



Loxwood Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council of Loxwood held on Monday 7th June at 8.15pm in the Mursell Room North Hall

84/2021 ATTENDANCE: Parish Councillors: Rick Kelsey (Chair); Chris Agar; Tony Colling; Roger Newman; Annette Gardner. CDC Gareth Evans. WSCC Janet Duncton (left the meeting after 90/2021). Jane Bromley, Clerk. One member of the public.

Apologies for absence: None.

Cllr Simon Bates absent.

85/2021 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS: None.

86/2021 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – The Parish Council Resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council meetings on 10th May 2021, and the Planning Committee Minutes of the 10th May 2021 are accurate accounts of those meetings.

87/2021 APPENDIX 1 ACTION POINT LIST: The Parish Council updated the list of Action Points from previous meetings.

88/2021 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – A resident spoke regarding making improvements to the village to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee such as improvements to footpaths and bridleways and suggested the Parish Council could canvas the views of the village.

Cllr Colling advised that footpaths and bridleways is a landowner responsibility to keep clear as well as WSCC's responsibility where they own the land but having a plan for the Queen's Jubilee was a good idea something like a heritage trail around the village.

89/2021 REPORT FROM WSCC JANET DUNCTON-

- I. JD spoke regarding new membership of the Council following elections and training was currently ongoing.
- II. JD is now a member of the planning and rights of way committees.
- III. A session had been undergone with the Children's Commissioner and WSCC are now doing well and improving in children's services.
- IV. Libraries will remain open but they will need to make full use of their buildings incorporating activities in their use.
- V. Potholes on highways are an ongoing problem and a new machine is being used for their repair with good results.

- VI. A slight rise in Covid Cases mainly in areas of high population density. Over a million vaccinations in Sussex to date.
- VII. A new fire station is being built at Broadbridge Heath to replace the Horsham station.

90/2021 REPORT FROM CDC GARETH EVANS- See attached report.

91/2021 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – The Parish Council RESOLVED that payments of £3378.19 for the month may be made.

92/2021 UPDATES AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: -

(a) Highway/Roads.

- I. To Insure all village gateways a quote for the current price of these is being obtained.
- II. The gateways are currently being cleaned by Cllrs Agar and Colling and thanks to Janet Duncton for supplying the pressure washer.
- III. The SID is being rotated. A resident has asked for the SID to be sited on Station Road where there is an approved site near the new VE Bench.

(b) Drainage/Flooding/ Sewerage Infrastructure-

- I. Meetings have been held with Thakeham Homes and Reside regarding the drainage of these sites and notes of these meetings have been circulated to Councillors and represent work in progress for these sites by the developers including making repairs and enlargements to the Guildford Rd drain. Thakeham and Reside are being encouraged to work together on drainage and sewerage issues.
- II. A highways footway is being looked at to run from the Thakeham site towards Nursery Green.
- III. A meeting is being arranged to address surface water on the Antler Homes, Blackhall site and the Loxwood House site.

(c) Pallinghurst Wood- Clay Pit Proposal. No Planning application yet submitted.

(d) North Hall- A plan is being considered to use a shipping container for storage at North Hall to be housed at the rear of the hall.

(e) School- Cllr Newman to enquire how they will be celebrating the Queens Platinum Jubilee.

(f) Neighbourhood Plan-

- I. AECOM are preparing an appropriate assessment for the Neighbourhood Plan on the issue of the effects of development on Habitat at Hardham Aquifer and also the bat flight lines.
- II. The recently published First Homes Government Policy will need to be catered for in the emerging revised Neighbourhood Plan.

93/2021 Newsletter articles. Projects for the Queens Platinum Jubilee to be asked for from residents. Public meetings resumed.

94/2021 Parish Matters. None.

95/2021 Date of the Next Meeting Monday 5th July 2021.

The meeting closed at 9.45pm.

Signed Chair of the meeting -----

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