

LYONSHALL PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting
Thursday 13th February 2020, 7.15pm in the Memorial Hall

Councillors Present: Cllrs Paul Avery (Chair), Ray Richards, Gill Cowling, Kate Lomax, Steve Fatcher, Rod Bevan, Richard Davies, Sandy Lampitt, Chris Auger, Roger Phillips, and Clerk Rebecca Bissell.

2 members of the public.

No Police officer in attendance.

Cllr Phillips reported:

- Update on the Tollhouse in Kington – Meetings have taken place with conservation officer and the owner. An application to list the property has been turned down by Historic England stating the property lacks historic and architectural merit.
- Phosphates – Awaiting QC advice. Hopeful determinations will be allowed for extensions although the hold will continue for new homes. More questions will be asked regarding reed beds and wetland solutions.
- On the 10th February Herefordshire Council will meet to discuss budget setting. Council Tax is expected to rise by 3.9%. A £5.1m settlement has been received for rural authorities to cover added pressures. Funds of £600K will be spent on a transport report following the bypass delay.
- Outstanding drainage issues at Sourbrook and Fishpools to be taken up with Balfour Beatty.

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Mr Paul Lund from Harpers Ltd provided an update on the development at Holme Marsh, which is delayed due to an objection on the footpath diversion. Due to this objection, the diversion request is currently with the secretary of state which may delay the project by 37 weeks awaiting a decision. Mr Lund stressed the urgency to start works as the development installs much required drainage solutions. Councillors agreed it would be beneficial for work to start as soon as possible and would investigate possibilities to reverse the local objection.

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130/19. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Andrew Turner.

131/19. Declaration of Interest and Written Requests for Dispensation on Agenda Items.

There were no declarations of interest declared on agenda items for this meeting and the Register of Interest book was available to sign.

132/19. Approval of the Minutes.

The minutes of the meetings of 9th January 2020 were **approved** and signed.

133/19. Planning Applications:

Planning Application recently received:

None.

Recent Planning Applications still awaiting determination:

- 194252 – Upper Holme farm. Lyonshall HR5 3JU.- **SUPPORT**
Proposed Construction of 2 holiday chalets.
- 193764 – Mayglothling, Yaidon Farm, Lyonshall. - **SUPPORT**
Proposed vehicle maintenance and MOT building
- 193269 – Land Adjacent to New Chapel house, Lyonshall, Kington.- **SUPPORT**
Erection of a new detached dwelling and garage, (to replace extant scheme)
- 192994 – Land Adjacent to New Chapel house, Lyonshall, Kington. **SUPPORT**
Proposed erection of a new detached dwelling and garage, plus garage for existing dwelling (New Chapel House)
- 182726 – Land forming Green Farm, Lyonshall, Herefordshire - **OBJECT**
Proposed erection of new poultry site with collar panel, biomass boiler, associated outbuildings, poultry managers dwelling and connection to A480.
- 182135 – Land at Burgoynes, Lyonshall, HR5 3JR – **SUPPORT with conditions**
Proposed siting of up to 4 mobile homes to accommodate seasonal workers.
- 181494 – Land Adjacent to Spring Cottage, Headbrook, Kington HR5 3DY. - **SUPPORT**

Proposed land for residential development and associated work together with public open and local green space.

Planning Decisions

None.

134/19. Clerk's Report.

Clerk's Report

- Prepared mowing analysis for mowing contract.
- Met with Cllr Cowling to review ditching issues at Holme Marsh.
- Contacted landowner for ditch works at Holme Marsh.
- First SID installation at White Lion at the beginning February 2020.
- Organised pop up pub event 18th January 2020.
- Preparations are being made for litter pick 1st March 2020.

All other items from previous agendas are being dealt with.

135/19. Meeting Venue during Memorial Hall Closure.

The Memorial Hall is closed for renovation during March and April 2020. Councillors agreed the Parish Council should meet at the Church when it is unavailable. *Clerk to confirm.*

136/19. Update on Finances.

Bank statements reconciled to VT cashbook 31st January 2020.

Balances at 31st January 2020:

Community account	£19562.69
Savings account	£14195.86 (including £4.82 interest)
Playground account	£ 603.70
Business Saver account	£ 404.19 (including £0.20 interest)

Income received since last meeting

None.

Payments for Approval – ALL APPROVED

Clerk's Salary & HMRC for February 2020.

Mayglothing	Playground - Port a loo service	£40.00	+VAT
Lewis Tractors	Mower service	£75.00	
Paul Avery	Food Expenses for Pop up Pub 18.1.20	£90.35	+VAT
Clerks expenses	Expenses Jan 2020 including Antivirus subs	£96.01	

137/19. Parish Mowing Contract 2020.

The clerk had previously forwarded an analysis of costs from four local contractor tenders for the 2020 mowing contract. Councillors discussed these tenders and **AGREED** to appoint Mr S Price as the 2020 mowing Contractor *Clerk to prepare contract and arrange details.*

138/19. Village Planting Spring 2020.

Councillors discussed replanting the flower boxes throughout the village and **AGREED** unanimously for planting of new stock in spring 2020. *Clerk to contact Lyonshall Nurseries and request.*

139/19. VE Day Celebrations.

Councillors **AGREED** unanimously to hold a Pop-up Pub event on Saturday 9th May 2020 in the Memorial Hall as part of the VE weekend celebrations being held in the community. Confirmation of bar availability required with further details to be confirmed nearer the time. *Clerk to confirm bar*

140/19. Operation London Bridge.

Councillors **APPROVED** the operation London Bridge Policy for protocols when the Queen dies. A website landing page is prepared, and Councillors also **AGREED** to prepare a further landing page for when Prince Philip dies. *Clerk to arrange.*

141/19. Meeting Dates 2020-21.

Meeting dates for 2020-21 were **AGREED**. Due to the Memorial Hall closure the Annual Parish Meeting will now be held before the Annual Parish Council meeting on 14th May 2020 at 7.15pm

142/19. Holme Marsh Drainage Update.

Cllr Cowling provided an update on the drainage problems, reiterating the importance of the development works. There has been no feedback from Balfour Beatty. The headwall blockage on the A480 still requires attention, Cllr Avery to request clearance from landowner. Field ditch clearance has been requested from another landowner and will hopefully be cleared when the ground dries for machinery to

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be used. Other areas of concern raised were Spond Lane, the road to Titley Bridge and Bog Lane. *Clerk to follow up*

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143/19. Councillor Responsibilities and Reports.

- Footpaths – Cllr Lomax and Mrs Hutton visited the Archive Centre in Hereford to review old maps with the intention to find and, possibly in some cases, reinstate lost footpaths. Cllr Lomax has located a possible old path from Rhyse Lane to Brook farm and requested to liaise with landowner and pursue reinstating it with permissive rights. All Councillors **AGREED** for contact with landowner.
- LZ5 Steps to be repaired.
- It was suggested that the Parish Council should consider holding guided walks events during the summer. *Cllr Lomax and clerk to investigate.*
- Report of dumping dead foxes off Spond Lane.
- Problems with dog fouling throughout the village and Holme Marsh. *Clerk to Prepare poster and arrange newsletter article.*
- Cllr Lomax suggested producing a list of volunteers to thank at the May meeting. *Clerk to prepare list*
- Concerns over bright external lighting at Littlebrook cottage. *Clerk to follow up.*

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144/19. Items for Future Agenda/ Councillor or Member of Public Items.

None.

145/19. Correspondence Items.

- Cllr Auger shared correspondence from an artist who has agreed for the Parish Council to use his painting of the village centre. Councillor Auger suggested using it on the website and printing a welcome card. He will prepare some ideas for next meeting.
- Hereford transport strategy review – Noted
- Parishioner correspondence regarding government funding to reinstate bus services – A request to Cllr Phillips for services to be reinstated. – *Clerk to request.*
- The Courtyard request for funding to support “Transform the Yard” – Parish Council does not allocate public funds to charitable requests – *Clerk to respond.*
- Herefordshire Council Core Strategy Settlement Hierarchy review 2020 – *clerk to complete.*

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146/19. Date of the Next Meeting.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on 12th March 2020 at 7.15pm in the Memorial Hall.

Meeting Closed 9.40pm.