



## Loxwood Parish Council


The meeting of the Parish Council of Loxwood held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 at 8.00pm in the main hall North Hall.

### ATTENDANCE

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Cllr Rick Kelsey, Cllr Hannah Carey, Cllr Simon Bates, Cllr Janet Duncton, Clerk Jane Bromley

2. **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS:** There were no declarable interests on the agenda by Members.

3. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS** – Both the Minutes of the Parish Council meetings on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023, and the Planning Committee Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 were agreed as accurate accounts of those meetings.

4. **APPENDIX 1 ACTION POINT LIST:** The Parish Council reviewed the list of Actions. 

(a) **Brewhurst Bridge Safety** – this has still not been resolved. Janet Duncton was not in attendance to update. To be rolled over to next month.

(b) **Traffic Calming-** Cllr Colling commented that nothing had been heard from the highways consultant and we are awaiting on WCSS Highways comments on the latest submission. **Clerk** to follow up and check drawings for 278(c). There is no update on Kirdford PC re. the outcome of the complaint to CDC re. water neutrality.

(c) **Thakeham site** – re drainage **Gareth Evans** agreed to follow up with Duncan at CDC to see if the bund had been added.

(d) **Southern Water Sewerage** - Cllr Colling confirmed a complaint letter had been sent to Offwat and CDC. Offwat has acknowledged the issue and asked

for more information which has been provided. They now want written evidence of the problem. Cllr Colling will do this prior to 4<sup>th</sup> May. Cllr Colling reported that Offwat has written to SW to ask their input. CDC have written to say they have followed their procedures but then the Chief Planning Office visited the site and admitted they didn't. Residents are complaining of the smell. Meetings have been held with CDC, Thakeham, the Tankering Company and SW and a solution was discussed. They are going to look at putting telemetering into control the discharge of sewerage.

## **5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The meeting was suspended whilst a resident spoke with an update on Self and Custom Build. He asked LPC to support Self and Custom Build being included in the local plan. He also confirmed 2 members of LPC are interested in going to the seminar run by the Government Task Force to CDC.

## **6. REPORT FROM WSCC JANET DUNCTON**

No report and Janet Duncton not in attendance

## **7. REPORT FROM CDC GARETH EVANS**

Gareth Evans was in attendance and had already sent through his report. He comments that as it was the election period there may not be any updates from his office.

**8. CDC CORONATION GRANT UP TO £500:** It was discussed whether the grant could be used for the Heritage Trail Boards or the Renegade Group. Cllr Roger Newman to check with the school if they need anything. **Clerk** to check criteria and end date.

**9. PAYMENT SCHEDULE** for March was approved.

## **10. UPDATES AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:-**

### **(a) Highway/Roads**

Cllr Janet Duncton to report on if there was any evidence as to whether the road markings have made a difference to speeding.

**(b) Drainage/ Sewerage Infrastructure.**

This was covered in the discussion on Thakeham Homes.

**(c) School-**

**Cllr Roger Newman** will check on the situation with regard to recruitment of new governors and whether there were any events being organised for the Coronation. He also reported on the potholes around the school and the play equipment.

**(d) North Hall:**

Nothing to report. [L  
SEP]

**(e) Thakeham /Stonewater site**

Cllr Colling reported it was very disappointing that there had never been a formal response for traffic calming or solar panel money. The Clerk to send a request for a response even if it is a no so this item can be close. Also to be copied to the CEO.

**(f) Neighbourhood Plan.** [L  
SEP]

A discussion was had with regard to whether to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan or not. Previous discussions had suggested a Neighbourhood Plan forum. This can only occur if there is no Parish Council. Cllr Gardner pointed out that during the meeting in March with regard to the additional houses the majority of attendees requested preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan and that there were villagers who would be interested in being on the committee. However someone from the PC would have to sit on the group and chair it.

**(g) Heritage Trail**

Keith had sent some queries as follows: \_

- are the PC happy to launch the website? – it was agreed yes
- organisation of the installation of boards.

- text for the PC website to be agreed by email.
- it has been 150 years since the Church at the cottage was used. It was suggested to hold an event with the old and new church 19-20 August. This was agreed.

## **APPENDIX 2 Quotes for notice boards**

One quote for a hardwood frame was presented £1,740 plus VAT. It was pointed out that 3 quotes are required so **Clerk** to request this.

### **11. NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

- \* Launch of website and give the link
- \* Reminder for residents to take photo ID to the upcoming Elections
- \* 3 Councillors have stood down and LPC are therefore looking for new council members
- \* Confirmation of the APM May 19<sup>th</sup> with drinks and nibbles.

### **12. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA.**

Grant for litter picking

### **13. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:**

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023 8.00pm

FINANCE MEETING Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023 7.30pm