

LATTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

15 December 2020

held remotely (via Zoom) at 7:30pm

Councillors present:

Cllr P Rawsthorne (Chairman)

Cllr D Lloyd (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr R De'witt

Cllr K Johnson

Cllr M Pritchard

Cllr J Towner

Others in Attendance: Wiltshire Councillor Bob Jones

Public and Councillor Question Time: No questions were raised

MINUTES

20.70 Apologies for Absence

All Members were present

20.71 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations made.

20.72 Dispensations

No requests for dispensation were received.

20.73 Minutes of the previous meeting

Members considered the minutes of the meeting held on 27 October 2020. The minutes of the meeting were ADOPTED as a true record of the meeting and will be retrospectively signed by the Chairman.

20.74 Wiltshire Councillor Jones Update – Main Points:

- The Oram Trust is about to send in the planning application to Wiltshire Council.
- He is meeting with the WC Highways Engineer on 17 December at Water Eaton regarding possible road safety improvements.
- 50% increase in Covid cases in the area but 50% equates to 9 cases, an increase of 3. Wiltshire remains low it is believed that this is because there are no universities in Wiltshire, reducing transmission.

20.75 Clerks Report – Members NOTED:

Gosditch Wall and Jubilee Garden Gate - Savills apologised for the delay in responding. They advised that Farmcare is now responsible. Farmcare contacted, to investigate. Ongoing

20.31- Village Hall Development - The revised planning application has now been prepared, reduced from nine dwellings to six, with only one access point. The Oram Trust has prepared a briefing note for residents to be distributed with Council Newsletter. Meeting discussion: Councillor Pritchard reported that the charity was not completed due to planning issues. The briefing note needs to be distributed as more community involvement, is required - more comments and reactions. Members AGREED to close pending the planning application being submitted to Wiltshire Council.

20.35 - Gosditch Speeding - A request for a traffic survey was been submitted to the Wiltshire Council Road Safety Team. The survey equipment is currently in place. ongoing

20.39 - Community Infrastructure Project Funding

Speed Indicator Device: purchase of Solar Powered Battery discussed at Min. Ref. 20.86
Playing Field Fence: discussed at Min. Ref 20.84. Members AGREED to close

20.53 - Play Area and Village Maintenance

Members resolved to release up to £500 for the outstanding maintenance work to be completed. Members delegated the arrangements to the Clerk and the Chairman.
Works outstanding: Wet pour treatment to see-saw area. Treatment to Barton seat and other benches. Address issue of venting holes on frame of football goal (on grass) to prevent snagging. Placement of Defibrillator signage. Relocation of the Flagpole – discussed at Min. Ref. 20.83. Members AGREED to close.

Coat of Arms: Still looking into this request

20.54 - South Cerney Neighbourhood Plan (draft) Consultation
Response to consultation made – a thank you from the Parish Council was received- Members AGREED to close.
20.55 - A419 Missing Link – Have Your Say Campaign
Response to consultation made – acknowledgement received. Members AGREED to close
20.56 - Reform of the Planning System Consultation
Response to consultation made – acknowledgement received. Members AGREED to close.
20.58 – Cycling Events
Contact made with Organiser of 113 events. We are to meet up in the Spring before the events start up again. No response received from other event organisers, to chase - ongoing
20.59 Community Area Transport Group (CATG)
The Cotswold Vet 's sign has been approved and an officer has been appointed to assess. Wiltshire Council raised concerns regarding the placement of the Mole sign on the roundabout. As neither Wiltshire Council nor the Parish Council were approached regarding the sign, it may have to be removed. The request for road improvements at Water Eaton (using the donated funds) has be upgraded to Category 1. WC Cllr Jones to meet with Engineer on 17 th December.
20.62 - Wiltshire Neighbourhood Watch Scheme (WNWS)
Members AGREED that they would like to establish a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, ideally with a resident taking on the role of co-ordinator. The Clerk was requested to obtain more information for the next meeting. - Ongoing
20.63 - Jubilee Community Garden
Cllr Rawsthorne, Cllr Towner and Cllr Johnson have met with representatives to discuss the forming of a committee. Current users are not willing to form a formal committee. Councillor Rawsthorne has asked for volunteers via the Facebook page. Background information gathering is taking place, but unable to locate the signed lease, this is required to understand what the agreement is in regard to the occupation and running of the Jubilee Garden is.
20.67 - Scottish and Southern Priority Service (S&S)
Following discussions, Members AGREED to add to the next newsletter, promote via Facebook and the website. Members requested the Clerk obtain sample leaflet, wording for newsletter etc. Information received, ready for next newsletter, to be put on Website and Facebook.
20.68 - Grass Cutting Contract
Members NOTED a letter of thanks from the PCC. Members AGREED to close
Councillors Update
Members have been sent the new 2020 edition of The Good Councillor Guide to Community Business. The 30mph roundels are on order and should be replaced in next 6 weeks.
Parish Steward
Members were thanked for their recent input regarding Parish Steward tasks. The Clerk asked Councillors to let her know as soon as they were aware of any issues, to add to the Parish Steward's worklist.

- 20.76 **Parish Newsletter**
Councillor Pritchard reported that the newsletter was ready for distribution. Councillor Rawsthorne agreed to co-ordinate the distribution, starting on 18 December.
- 20.77 **Financial Accounts & Bank Reconciliation**
Members NOTED and APPROVED the list of payments to 30 November 2020. Members AGREED to pay £27.00 for new Christmas lights as the current set has stopped working.
- 20.78 **Precept Planning**
Members NOTED the precept report. Members RESOLVED to set a precept for 2021-2022 of £12,717 equating to a Band D of £50.51 an increase of £3.20 = 6.76%.
- 20.79 **Parish Council Meetings**
Members considered the suggested dates for 2021 Parish meetings. Members AGREED to provisionally set as: 9 February, 30 March, 18 May (Annual Parish Meeting and Parish meeting), 13 July, 7 September, 26 October and 14 December. All dates are provisional due to the forthcoming elections and Covid restrictions.

20.80 **Census 2021**

Members NOTED the correspondence received from the Wiltshire Council Census Engagement Officer and the handbook received. Further updates to be disseminated as and when they arrive.

20.81 **Grant Application Guidelines**

Members NOTED the report and draft guidelines. Following discussions, Members RESOLVED to adopt the guidelines.

20.82 **Planning Application**

Members RESOLVED to make no objections to:

Application	Details
20/09377/FUL & 20/09377/LBC	Site: Court Farmhouse, Ermin Way, Latton, SN6 6DH Closing Date: 17 December 2020. Applicant: Mr K Evans
Application for: Renovation and internal alterations, add 4 new external window openings and demolition of back porch.	

20.83 **Flagpole**

Members NOTED the report and considered the relocation of the flagpole. Currently the flagpole is not in a very visual position, following discussions Members AGREED to look into the re-siting of the flagpole. The Clerk was asked to look at the costs involved to move it to the corner of the Playing Field near to the beacon.

20.84 **Playing Field Fencing**

Members NOTED the report and considered the quotes received for the placement of a fence along the Croft Lane boundary. After discussions, Members RESOLVED to accept Quote A for the sum of £1618.00 (one thousand, six hundred and Eighteen Pounds), funds to be met from the Community Infrastructure Levy funds.

20.85 **New Street Sign for Upcott**

Members NOTED the report and considered the replacement of the Upcott sign which is in a poor state. Following discussions, Members RESOLVED to replace the sign, at a cost of up to £100.00. (one hundred pounds) costs to be met from General Reserves. The sign is to be of pressed aluminium, mounted on 2 bars - to pot rivet onto. Councillors Rawsthorne agreed to provide the sign measurements to the Clerk.

20.86 **Speed Indicator Device – Solar Panel**

Members NOTED the report regarding the additional carriage fees required to purchase the solar panel from Germany. Following discussions, Members RESOLVED to accept the new total cost of 822.44 euros, funds to be met from the Community Infrastructure Levy funds. Councillor Rawsthorne to provide the Clerk with the bracket size required for the panel.

20.87 **A417 Road Noise**

Members NOTED the correspondence received. Following discussions, Members AGREED to ask permission to pass the information to the A 419 Noise Action Group for advice. Main points were that a noise barrier had been considered, but only one property qualified at the time and that the lifespan of the road has now been increased from 25 years to 40 years.

20.88 **Councillor Updates**

Speed Indication Device: Councillor Rawsthorne reported that the device battery needed recharging and the data downloading.

Speedwatch and Lorry Watch: Councillor Johnson reported that 6 volunteers have now started monitoring, having borrowed the camera from the Cricklade Group. From 16 cars recorded as speeding, 45 of them were travelling at higher than 45 mph. Still waiting on login details, once received letters can be sent out to offenders.

Community Facebook: Currently 141 members, it is being well used by the community.

Meeting Closed at 8.24pm