



Loxwood Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council of Loxwood
held on Monday 7th March 2022 at 8.00pm in the main hall North Hall.

27/2022 ATTENDANCE: Parish Councillors: Parish Councillors: Rick Kelsey (Chair); Tony Colling; Annette Gardner; Simon Bates; Hannah Carey; Roger Newman; Charles Todhunter. CDC Cllr G Evans. WSCC and CDC Janet Duncton (left the meeting after 32/2022).

Four members of the public.

Jane Bromley, Clerk.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Parish Councillors: Chris Agar and Hannah Carey

28/2022 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS: None.

29/2022 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – The Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meetings on 7th February 2022, and the Planning Committee Minutes of the 7th February 2022 as accurate accounts of those meetings.

30/2022 **APPENDIX 1** ACTION POINT LIST: The Parish Council updated the list of Actions.

31/2022 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – No speakers

32/2022 REPORT FROM WSCC JANET DUNCTON- See attached report.

Cllr Kelsey queried the adequacy of repairs to potholes which did not seem to last very long. Cllr Duncton reported there was a new method of repair which was being rolled out across the County.

Cllr Duncton mentioned there was a greater ability to store solar power across the county now with improved batteries and most of the County schools now had solar power.

33/2022 REPORT FROM CDC GARETH EVANS- See attached report.

Cllr Evans reported further that many residents were asking at his surgery when the new shop would be opened which had been held up due to the water neutrality requirement for new development. This issue was not likely to be resolved for some months yet.

34/2022 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT -The Parish Council RESOLVED to approve payments of £2115.51 for the month of March.

35/2022 UPDATES AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:-

(a) Highway/Roads. The Traffic Consultant had sent through drawings with proposals though out the village and comments had been made on these by the Parish Council at a separate meeting. The Consultant was to update the drawings following these comments and then consult with WSCC regarding proposals. In due course any design would be consulted with the public but this would be some time hence. The Clerk was to ask the Consultant to advise of a Parish which had used the block paving for traffic calming in order to obtain their opinion on this in working practice.

ACTION Clerk

(b) Drainage/ Sewerage Infrastructure. Drainage is currently being dug along the B2133 from the Thakeham site.

(c) North Hall- Trustee P Winney had circulated details of projects that the Trustees wanted to accomplish. A new Trustee had been enrolled to lead the grant application process and a grant was to be applied for from the Parish Council next month. **ACTION Clerk**

The Trustees would like the Parish Council to move back into the Mursell Room as the Pilates class was now getting too big for that room. The Parish Council commented that the projection was not good on the wall upstairs but the Trustees would be prepared to improve on this. The Pilates Class would firstly be asked if they would move their meeting days to avoid the clash with the hall use.

(d) School- Cllr Kelsey had met the new Head and would contact her again to ask if she were willing to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting. **ACTION Cllr Kelsey**

(e) Thakeham /Stonewater site. Update re arranging a meeting with residents. Queries meant for a meeting have been addressed in an email by Thakeham and the answers were not addressing the problems properly in the view of Cllr Colling. Their email response is to be circulated to the Pond Copse residents who would then be asked whether they are content with the responses or whether they still would like a meeting. **ACTION Cllr Colling**. The Clerk to ask Kate Howard from Thakeham for a meeting with Stonewater to discuss community contributions due to the lack of CIL from the site. **ACTION Clerk**

(f) Queens Platinum Jubilee: Update.

Heritage Trail: Art work for the leaflet was needed Cllr Kelsey had a contact that he would speak to. **ACTION Cllr Kelsey**. Leaflets would be available from the Onslow Pub or Wey and Arun Canal Centre and from a QR code in due course.

Jubilee Celebrations: Arrangements are ongoing.

CDC Jubilee Grant Scheme £250 application: The Clerk would apply for a grant for the tree and bench plaque. **ACTION Clerk**

Wording for the 14cm wide brass bench plaque: The bench has been assembled. A plaque was to be purchased. "The bench was erected by Loxwood Parish Council to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II on 6th February 2022". ACTION Clerk

- (g) Neighbourhood Plan IPS statement use and informal NE Parishes Meeting: Cllr Todhunter had drafted a letter to the MP re the use of the IPS instead of the Local and Neighbourhood Plans. The MP to be asked to send the letter to the Housing Minister to ask whether this was a legal substitute to using a Made Neighbourhood Plan or Local Plan.

36/2022 NEWSLETTER/ FACEBOOK ARTICLES. Jubilee Bench and Tree. APM. Traffic Consultant work. Parish Councillor Vacancy.

37/2022 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 25th APRIL: Update.

Speakers: New Head for Loxwood School (not yet confirmed); History Society member(not yet confirmed); Gareth Evans CDC; Cllr Colling; and Cllr Kelsey.

Cllr Colling to organise the wine and soft drinks.

Clerk to supply nibbles.

38/2022 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA. North Hall capital expenditure.

39/2022 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING MONDAY 4th April 2022

The meeting closed at 9.40pm

