and that a Parish Council could not agree to anything under matters arising. The clerk to change the word *agreed* in the previous minutes to *noted*.
- 8)** Clerk reported that she had spoken to a Traffic Police Officer and that the speeds Tractors were allowed to travel had increased last year from 20 to 25 mph. The width is 2.55 meters although there are always exceptions to this if needed. She had received no responses from her letters to request quotes for the bus shelters and notice boards but the chair had received a quote from Mr. Gault for over £1,000 for repairing both bus shelters.

9) 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: 14/04640/DIS: Proposed dwelling north of Chapel Cottages Hookagate. Awaiting decision.

Reference: 15/04681/OUT: 2 Rose Cottage, Hookagate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY5 8BJ: Awaiting decision

Reference: 15/04702/FUL: Timber Lodge, Lyth Hill, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 0BS: Awaiting decision.

Reference: 15/04587/FUL: Land North of Exfords Green, Shrewsbury: Awaiting decision.

ii) Council to consider any new applications:

- Reference: 15/047917/OUT
Address : Little Vinnals Bungalow, Long Lane End, Longden, Shrewsbury SY5 8HF
Proposal:
Erection of a holiday chalet to include change of use of land.
After discussion the Parish Council agreed to support this application for a business opportunity even though this area of the parish is up to its quota for the SAMDev plan.

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However the parish council would insist that this development is to remain a holiday let in perpetuity. There should be a limit on the length of time for letting of the property to any one let of 3-4 weeks. There should be no permitted development rights to go with this application.

Proposed by Councillor C Rigby

Seconded by Councillor N Evans and agreed by a majority of 8 to 1 abstention.

- Reference: 15/05027/FUL
Address: Spring Cottage, Lyth Hill,, Shrewsbury, SY3 0BS
Proposal; Erection of a 5 bedroomed dwelling and detached garage following the demolition of existing dwelling and garage.
After discussion the Parish Council agreed that it is strongly against this application. It is too large and not in keeping with the other properties in the area.
Taking account of the Planning Inspectors comments the Parish Council are unable to support this application under any circumstances.
We are disappointed that there is still a basement within the application and are very concerned at how a basement could be constructed without damage to surrounding properties.
There are also concerns about the aquafer.
If this development is allowed ,any permitted development rights should be removed.

Proposed by Councillor C Rigby;Seconded by Councillor N Evans and agreed by a majority of 8 to 1 abstention

- Reference: 15/05284/REM
Address: Proposed dwelling South of Pen-y-Bont, Hookagate. Shrewsbury
Proposal: Approval of reserved matters(access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to permission 14/03549/OUT
After discussion the Parish Council agreed to offer no comment to this application.

Proposed by Councillor P Carter

Seconded by Councillor M Whittall and agreed by all members present.

- Reference:15/05364/FUL
Address: Proposed dwelling north of Myrtle Bank, Exfords Green, Shrewsbury, SY5 8HQ
Proposal: Erection of 1 No dwelling and detached garage store/ formation of vehicular access. *After discussion the Parish Council agreed to support this application with the conditions that adequate tree screening is provided for the development.*

Proposed by Councillor C Rigby

Seconded by Councillor W Merrick and agreed by all members present.

Councillor R Evans made his decisions on the information known to him at the time of the meeting.

iii) **Council to consider any new application received after 29th December 2015** There were none to consider

iv) Councillor R Evans reported on the Planning Appeal Hearing. It was very interesting to hear the comments at the hearing from both sides. The Inspector seemed very experienced.

10) Highway Matters:

(a) Clerk had nothing to report.

(b) Councillor M Sinclair reported that the verges are in a terrible state from the large vehicles and asked if there is anything we can do to stop this?

Councillor W Merrick reported that there is a large quantity of flooding at Chapel corner where a drain is blocked. (This is near where the telegraph pole snapped in half) If this freezes it will become treacherous. *Clerk to write to Highways.*

Councillor N Evans reported that he had come across a large number of cyclist riding on his way to the meeting and the car park at the New Inn was full of cycles.

Councillor R Evans reported there was a street light in Well Mead Lane that had an intermittent fault. Some nights it would flicker all night. *Clerk to chase this with E-on.*

11) **Play Areas:** i) Chairman reported that the Veolia application for funding had been unsuccessful and that they could apply again in December 2016. The ASDA application is still waiting for the appointment of a Community Champion.

They are processing a grant for the Big Lottery. The next meeting of the working group would be 21st January 2016.

ii) Clerk to email the ROSPA inspection report to all members involved in the Playgrounds.

12) Finance:

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

(b) Council to receive Bank Account reconciliation; It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk; Proposed by Councillor N Evans; seconded by Councillor M Sinclair and agreed by all members present.

(c) Balance held at Bank. Treasurers Account £118.62p Instant Access Account £30,239.51 totaling £30,358.13p

(d) It was agreed that the Parish Council would look at setting up a grants scheme for locals to apply to this year.

(e) The council to agree and ratify the precept figures as set by the finance committee in December 2015. After discussion it was agreed to set the Precept figure at £15,000. This would result in an increase of £0.99 to the Council tax demand for 2016/2017. Proposed by Councillor M Whittall; seconded by Councillor C Rigby, and agreed by 8 votes to 1 abstention.

13) Communications and Correspondence: This was noted. The Big Conversation consultation has now closed. There are workshops on Monday 18th January at the Shirehall in the Council chamber starting at 1.00pm to 4.00pm.

It was agreed that the kick start meeting for the new Neighbourhood Light Plan would be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 17th February. *The clerk to see how much Royal Mail would charge to deliver fliers with the mail. Also to see if it possible to have it included in the Longden Newsletter.*

14) Parish Matters:

- (a) Clerk had nothing further to report
- (b) Councillor M Sinclair asked about the painting of the post box. The clerk had asked for a photograph of the box for Royal Mail to identify it.
- (c) Could we have the milestone by Parkside at Chapel Corner painted?
- (d) Councillor M Davies reported that there was water leak on Redhill Drive. Councillor N Evans said that Severn Trent are investigating and could not find the leak.
- (e) Councillor R Evans requested that the clerk contact those who sent out the Broadband map and tell them their map is not accurate. There are people who are unable to get any broadband at all.
- (f) It was agreed that the kick-start meeting for the Neighbourhood Plan would be on Wednesday 17th February starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

15) Shropshire Council Matters:- Councillor R Evans reported that the Council Tax would probably be going up by up to 4%. The Big Conversation consultation was concluded. There is a new Leader of the Council Malcolm Pate.

16) Date and time of next meeting:- It was agreed that this would be held on 3rd February 2016 7.30pm at Longden Village Hall: The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 10.45pm