

MINUTES of the Lydiard Millicent Parish Council meeting held Thursday, 3rd November 2016 in Lydiard Millicent Parish Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs Dean Cobb, Roland Dodge, Jonathan Hearne, Andrew Harris (Chairman), Andre Kayani, Alan Pflieger, Mike Sharp.
Mrs Deborah Bourne (Clerk)

Also Present: Wilts Cllr Mollie Groom and 9 members of the public.

Public Question Time

Some residents sent written questions to the Council prior to the meeting, to which the Chairman gave answers. Other concerns were mainly the tidiness of the parish, with the Parish Steward only attending once a month it is not possible to ensure pavements are free of leaves and debris. Discussion held as to what residents would like to be achieved. The Parish Council is considering employment of a "village handyman" to help lessen some of the more troublesome areas.

It was also noted that residents should try to take ownership of some of the difficulties the parish has; all residents are encouraged to report large lorries who use the village as a short cut, and to keep their own hedges cut, not allowing them to encroach onto pavements and public rights of way. Special thanks were given to David Tapscott and Alan Pflieger who keep the bus shelters and surrounding areas clean and tidy at The Beeches and Holborn, and to all residents who keep the pavements outside their properties clean and tidy.

A statement was made on behalf of Unit 4 Bagbury Park, a planning application is due for consideration later in the meeting.

Neighbourhood Watch: The Neighbourhood Policing team, together with a response team and local crime investigators will now be included as part of the new Community Policing Team, it is hoped this new approach will give members of the public a better service. Lydiard Millicent's contact is now PC Marie Poole.

Wiltshire Council: Wilts. Cllr Mollie Groom updated members. The Chairman requested Cllr Groom confirm the alternative routes while improvements take place at J16; there is concern drivers will use Lydiard Millicent as a short cut. There is also concern about added traffic whilst the Ridgeway Farm development is taking place.

127/16 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Robert Baggs and Vernon Montgonery.

128/16 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest in items on this agenda.

129/16 Minutes

It was RESOLVED to adopt the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held Thursday 6th October 2016 as a true record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

130/16 Chairman's Communications

Cllr Mike Sharp will be laying a wreath on behalf of the Council during the Remembrance Sunday service at the Church.

131/16 **Attendance at Meetings with Outside Bodies**

There have been no meetings on behalf of the Council with outside bodies during the past month.

132/16 **Clerk's Report**

The Clerk updated members on her recent Conference. A written report will be circulated to all members. It was also noted the Clerk will be away on Friday 4th November and Thursday 10th November.

133/16 **Planning Matters**

a. Determinations

The Council noted that there were no planning decisions made by Wiltshire Council during the last month that affected the parish of Lydiard Millicent.

b. Applications

- i.* 16/09020/FUL – Unit 4 Bagbury Park, Lydiard Green
Change of use to Mixed B1 and D1 uses.

RESOLVED to send objections to this application for the following reasons:

- There being only 8 car parking spaces, the Council does not consider this an adequate number
- The application states the site will be used during the evenings and on Saturdays; this will have a detrimental effect on residents living in close proximity.

- ii.* 16/09171/FUL – Hillview, Stone Lane, Lydiard Millicent
Convert and adapt outbuilding as dwelling.

RESOLVED to send No Objections to this Planning Application.

- iii.* 16/09955/FUL – 8 Meadow Springs, Lydiard Millicent
Retrospective application to increase height of single storey flat roof from previously approved scheme of extension and alteration (resubmission of 16/04624/FUL)

RESOLVED to send No Objections to this Planning Application.

134/16 **Training / Conference Fees**

The Clerk recently attended the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) Annual Conference at a cost of £264.00 which she financed personally.

The Chairman suggested, as this attendance would benefit her employers, this cost should be borne by each Parish Council as detailed:

Lydiard Millicent PC	£132.00
Little Somerford PC	£66.00
Broad Town PC	£66.00

The Chairman has also written to the Chairmen of Little Somerford and Broad Town with this proposal.

RESOLVED to authorise payment of £132.00 to the Clerk, this being half of the total cost of the Conference.

135/16 **Finance**

RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts.

Lydiard Millicent Parish Hall	25.75
Westlea Landscaping Ltd	546.00
Salary October 16	534.32
Office Furniture	95.50
Sundries JCH	51.75

136/16 **Lydiard Millicent and Parish (LMaP) Neighbourhood Plan**

Clr Dodge updated the Council on progress. An initial meeting was held on 18th October and another is scheduled for 8th November.

137/16 **NEW-V Neighbourhood Plan**

Verbal report and update from Clr Dodge and the Clerk on progress of this group. Discussion took place as to why Wiltshire Council required their specific wording.

RESOLVED to accept the wording provided by Wiltshire Council Spatial Planners allowing parishes to leave the NEW-V designated areas. The specific words are contained in 1 and 2 below:

1. Lydiard Millicent Parish Council has resolved to consent to the modification of the North East Wiltshire Villages (NEW-V) neighbourhood area as originally designated on 14th May 2013 reflecting the application submitted by Purton Parish Council to designate Purton Parish as a neighbourhood area. The modified NEW-V neighbourhood area is shown on the accompanying Plan A and would consist of the parishes of Broad Town, Clyffe Pypard, Lydiard Millicent, Lydiard Tregoz, Lyneham & Bradenstoke, and Tockenham,
2. Further to the resolution in 1 above and in the event that the above modification is approved by Wiltshire Council, the named Parish Council has resolved to consent to the further modification of the North East Wiltshire Villages (NEW-V) as shown on the accompanying Plan B that would consist of the parishes of Broad Town, Clyffe Pypard, Lydiard Millicent, Lydiard Tregoz and Tockenham, reflecting the application submitted by Lyneham & Bradenstoke Parish as a neighbourhood area.

138/16 **Community Field**

Chairman updated the Council as to progress. The principle of the car park still stands, but ideas for the whole site are now being looked into. A car park with lower specifications is also being investigated, in order to save some money and not be so onerous to the residents.

139/16 **Reinstatement of the Cricket Square at the Recreation Field**

Purton Cricket Club had previously volunteered to refurbish the abandoned Cricket Square at the Recreation Field in order to play next season; but on inspection it is in

a worse condition than originally thought. It will need some professional help and will not be at the required standard to use next year.

Members of Purton Cricket Club will do some further research and report back with updates. The Council thanked the members of Purton Cricket Club for their work, although it is disappointing there will be no cricket next year.

140/16 **Working Group Updates**

a. *Finance and Administration*

This Working Group is currently preparing a draft budget with the Clerk for consideration at a later meeting.

b. *Open Spaces*

There has been no meeting this month, but a pigeon deterrent has been placed on top of some play equipment, and a lock placed on the rubbish bin at the Jubilee Club House to stop fly tipping. The Christmas Tree is due to be installed on Saturday 26 November at 8.00am. Cllr Pflieger would appreciate some help from other Councillors and Residents to put the tree up and attach the lights, making it a community effort. Chairman requested that a formal "Switching On" ceremony be arranged, a suggested date being 3rd December.

c. *Highways*

No meeting held this month. Cllr Cobb reminded members that it is the landowners responsibility to cut hedges, and that the placing of objects (stone boulders, posts etc) on the roadside verges must first be agreed and licenced by Wiltshire Council. Highways issues should be reported through to the clerk or local councillors who will be able to advise the best action; some issues can be forwarded to the Parish Stewards, whilst others need to be reported to Wiltshire Council on their "Highways App". This App is available for members of the public to use and are encouraged to do so; details can be obtained from Wiltshire Council website.

141/16 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of Lydiard Millicent Parish Council will be held on Thursday 1st December 2016, commencing at 7.30pm in Lydiard Millicent Parish Hall.

The meeting finished at 8.45pm

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Cllr Andrew Harris
Chairman