

Longworth Parish Council

DRAFT MINUTES of PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.

Held at Longworth Village Hall at 7 pm on 26th October 2016

PRESENT: Mrs Carlisle (Clerk), Mr Hayward, Mr Hodgkins, Mrs Kinch, Mr Longstaff, Mr Pearce (Chairman), Mr Shaw, and 5 members of the public

120/16	APOLOGIES Apologies were received from Ms Sabathy and Mrs Woodford	
121/16	DECLARATIONS of INTEREST No new declarations of interest	
122/16	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING The minutes of the 14th September meeting were put before the Councillors and accepted as being correct and duly signed.	
123/16	ANTHONY HAYWARD The Local Plan (part 1) is on target for getting approved, this will then go to the full council meeting in December to be adopted, once adopted developers will have to abide by it. Then comes local Plan (Part 2) as part of this Local plan sites have been asked for around the vale, for housing below 200 units, and a further 1000 have to be allocated under part 2 allocation. In addition to this the Vale have been asked to meet part of Oxfords unmet housing need, of approximately 2000 over a 15 year period, this will kick in after approx.. 6 years, The area has been under supplied for years, now having to over supply to catch up with need. A further 200 units being requested in Southmoor (Oxford Road), together with a New Primary school and commercial units. There are currently grants available – on Vale website – closing date 7 th November– 2 types : new homes and general grants Update The application for a Supermarket in Kingston Bagpuize was declined at planning committee meeting on concerns re location and design	
124/16	OPEN SESSION It was requested that the PC register to receive Ed Vaizeys newsletter. A villager has requested a Village shop in the Village hall, it was requested that a proposal re this to be added to a subsequent meeting.	GC done GC feedback
125/16	MATTERS ARISING Clerk & Chairman met with waste team re requested dog waste bins, by the Church and by the allotments, and were advised that we could have one and it would be by the Church but that it would be some time before this was installed due to internal restructuring. Discussions and agreement need to be reached with the Manor and the Rector for final positioning of the bin. Clerk has asked Richard Cook to quote for repair, replace or remove The public gate next to Longworth House and adjacent to the allotment, waiting for quote now.	GC GC redone

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127/16	<p>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE</p> <p>The Longworth Neighbourhood plan is now “made” and enshrined in planning policy. Ronan Leydon (VOWH planning) has requested a meeting on 1st November with the N.P. committee to discuss :</p> <p>how the Parish Council should interpret the plan.</p> <p>The Chairman advised that 3 and 1/2 years have been put into creating this plan with a lot amount of effort from several people, the Parish Council would like to record a huge thanks to the N.P Team and in particular Ms Sabathy for tirelessly working through this, and bringing it to a successful conclusion.</p>																							
128/16	<p>PLANNING MATTERS/APPLICATIONS</p> <p>New Applications</p> <p>P16/V2408/HH Betteshanger house Single storey extension and new Dormer window Vote – unanimously no objection</p> <p>P16/V2437/PDA Southern Grainstore Northfield Orchard Farm No response required</p> <p>P16/V2626/FUL Princes Farm – minor changes to existing plans Unanimously Objection re density and enlarged footprint – to be referred to Mr Hayward to take to committee, fully supported original, but don’t support revised plans.</p> <p>Updates</p> <p>P15/V2863/O Potting Shed nurseries application update Mr Moody the landowner pulled out of the enquiry and has withdrawn the planning application. On advice of our counsel we are requesting costs from Jack Moody, via planning inspectorate. Mr Pearce is collating final costs then will begin in the process of returning what is anticipated to be approx. 90% of the fighting fund money back to donors. If our claim is successful and we get money back from Mr Moody, to refill coffers, Parish Council voted unanimously to pay back the remainder of the donations ie the approximate 10% spent. A member of the public thanked the PC for all their work on this.</p> <p>P16/V0304/FUL Squirrel Cottage application (10 dwellings) Mr Sharkey contacted the P.C. to ask why we objected, and whether the PC would support development of the pool house only. It was thought that they may be a covenant on the land</p>																							

	<p>to prevent further building and also a condition on the “pool house consent”, stating that the pool house would be ancillary to Squirrel Cottage. Councillors had differing views on this some thinking that it makes sense to turn into a house, or that there would be no reason to object, with others who were in the majority stating that we should resist a change of use to the pool house given the condition in the original consent.</p> <p>In conclusion it was agreed that the council would not be happy with further development, but difficult to be specific until a planning application had been submitted. Mr Sharkey was to be advised accordingly.</p>	
129/16	<p>PLAYGROUND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> September carried out by Mr Pearce, October by ROSPA Project nearing completion, the old equipment has been removed, and the new activity trail fitted together with a spinning post and repairs to zip wire, swings and roundabout. The bark has been topped up under the zip wire, and the hedged trimmed back. The Rospa report pointed out one or two small issues to be dealt with during the year. It was agreed that Mr Longstaff didn't need to do the October inspection as Rospa had inspected everything very thoroughly on 21st October 	
130/16	<p>CHURCHYARD AND BURIAL GROUND – ROBERT LONGSTAFF</p> <p>Mr Longstaff produced a comprehensive report for discussion at the meeting</p> <p>Visual aspect it was agreed that this needs Dialogue between the PC, PCC & Rector, on the style of upkeep to be achieved. Mr Longstaff agreed to communicate with the rector and Mr Pearce the PCC</p> <p>It was agreed that a stringent contract needed to be issued re maintenance of the area to prevent further damage in particular near monuments.</p> <p>Mr Longstaff will investigate a proposal for a voluntary apprentice scheme with professional involvement and training, which he would be happy to be involved with.</p> <p>It was agreed that correct records and contracts to be issued to plot holders going forward, a defined contract signed and retained by both parties detailing what can and cannot be done. The Oak Trees need to be considered further, whether these are removed.</p> <p>Although the general rules state that it is the grave-holders responsibility to maintain grave, it was agreed if there is a problem caused by the trees the PC would probably pay for this.</p> <p>The consensus re repairs was if you can find someone, write to them, if not then the PC has to pay.</p> <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was agreed to have a PC meeting with Ben from BGG as soon as possible, to discuss maintenance of the churchyard and damage done. Records and contracts – instructions and rules need to be drafted Faculty – to be drafted and costed Insurers to be contacted, to discuss Parish cover and ensure that the graveyard and playground are adequately covered 2 Listed monuments – need maintenance: Tomb covered in ivy, and monument to left of porch, Liaison with War Graves commission Oak Tree Removal ? Implementation of routine maintenance 	<p>)RL/MP)/GC) RL GC/RL RL RL RL/MP GC/RL</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Bin to be removed? Mr Pearce to discuss with Mr French and advise • Disabled space, check signage and use to ensure used by those needing it 	MP GC
131/16	ALLOTMENT UPDATE – WENDY WOODFORD There was no update	
132/16	NORTHERN ALLOTMENT FIELD The Pointon's have paid their final rental for October, their tenancy terminates at the end of October. New Contracts issued to Richard Spencer and Pippa French who will now share the rental of the field. (based on business farm tenancy). Clerk to send Rent demand to Mr Spencer and a receipted Rent demand to Mrs French.	GC done
133/16	TRANSPORT UPDATE Comet Bus started 12 th October, and has been very successful, the first journey was over-subscribed, and residents from Appleton were unable to get on, so a 2 nd bus was run for Appleton only. Mrs Kinch to find out what happened with the 3 rd bus as there were issues. There are 5 more weeks of trial to iron out problems and a meeting will be held soon to decide process going forward.	LK
134/16	SPEEDWATCH INITIATIVE This has been advertised in Seven Voices last month and again this month. The next NAG meeting is 24 th November, Mr Hodgkins will discuss Speedwatch with other villages at this meeting. Light up signs to also be discussed at NAG meeting	MH
	SNARES 2 members of the public have expressed concerns over the snares set for foxes in the copses on the land near Harrowdown Hill, it was agreed that Clerk would send a message round the village email and put on the Village website to warn villagers	GC done
135/16	CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED Request for funding received to be added to next meeting agenda	GC done
136/16	ANY OTHER BUSINESS There was none	
137/16	DATE OF NEXT MEETING 7 th December in the Village Hall at 7pm	

The meeting ended at 8.45pm

Signed.....

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