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Draft Minutes of Annual Parish Council meeting held Long Marston Village Hall, August 15th 2022, at 7.30pm

Members Present: Cllr. Ian Johnsey (Chair), Cllr Bill Tempest, Cllr. Davis, Cllr. Margaret Clarke, Cllr. Mike Hillier, Cllr. Hodges, Cllr Whittaker

Also present: Cllr. Perteghella and 1 member of the public.

Not present: Cllr. Pemberton

1.Apologies

None

2.Declaration of Interest

Cllr. Hodges declared pecuniary interest in LMA

3.Public Open Session

3.1 A resident asked whether the plans for the open space to the rear of Perry Orchard would be open for public consultation. Members advised a working group was in place and would prepare information to put to residents asap. The process to transfer the land was still with the PC solicitors .

3.2 A question was asked about speed visors and whether these would be placed in the village to help reduce speeding traffic. Members confirmed this and other options would be considered once the work to the main road had been completed.

3.3.The ground maintenance work to Barley Fields play area continues to be poorly executed with areas missed. Clerk to discuss with the PC contractor.

4. District & County Councillor Reports

4.1 Cllr. Perteghella discussed points from her report including waste collection and food caddies

4.2 It was confirmed restricted opening times were still in place for Stratford District Council with the closing time @ 2pm. Members asked why this was the case when other businesses had returned to normal working hours.

4.3 Members were advised Minor Injury Unit at Stratford Hospital would be open 2 days each week. It was suggested given the population of Stratford; a more robust hospital system should be available including an A&E.

5. Minutes of the previous meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on July 18th 2022, were agreed as an accurate record and were approved.

6. Clerks comments on all matters outstanding.

6.1 Climate change and biodiversity. Parish councils are recognising the climate change emergency and the need to review any initiatives to help protect natural habitat. Cllr. Whittaker is organising working groups to focus on this topic to secure professional advice on how to conduct an informed study. It was resolved to reserve funds of £3000 to cover professional costs but to provide members with what any expenditure covers and what the outcomes are expected.

6.2 The Clerk confirmed contact had been made with David Cole from WCC re securing some monies back from the biodiversity offset fee. David Cole has suggested a site visit to the Open Space would be productive. Date to be finalised.

6.3 The clerk advised members of all funding requests to support the Open Space and Meon Vale projects.

7. Open Space Transfer

7.1. Members discussed the recent communication from Josy Hague and the change to the plans submitted by Lagan Homes. The plans were analysed and it was felt the modifications were minor. However, to fully clarify all points, members approved a meeting with Ladders should this be required.

7.2. Council members wanted to remind SDV enforcement of conditions relating to the Open Space, that these had not been adhered to, and to have the response back before the transfer is concluded. Clerk to action.

7.3 Council members were asked to approve a short list of names submitted by the working group as potential names for the open space. Members approved securing a residents vote by providing details in the newsletter.

8. Meon Vale (confidential agenda point).

8.1. Members resolved to acquire the assets discussed and to do this jointly with the noted party. More details will be noted in subsequent minutes once we are legally permitted to do so.

9 All Things Wild

9.1 It was resolved to adopt the report drafted by Cllr. Tempest and submit on the planning portal. Clerk to action.

10. Ground Maintenance – Thos. Fox

10.1 Members discussed the poor performance of the ground maintenance contractor noting missed areas to Barley Fields. Clerk to discuss with Thos. Fox and continue to scrutinize invoices to check what work is being charged and assess work done before next PC meeting.

11. Correspondence

11.1 Clerk informed members of recent email received from the newsletter editor and her resignation. The editor has agreed to stay in post until replacement has been found. The editor's role and rate of pay to be reviewed.

11.2 With the demise of Warwick Print, council members approved the pursuit of an online option.

12. Finance

12.1 Bank Reconciliation was provided and approved

12.2 Following transactions were report and approved:

12.3 Payments made

Date	Payee	Cheque No	£	Details
05/05/2022	Thos. Fox	BP	767.01	Ground Maintenance
15/08/2022	HP instant Ink	BP	22.49	Printer Ink

12.4. Payments approved

15/08/2022	Thos. Fox	BP	394.37	Ground Maintenance
15/08/2022	Uberdoodle	BP	85.00	Website
15/08/2022	Avon Printing	BP	273.00	Neighbourhood Plan
19/08/2022	HSBC	BP	22.70	Bank Charges
04/09/2022	Parish Online	BP	54.00	Annual Subscription

12.5 Pavilion Community Centre, payments made

01/08/2022	British Gas	DD	110.78	Gas Supply
01/08/2022	Londis	DC	232.45	Stock invoice
02/08/2022	Nisbets	DC	61.68	Commodities
05/08/2022	LPC Bakery	BP	106.74	Commodities
05/08/2022	Bouncing Bros.	BP	70.00	Fun Day
06/08/2022	H Leedham	BP	582.20	Stock commodities
06/08/2022	Hobbycraft	DC	37.50	Fun Day
08/08/2022	Tesco	DC	22.80	Commodities
08/08/2022	Waitrose	DC	30.50	Commodities
12/08/2022	Morrisons	DC	90.98	Commodities

12.6 Pavilion Community Centre, payments approved

15/08/2022	H Leedham	BP	249.20	Commodities
15/08/2022	Origin Eden	BP	320.00	Coffee Commodities
15/08/2022	Bentens	BP	120.00	Payroll
15/08/2022	SK Hillier	BP	201.57	Treat a Friend (C.Centre)
15/08/2022	SK Hillier	BP	226.69	Commodities
15/08/2022	J Batchelor	BP	23.05	Commodities
15/08/2022	Eco Workshop	BP	160.00	Card Sales (C.Centre)
21/08/2022	Biffa Waste	DD	98.26	Waste Collection

13. Neighbourhood Plan

13.1 Cllr. Davis confirmed Reg 14 had been concluded, and the steering group are working through the responses; All responses are entered into a comment's response form. This may prompt an amendment to the plan or have reasons for not doing so. For consultation may be required to assist with this.

14. Planning

14.1 Cllr Tempest had discussed the ATW application with no further planning matters to be discussed.

15. Councillor Reports

15.1 Cllr. Clarke advised the results of her site visit to Barley Fields play area. Damage to the edging of the pathway was identified and Komplan have been notified. Members also discussed the gate to the play area and whether this should be replaced. Action point before next PC meeting.

15.2 Cllr. Whittaker provided members with a report from Meon Vale Residents Assoc. Meon Vale will also be incorporated into the biodiversity project Cllr. Whittaker will undertake, proposing two working groups to cover Long Marston and Meon Vale.

16. Date of next Parish Council Meeting

19th September Long Marston Village Hall.

Debbie Woodliffe

Parish Clerk.