

LYDIARD MILLICENT PARISH COUNCIL

FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Lydiard Millicent Parish Council meeting- held at the Lydiard Millicent Parish Hall, Church Place, Lydiard Millicent, Swindon SN5 3LS on Thursday 3rd July 2014 commencing at 7:30pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Tim Blackmore (Chair), Alan Pflieger (Vice Chair), John Bennett, Simon Burley, Dean Cobb, Alison McLean-Crawford, Tom Pepperall and David Rees.

OFFICER PRESENT: Clerk to the Council

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT: Thirteen.

40. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Mollie Groom, Andrew Harris and Steve Mowbray.

41. SAFETY BRIEFING

A safety briefing was given to the 13 members of the public and the 8 Councillors present.

42. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

43. MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Thursday 5th June 2014 be agreed and signed as a correct record

44. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising raised.

45. POLICE REPORT

There was no Police report presented.

46. WILTSHIRE COUNCIL REPORT

There was no Wiltshire Council report presented as Cllr Groom had sent her apologies to the meeting.

47. PUBLIC RECESS

There were 13 members of the public present.

The Chairman, Cllr Blackmore, informed those present that Mr Ted Wicks had passed away. He was a regular attendee to Council meetings and had served as a Councillor for over 20 years as well as taking an active role in village life.

Mr Tapscott paid further tribute and said he would be sadly missed.

The meeting was also informed that Mr Trevor Greenwood had also passed away recently.

Concern was raised regarding the poor state of maintenance to the footpath between Church Farm and The Beeches. The meeting was informed that this had now been cut back by the Chairman of the Parish Council. There was currently a land ownership dispute between the owner and Wiltshire Council.

48. ITEMS OF LATE BUSINESS

The following items of late business were discussed:

- (a) **Casa Paulo Junction** – Concern had been raised regarding the location of the hedge at this location as the road sign was now partly obscured by the hedge. Cllr Bennett agreed to inform Jon Moss of Wiltshire Council as the management and maintenance of the verge was their responsibility.
- (b) **Bus Stop, The Butts** – Council was informed that parents were emailed by the school during the week following three near misses at the bus stop of children being knocked off their bicycles as a result of cars reversing off the area. The children had been doing a bikeability course. There was genuine concern expressed that an accident may occur at this location if no action is taken.

It was agreed to bring the matter to Wiltshire Council's attention and request permission to erect a "No Parking" sign at this location to discourage parking. Advice would also be sought on what action could be taken to address this issue and reduce the risk factor in the future. In the meantime a polite notice would be erected.

49. PARISH HALL COMMITTEE

Council was informed that the planning application to create additional car parking to the rear of the Parish Hall was to be considered by Wiltshire Council in the next week or so. One query had been raised regarding the width of the access road and this had been successfully answered.

50. PLAYGROUND INSPECTION REPORTS

The Playground Inspection Report for July 2014 was received from Cllr Pepperall.

Council was informed that some drug paraphernalia had been found in the play area and this had been reported to the police.

The bench had also disappeared in the Mews play area. This would be formally reported to the police.

51. PLANNING MATTERS

- (a) **Planning Applications** – Council **RESOLVED** to submit the following comments:

Application Number: 14/05083/FUL

Site Location: 4 The Close Lydiard Millicent Swindon Wiltshire SN5 3NJ

Proposal: Two Storey Extension to Front and Side

Comment: No Objection

Application Number: 14/05859/FUL
Site Location: Land off Purton Road, Swindon, Wiltshire SN
Proposal: Proposed construction of Phase 2 primary infrastructure including roads, drainage and structural landscape.
Comment: No Objection

Application Number: 14/05915/FUL
Site Location: 24 The Beeches, Lydiard Millicent, Wiltshire SN5 3LT
Proposal: Single Storey Rear Extension
Comment: No Objection

Application Number: 14/06102/FUL
Site Location: 3 Church Place, Lydiard Millicent, SN5 3NE
Proposal: Single Storey Sunroom & Detached Annexe (Revision to 13/01251/FUL)
Comment: No Objection

(b) **Grants & Refusals** – The following grants and refusal were **NOTED**:

GRANTS

Application Number: 14/04362/TPO
Site Location: Manor House, Church Place, Lydiard Millicent, Wilts SN5 3LS
Proposal: 30% Crown Reduction to 1 Horse Chestnut Tree and 25% Crown Reduction and Re-Pollard to 1 Horse Chestnut Tree
Decision: Approved with Conditions

Application Number: N/13/01527/FUL
Site Location: Land to Rear of 12 Buryfields, Lydiard Millicent, SN5 3NF
Proposal: New Dwelling & Access
Decision: Approved with Conditions

Application Number: 14/04598/FUL
Site Location: 3 Chestnut Springs Lydiard Millicent, Wiltshire SN5 3NA
Proposal: Single Storey Rear Extension
Decision: Approved with Conditions

Application Number: 14/04635/FUL
Site Location: 1 The Crescent, Swindon, Wiltshire SN5 5LA
Proposal: Side Conservatory
Decision: Approved with Conditions

REFUSALS

Application Number: 14/02304/OUT
Site Location: Land at 15 The Beeches, Lydiard Millicent, Swindon SN5 3LT
Proposal: Single Storey Dwelling (Outline)
Decision: Refused

52. HIGHWAY MATTERS

(a) **Highway Updates** – Council was informed that confirmation had been received that the stone wall at Manor Farm was the responsibility of the owner. This was currently being disputed. Wiltshire Council would continue to monitor the situation and if it became more damaged they would take steps to protect highway users. The enforcement team would also look into the boulder issue identified at the Casa Paulo junction.

(b) **Ridgeway Development** – Council was informed that no meeting had taken place to date with Taylor Wimpey. £50,000 of Section 106 funding had been secured to improve the Casa Paulo/Common Platt highway. It would be the responsibility of Wiltshire Council to carry out the improvements as it saw fit.

It was noted that improved signage to discourage construction traffic from passing through the village was to be provided.

(c) **Washpool Road** – The proposed resurfacing scheme and culvert maintenance programme in this area had been postponed until August. It would be carried out following the completion of highway maintenance work in The Street.

(d) **Road Closures** – The following notification of road closures were noted:

- Purton Carnival – Saturday 28th June 2014 from 13:00 to 15:00
- (a) C28 Lydiard Millicent; from its junction with C414 Restrop Road to its junction with Washpool
- (b) C28 (Part) Lydiard Millicent; from its junction with C34 Church Place to its junction with Washpool

(e) **Miscellaneous Highway Matters** – Council received a verbal report on the following items relating to Highway matters within the parish.

The Highways Working Group had met with Mr Steve Hind to discuss a number of highway issues within the Parish including the junctions at Casa Paulo, stone Lane and Common Platt. It appeared that there may be some Highway safety Scheme funding available which the Parish Council could apply.

Mr Hind had agreed to draw up some traffic calming proposals for consideration and to enable the Council to apply for potential funding for a future scheme.

A new calming scheme was to be drawn up for the chicane opposite the Parish Hall as a number of issues with the existing scheme had been identified. Funding would be required to implement a revised scheme.

Designs were also going to be developed by Mr Hind to extend the footpath to the bus stop in The Street and to widen the footpath to improve safety at the chicane.

53. OPEN SPACES

- (a) **Lydiard Plain** – Council received an update regarding the Rural Payments Agency grant received annually for this piece of land. Advice received indicated that the revised scheme had not been completed yet and the official description of a farmer was awaited. It was possible that the Council may be able to continue to claim the grant in future but if it was unable to, then this would have a significantly detrimental effect on the 2015/16 budget.
- (b) **Fees & Charges** – Members discussed the revised fees and charges for the football pitches for the forthcoming season. It was noted that use of the changing facilities, grass cutting, white lining and cleaning of the clubhouse was all included in the price.

Council **RESOLVED** to adopt a revised fee of £35 per game for the sports facilities managed by Council. It was further agreed to review the charge of the cricket pitch at the end of the season.

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quotation from Swindon Commercial Services of £387.10 + VAT to carry out eight cuts of the field. Cllr Pepperall would confirm this with SCS.

- (c) **Miscellaneous Open Spaces Matters** – Council was informed that there was a verge within the parish where a number of orchids were growing. The information had been passed on to Wiltshire Council with a request to protect the verge.

54. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Council received a comprehensive update from Cllr Bennett which was provided to all members for information. It was noted that the project was nearing completion though there were some issues relating to Lydiard Tregoze which would hopefully be addressed by 16th July 2014.

55. SPEEDWATCH UPDATE

Cllr Pflieger informed those present that 143 speeding motorists had been identified with one visit to someone who had been clocked at 46mph. The group was currently sharing a speed gun but it was hoped that an additional gun could be secured.

56. FINANCIAL MATTERS

- (a) **Monthly Expenditures** – Council **RATIFIED** the following expenditure:

PAYEE	ITEM	NET	VAT	TOTAL
R Leckie	Salary	£39.00	£0.00	£39.00
P Russell	Salary (inc NI)	£281.15	£0.00	£281.15
Inland Revenue	PAYE Payments	£70.20	£0.00	£70.20
LMP Hall	Hire of Hall June 14	£25.00	£0.00	£25.00
Enlan Ltd	Grounds Contract Fee	£420.00	£84.00	£504.00
JCH Cleaning	June 14 Cleaning	£84.00	£0.00	£84.00
Community First	Subscription	£36.00	£0.00	£36.00
RBS	Maintenance Fee	£109.00	£21.80	£130.80
	TOTAL	£1,064.35	£105.80	£1,170.15

Council noted the following direct debits :

PAYEE	ITEM	TOTAL
British Gas	Monthly Gas	£25.00
Thames Water	Monthly Water JCH	£30.00
Thames Water	Monthly Water Cemetery	£5.00
Southern Electric	Monthly Electric	£33.00
British Telecom	Quarterly Phone	£15.54
	TOTAL	£108.54

Council noted that income received to date included the half year precept of £10,023 and a VAT refund of £2,219.99.

- (b) **IT Report** – Council received and discussed the IT report that had been distributed to all members.

Following consideration it was agreed to defer a decision until a further review had been carried out. The matter would be reconsidered at the next Full Council meeting on 7th August 2014.

57. OTHER MATTERS

- (a) **The Community Foundation for Wiltshire and Swindon** – Council noted that this grants programme was available to all local community groups.
- (b) **Mobile Library** – Council noted that the mobile library would be visiting Lydiard Millicent every second Monday on the following dates at the Sun Inn between 10:20 and 10:40am:
- 14th & 28th July, 11th August, 8th & 22nd September, 6th & 20th October, 3rd & 17th November, 1st, 15th & 29th December 2014.

58. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting would be held on Thursday 7th August 2014 in the Parish Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

There being no other business the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

CHAIR:

DATE: