

## LPC1217 LONGDEN PARISH COUNCIL

**Wednesday  
6<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

### **MINUTES**

- 1) **Chairman's welcome:** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
- 2) **Present: Councillor** N Evans- Chairman; Councillor P Carter- Vice-chairman; Councillor R Evans: Councillor C Roberts; Councillor K Roberts: Councillor C Rigby; Councillor K Lovegrove; Councillor M Whittall; **Apologies** were received from Councillor W Merrick who was unwell. Also present L Pardoe clerk to the Council and members of the public;(Please see sheet attached to the minutes)
- 3) **Declarations of Interest:** There were none at this point.
- 4) **Public Comments:** There were no comments by those present.
- 5) **Police Report:** This would be circulated to members when the clerk received it.
- 6) **Shropshire Councillors Report: Councillor** R Evans reported that he had yet to arrange the site meeting at Hookagate with the Police & Crime Commissioners representative, Police and councillors of Parish Council.  
Councillor K Roberts reported that there is to be a report made by Consultants ,commissioned by the Fire Authority and sent to the Home Office re the Police Commissioners plan to take over the Fire. We will have to wait and see what the home Office has to say about the application.  
Councillor R Evans is still chasing to see when the VAS for Hookagate will be installed.  
The financial Strategy which was to have gone to Cabinet this month has been postponed until the New Year. The full Council will look at this in February when they have to set the Budget. The Library strategy was withdrawn from discussion at a meeting today.  
The Environmental Maintenance Grant has been discussed and there will be a paper going to Cabinet on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. The recommendation is to have £90,000 next year instead of £150,000 as they had this year. No council with an electorate over 10,000 will be able to apply. The grants will be granted on a scoring system.  
Shropshire Council is looking at taking over the shopping centers this will be going to full council on 14<sup>th</sup> December. Money for Youth facilities will be divided geographically. An officer said this should go to the Market Towns and this is being looked at by a task and finish group.  
Council Tax. Everyone will have to pay 20%Council Tax with a few exceptions. This will benefit Shropshire Council by £500,000
- 7) **Confirmation and Acceptance of Minutes of meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017:** Councillor C Roberts asked for the sentence to be added to item 4 on the Parish Plan. It had been previously agreed that the Parish Council would give monies to the Parish Plan Steering Group. It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Councillor C Roberts, seconded by Councillor C Rigby and agreed by all members present.
- 8) **Matters arising:-**Clerk to report information only items not covered elsewhere on the agenda

- 9) **Local Plan Review.** Does the Council wish for the entire Parish to be included in the Cluster or just have Longden village as the cluster and the rest of the parish as Open Countryside. The Chairman proposed that Longden remain as a Cluster with all the other villages being designated as Open Countryside with an option to change at a later date if they so wished. This was seconded by Councillor P Carter and agreed by all members present.

**Council to review and agree the Annual Place Plan submission to Shropshire Council: This was agreed by the Council as:**

**Critical Strategic**

To improve road safety with the implementation of measures to address the speeding issues in all the settlements

Provision of a footpath along Longden Road to join the settlements

The retention of the shop in Longden

Broadband provision should be improved considerably

The retention of the services of the post office

A Bus Shelter for Longden Village

Improvements to the Playgrounds in Annscroft and Longden

**Priority- Local Strategic**

The retention of the rural character of the parish.

The development of community green areas

Maintenance and accessibility of footpaths and other rights of way

Housing should be strictly limited outside Longden Village

Provision of cycle lanes along Longden Road to join the settlements

**Key- Community**

Additional recycling facilities would be welcomed

There should be support for Longden School from the Parish

Ways of encouraging young families to support the school should be investigated

A tree planting scheme for the parish

Proposed By Councillor C Rigby; seconded by Councillor M Whittall and agreed by all members present.

- 10) **Council to adopt Longden Parish Plan;** It was agreed to adopt the Parish Plan. Proposed by Councillor C Rigby; seconded by Councillor R Evans and agreed by all members present. The Chairman presented members of the Parish Plan Steering Group with bunches of flowers and boxes of chocolates as a token of appreciation for all the hard work they had put in on the Parish Plan.

11) **Planning: i) clerk to report on earlier applications**

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: 16/02395/FUL: Reconsultation due to amendment on application 16/02395/Ful Land off Manor Lane. Awaiting decision

Reference: 17/00896/FUL (validated: 9<sup>th</sup> March): The Farriers, Annscroft, Shrewsbury. Awaiting decision

Reference: 17/01780/FUL: Land to the West of Green Lane, Exfords Green, Shrewsbury, Awaiting decision

Reference: 17/02068/VAR; 3 Chapel Cottages, Hookagate, Shrewsbury Awaiting decision

Reference: 17/02251/FUL (validated 11/5/2017): Myrtle Bank, Exfords Green, Awaiting Decision

Reference: 17/02306/VAR106: proposed residential development east of Wellbatch Farm, Hookagate. Awaiting decision

Reference: 17/02402/FUL: New Inn Hookagate, Awaiting decision.

Reference: 17/03984/V106: Pen-y-Pont Hookagate. Awaiting decision

Reference: 17/01780/FUL Land to west of Green Lane, Exfords Green; awaiting decision

Reference: 17/03822/FUL; Hazels Bank, Exfords Green; awaiting decision

Reference: 17/04534/VAR: Land adj Hall Farm, Summerhouse Lane Longden: awaiting decision

Reference: 17/04884/VAR (validated: 06/10/2017); Granted permission 29 November 2017

Reference: 17/04279/FUL (validated: 16/10/2017): Yews Barn, Lyth Bank, Shrewsbury, SY3 0BW Awaiting decision.

Reference: 17/05119/FUL; 15 Old Coppice; Great Lyth, Awaiting decision

**ii Council to consider new applications.**

- Reference: 17/05598/FUL  
Address ;Quercus House ,Exfords Green, Shrewsbury,SY5 8HQ  
Proposal: Remove exiting wall and piers and rebuild behind vision splay.  
After discussion it was agreed that the Council fully support and welcome this application. The Council also note the excessive use of external permanent lighting on the side of the Highway. Proposed by Councillor K Lovegrove; seconded by Councillor M Whittall and agreed by all members present.
- Reference: 17/5766/TEL  
Address: Proposed Telecommunications mast to the West of Upper Oaks Farm, Wrentnall.  
Proposal: Installation of 15m lattice mast to host broadband transmitting radio equipment and floor mounted ancillary equipment.  
After discussion it was agreed that the Parish council support this application.  
Proposed by Councillor C Rigby; seconded by Councillor C A Roberts and agreed by all members present.
- Reference:17/ 05612/TPO  
Address: 1, the Oaks, Hookagate, Shrewsbury  
Proposal: Works to 2 Scott's Pine tree  
After discussion it was agreed that the Parish council support this application; proposed by Councillor C A Roberts; seconded by Councillor K Lovegrove and agreed y all members present.
- Reference: 17/05338/FUL  
Address; the Red Lion Inn, Longden Common, Shrewsbury

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Signed.....

Dated; Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018

Proposal: Erection of two storey rear and single storey side extensions and internal and external alterations including solar panel, resurfacing of car park, erection of 2 Holiday lets, and conversion of 1 outbuilding into holiday let provision of car parking.

After discussion it was agreed that the Parish council need more information to make a fully informed decision. They are in principal in favour of these changes subject to the provision of sufficient information. Proposed by Councillor K Roberts; seconded by Councillor C Rigby and agreed by all members present.

## 12) Highway Matters:

- (a) Councillors to report any highway matters
- (b) The clerk had arranged a meeting with John Campion (Police & Crime Commissioner), Councillors M Whittall and P Carter along with Shropshire Councillor R Evans, the local Policeman PC Ross Cookson. This was to take place the following Wednesday morning at 11.30 am meeting in the Annscroft Church Car Park.

## 13) Communications and Correspondence: This was noted.

## 14) Finance:

- a) Council to receive decision from Finance Committee meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> November re the removal of equipment from the Annscroft Play Area. The Chairman notified members of the decision take by the Finance Committee on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. The successful contractor was hoping to begin work the following week Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017.
- b) Accounts due for payment; It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk; Proposed by Councillor C A Roberts; seconded by Councillor C Rigby and agreed by all members present.

	Payee	services	Amount
259	259	Expenses	177.73
	S/O LPardoe	Salary	504.47
258	HMRC	PAYE	18.40
		Total	700.60

- c) Council to receive Bank Account reconciliation; It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor C A Roberts; seconded by Councillor C Rigby and agreed by all members present.
- d) Council to approve any payments received after agenda has been sent out. There were no additional payments.
- e) Council to look at costs for replacement Notice Boards and decide on materials and type in preparation for the Finance Committee meeting to set the precept for ratification on January by full council. After discussion it was agreed to set up a working party to look at this and also where Notice Boards were needed. The group to bring back their recommendations to the full council in February. The working group to consist of Councillors C A Roberts, R Evans, N Evans, M Whittall.
- f) The members received some paperwork that would be discussed fully at the finance meeting on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December to set the budget and precept.

## 15) Play Areas:

- Councillor P Carter to update the meeting on progress made by the Working Group. The funding bid to Veolia had not been successful. The clerk was asked to ensure that the refurbished picnic bench is retained on site and the litter bin be relocated from the Play area to beside this.

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# **16) Parish Matters:**

- a) Councillor M Whittall asked what was happening with the street lights and the overgrown hedges. The clerk reported that a letter had been sent to the owners of the property where the foliage was obstructing the lights by E-on requesting they trim the foliage. Failure to do so would cause them to be trimmed and the owners would be charged for the work. Ian Walshaw had been contacted and he was getting Jonathan Ingoldby to look at getting the hedges trimmed.
- b) Councillor K Lovegrove said that she had put up some notices and they had seemed to help with the dog faeces problem.
- c) Councillor P Carter reported that the Red Lion Charity Auction had raised £6,100
- d) It was reported that there was a problem with mud on the roads. Councillor Lovegrove asked that members contact her direct and she would speak to the farmers concerned to get it cleared up.

- 17) **Date and time of next meeting.** It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 at 7.30pm at Longden Village Hall:  
 The Finance meeting would take place at the Village Hall on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December starting a 10.30am  
 The chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50pm.