

Longdon Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Highways and Open Space Committee held at 7.30pm on Monday 22nd May 2017 at WI Hall, Longdon.

Parish Councillors; H Meere (Chair), A Fullwood, John Watkins, K Taylor, Cllr P Couchman

Apologies;

Non-Attendance; Cllr C Kemp,

Clerk; H Goodreid

In Attendance; Will Rose, Cllr G Duckett, SCC Cllr Martyn Tittley

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Min No.	Item	Action
47 47.1	Apologies for Absence Cllr Kemp had not sent apologies for the meeting.	
48 48.1	Declarations of Interest None were declared.	
49 49.1	Chairman to close meeting for public session No members of public were in attendance	
50 50.1	Minutes from the Meeting held 3rd April 2017 These were agreed and accepted. Proposed: Cllr Watkins; Seconded: Cllr Couchman	
51	<p>Matters Arising on the Minutes</p> <p>37.1 <i>Sunny Corner</i> – two of the six parking spaces had been reoriented. Clerk responded to the planning application saying that whilst the parish council still were not happy with the application going ahead for the site, the reorientation of the spaces was not a specific cause for concern.</p> <p>37.2 <i>Lorries in Upper Way</i> - Cllr Tittley has sent through the recent speed and size of vehicle figures in Upper Longdon. These figures have been sent to the police. The box was in situ for a week and covered 24 hours a day. As the law has changed on speeding, Cllr Tittley hoped that we would see a reduction in speeding offences in the parish. Cllr Tittley has asked SCC officers to draw up a plan for Phase 2 of the Upper Longdon speed reduction scheme. Cllr Tittley will bring this design to the parish council to discuss. A copy of the proposals will then be sent to residents of Upper Longdon and a public meeting held.</p> <p>41.4 <i>Signage</i> – Clerk to write to district council re cost of installing the signs for the gateway features.</p> <p>41.7 <i>Sign for Longdon Green</i> – Clerk to chase</p> <p>43 <i>Footpath 72</i> – rear of Hood Lane –Will to check on required work</p> <p>43.5 <i>Tree Works</i> – Clerk to chase tenders for the tree work – to include issue of shedding branches on the Robinia tree off Berkeley Way</p> <p>43.6 <i>Tree Works</i> – Clerk to chase Gareth Hare re matter of damage to Robinia tree.</p>	<p>To be put to a future meeting of Highways and Open Spaces</p> <p>Clerk to action</p> <p>Clerk to action</p> <p>Will Rose to action</p> <p>Clerk to action</p> <p>Clerk to action</p>
52 52.1	Community Paths Initiative The parish council noted the email from Beacon Way path.	

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<p>53 53.1</p> <p>53.2</p> <p>53.3</p>	<p>Best Kept Village</p> <p>A total of 88 posters had been entered to the parish council competition for Children’s BKV poster. The following awards were made: 3 x first prize, 3 x second prize and 4 special commendations on 15th May by Cllr Taylor who had attended assembly and presented certificates to each child and gift vouchers. Permission was given for 3 posters to be entered into the BKV formal competition (deadline 1st June). Photograph will be put into Longdon Life. The expenses were submitted for £65 to cover the vouchers for the winners. Picture of winners to go on the website.</p> <p>Will Rose mentioned the poor condition of the street gutters where weeds were growing. It was suggested that residents clean the weeds from the gutters outside their properties. Cllr Watkins to suggest to local residents on Brook End.</p> <p>Thanks went to Cllrs Fullwood and Taylor for their work in preparing the neighbourhood for the BKC competition.</p>	<p>Cllr Watkins to chase</p>
<p>54 54.1</p>	<p>Signage</p> <p>It was agreed that a letter be sent to the Red Lion, Chetwynd Arms, Swan with Two Necks and the Post Office to advise that advertising signs should not be on the highway verges. Same letter also to be sent to the company advertising on Giddywell Lane/Stockings Lane.</p>	<p>Clerk to action</p>
<p>55 55.1</p>	<p>Item for Discussion</p> <p><u>Repairs of Stiles</u></p> <p><i>Chase Hood Lane</i> Will Rose to advise if worked on. <i>Footpath 33 Hill Top stile</i> – footplate is loose and posts are leaning. This needs work doing to it. <i>Footpath 46</i> – from A51 to Giddywell – popular path the undergrowth and overgrowth is restricting access over the stile. Will has cut back vegetation but stile is in need of replacement.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Clerk contact Niall Pinson to get stiles installed and repairs undertaken.</p> <p>Clerk to check insurance obligations regarding cover for co-opted representatives undertaking work on behalf of the parish council. Proposed: Cllr Taylor; Seconded: Cllr Fullwood The motion was carried</p> <p><i>Footpath 30</i> – top gate is rotten and Will Rose is to fix the gate.</p> <p><u>Footpaths</u> Walk leaflets: A new print run of leaflets was requested: Walks 1 – 6 x 500 copies of each, Walk 7 x 250 copies Walk 8 x no copies. The previous cost for the leaflets had been £106 for 500. It was agreed that providing Benhill Press would not charge more than £120 for 500, Clerk was to order them. Proposed: Cllr Taylor; Seconded: Cllr Couchman The motion was carried</p> <p><u>Tree Works</u> This had been discussed earlier in the meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk to contact Niall Pinson.</p> <p>Clerk to action</p>
<p>56 56.1</p>	<p>Project Development</p> <p>Cllrs to consider possible projects for 2017/2018 to be considered at the</p>	<p>Clerk to put on agenda for next meeting</p>

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	next meeting.	
57 57.1	Risk Assessment Will Rose to clarify with Clerk the location of ditches for clearing on Lysways Lane.	Will Rose
57.2	The high risk items on the Risk Assessment were considered.	
58 58.1	Correspondence Email from Val Shand re dead tree in car park at St James car park. Clerk to place on tree works tender.	Clerk to action
58.2	Email from John Watkins re over hanging vegetation on footpath on Brook End. John to have word about asking local farmer to cut back.	Cllr Meer to pass Cllr Watkins number of farmer concerned
58.3	Planning Applications: There were quickly discussed and it was agreed that Clerk seek an extension to the Tithe Barn application so it could be considered by full council.	Clerk to action
59 59.1	Councillors Reports Cllr Meere – Footpaths grant – The deadline ws the 16 th June. It was agreed to consider putting in for Church Hollow and footpath along Glebe Field needs re setting.	Cllr Meere to action
60 60.1	Suggested Date of Future meetings Monday 3 rd July 7.00pm	

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8:50pm

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