

LATTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

29 March 2022

Latton Parish Hall

at 7:30pm

Councillors present:

Cllr P Rawsthorne (Chairman)
Cllr K Johnson

Cllr D Lloyd (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr J Towner

Cllr De'Witt

Clerk: Tina Jones PSLCC

Others in Attendance: Wiltshire Councillor Bob Jones and two members of the public

Public and Councillor Question Time: There were no questions asked

MINUTES

21.130 Apologies for Absence

All Members were present

21.131 Co-option to Vacancies

Members considered the applications from two residents. The matter was put to the vote and Members unanimously RESOLVED that Percy Clarke and Alan Slater be co-opted onto the Parish Council with immediate effect. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was signed, witnessed by all present, and Councillors Clarke and Slater joined the meeting.

21.132 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations made.

21.133 Dispensations

No requests for dispensation were received.

21.134 Minutes of the previous meetings

Members considered the minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 8 February 2022 and the extraordinary meeting held on 18 March 2022, Members ADOPTED the minutes as a true record, they were signed by the Chairman.

21.135 Clerks Report

21.105 - Water Eaton Donation

Traffic survey instigated by CATG via Atkins - it is not known when this will take place – results will assist WC Traffic Engineers are looking at issues such as a change in speed limit (reduction or increase) or any other traffic schemes. Members agreed that the request for a 25% contribution towards the traffic survey was acceptable. Payment made of £625.00 AGREED to close

21.116 Water Eaton Traffic Survey

Members NOTED the results of the Water Eaton Traffic Survey, waiting on the result of the second survey are received. Wiltshire Council has stated that the results of the first survey demonstrate that no further action is required at present. Members agreed that all households in Water Eaton would be sent a letter (posted) with the results of both surveys once the second one has taken place.

20.126 Cerney Wick/Latton Road Parking Issues

Members noted the request from South Cerney PC, requesting a submission to Community Area Traffic Group requesting No Parking signs on the passing places on the road over the A419 between Latton and Cerney Wick. Following discussions, Members agreed to wait until the outcome of the WC Enforcement investigations. WCE advised that the operator has been advised to make a change of application, if they wish to continue using the lake as a commercial operation Meeting Update received from WC on 1 March confirmed that an application has now been submitted and is awaiting validation

20.144 - Village Maintenance Report

Councillors Rawsthorne and Johnson agreed to remove and dispose of the barbed wire, running along the middle of the fence between the Jubilee Garden and the Play Area. Graffiti noted on the Play Area equipment, graffiti removed by Cllr Towner. AGREED to close

21.24 Relocation of Waste Bin

Members AGREED to ask Wiltshire Council if the waste bin by the Play Area could be relocated to the start of the public footpath to Down Ampney. This move is requested due to the volume of dog waste being left at the entrance. Meeting Update: Councillor Rawsthorne suggested an alternative position, to send photographs to the Clerk Councillor Rawsthorne to speak with residents. Meeting update, Land does not belong to the residents, Clerk to contact Wiltshire Council.

21.50 College of Arms – Parish Crest Councillor Lloyd agreed to take forward the concept of a Parish Logo, with designs available later this year for consideration. Ongoing
21.64 Cycling Events Councillors Rawsthorne and Johnson to meet with the cycling event organiser. Meeting update from Councillor Johnson: additional Stewards will be in the village. A mobile number will be given for immediate action if problems occur at Gosditch. Information will be given pre-event for posting on Facebook and additional signs erected. As a goodwill gesture the organisers will be making a £270 donation to the Trustees of the Recreation Hall.
21.99 Play Area Gate Gates fitted, costs were higher than hoped, due to: hinges could not be reused, a drop bolt and swinging arm were required, along with the expected rise in timber costs. The Chairman and Clerk under Financial Regulations (4.1, 4.5) approved the additional expenditure, all costs to be met from Cil funds. AGREED to close
21.103 Flooding in Gosditch Members NOTED the concerns for a resident regarding flooding. Councillor Lloyd observed a resident rodding a drain in this area to clear the flood water, the drain maybe blocked further down causing a build-up. Councillor Lloyd agreed to take photographs, Councillor Jones will then look at the drainage maps, to move issue forward – ongoing
Last Meeting Councillor Towner reported that a builder's bag had been left on site, the Clerk was asked to contact the land agent. Contact made Bidwells confirmed that the wall contractors they have confirmed that the bag contains materials for further repairs to the wall which they will be carrying out shortly. AGREED to close
21.116 Health and Wellbeing/Older and Vulnerable People and their Carer's Group Members NOTED that the RWB and Cricklade Area Board is looking for a volunteer from the Community to represent the Parish. The request for a volunteer to be posted on the Community Facebook, and the Clerk was asked to contact a resident. Posted to Facebook and no response from Clerks contact. AGREED to close
21.123 Traffic Calming Through Village Members NOTED the report, after discussions it was agreed that a full report covering all the traffic calming issues affecting the village, was to be prepared for consideration at the next meeting, prior to submission to the Community Area Transport Group (CATG). Main issue traffic calming but to include: speed limits, road markings, road studs, white lining (these are needed for when A419 is closed for road works, or accidents and all traffic is diverted through the village), speeding traffic, unclear weight limit signs, coaches pickup/drop off for schoolchildren from various villages, as the village is used as a pickup/drop off point for local villages attending various schools in the area. Clerk to prepare and circulate to Members for input prior to the next meeting. Councillor Rawsthorne reported a set of road weight limit signs, just before the junction, opposite start of Manor Farm Cottages, have been demolished. WC Councillor Jones agreed to investigate. CLOSED see minute reference 21.139
21.121 Latton in Bloom and Best Kept Village Competition Members AGREED to ask on social media for a Co-ordinator for the Best Kept Village competition, to see if anyone wants to take part this year. Action Councillor Rawsthorne CLOSED Members AGREED that more publicity should be made to generate Latton in Bloom entries and a judging criterion should be agreed (next meeting). Members hoped the sunflower fairy would be present again this year too. CLOSED see minute reference 21.140
21.124 Platinum Jubilee Celebrations Councillor Rawsthorne to post to Community Facebook page for ideas for the weekend. Members AGREED an outline plan: light the beacon on Thursday 2 June at approximately 21.15hrs, the PCC hopefully organise a BBQ and, over the weekend the Council would like to hold the Latton in Bloom competition and perhaps at the same time a Jubilee scarecrow trail. Clerk to check if an official timetable has been released CLOSED see minute reference 21.137 Members RESOLVED to replace the benches in the Play Area and Garden to mark the Jubilee. Clerk to source no/low maintenance replacements once status of lease is known.
21.125 Speedwatch The Police Crime Commissioner is getting more speed guns, Clerk to make contact re allocation of cameras with Police Crime Commissioner Office. CLOSED see minute reference 21.145

21.136

Financial Accounts & Bank Reconciliation

Members NOTED the funds held and APPROVED the list of payments to 18 March 2022.

- 21.137 **Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**
 Members NOTED the event report: Over 1,500 will be lit Beacons at 9.45pm on T
Thursday 2 June 2022: 1,500 will be lit Beacons at 9.45pm
Friday 3 June: A Service of Thanksgiving for The Queen's reign will be held at St Paul's Cathedral. Further events will be announced in due course.
Saturday 4th June: The Derby at Epsom Downs: Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by Members of the Royal Family, will attend the Derby at Epsom Downs.
 Platinum Party at the Palace: The BBC will stage and broadcast a special live concert from Buckingham Palace
Sunday 5th June: The Big Jubilee Lunch. People are invited to share friendship, food and fun with neighbours as part of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations.
 The Platinum Jubilee Pageant: Artistic performers, dancers, musicians, military personnel, key workers and volunteers will unite to tell the story of The Queen's 70-year reign.
 The Clerk was asked to source information on lighting of the beacon.
 A scarecrow competition may take place over the Jubilee weekend with a Royal theme, to be confirmed.

21.138 **Planning Applications**

House Planning Application PL/2022/1533	Address: 5 Seven Bridges Cottages, Water Eaton SN6 6JS Applicant: Mr J Dinis Proposal: Two proposed dormers windows to front
	Members had no concerns - RESOLVED to SUPPORT with No Comment
House Planning Application PL/2022/01552	Address: 2 Courtfields, Upcott, Latton SN6 6EG Applicant: Mr Hamilton and Miss Greenwood Proposal: Removal of roof and erection of half storey over Ground Floor
	Members RESOLVED to SUPPORT with No Comment
Minerals and Waste application PL/2022/00193	Address: Black Burr Farm, Marston Meysey, land to the South of the C124 Eastern Spine Road and surrounding Blackburr Farm, between Marston Meysey and Castle Eaton. Applicant: Earthline Limited Proposal: Extraction and processing of mineral and restoration using indigenous imported inert materials to agriculture with biodiversity enhancement
	Members RESOLVED to OBJECT – reasons being the increase in traffic on Water Eaton Road and A419 junction.

Members NOTED the following Wiltshire Council decision

PL/2021/010106 – Approved with Conditions	
Address: The Stable, the Street Latton, SN6 6DN	Applicant: Mr & Mrs May
Proposal: Retrospective application for the erection of an inner courtyard extension	

- 21.139 **Traffic Calming Through Village**
 Members NOTED and APPROVED the draft Highways Improvement Request form and requested the Clerk to submit to the Community Area Transport Group.
- 21.140 **Latton in Bloom**
 Members APPROVED the Latton in Bloom judging criteria and entry form. Judging to take place over the Jubilee weekend. Councillor Towner to design a poster. Judges: Councillors Rawsthorne, Towner and Clarke. Poster on website with link to entry form. Sunflowers will be provided again for later in the year.
- 21.141 **Road Closure Notice – Cricklade High Street**
 Members NOTED the temporary closure of the High Street from the Pauls Croft junction to its junction with Bath Road, 19.00 – 06.00 hours from 3 May until 13 May 2022.
- 21.142 **Air Tattoo Local Representatives Briefing**
 Councillor Rawsthorne and Councillor Lloyd were unable to attend the 4th May briefing. The Clerk to attend on behalf of the Council.
- 21.143 **Wiltshire Council – Adoption of Climate Change Strategy**
 Members NOTED the Wiltshire Council Climate Strategy was adopted by Wiltshire Council on the 15 February.

21.144 **Council Mobile Telephone**

Members NOTED the report and following discussions, refused to purchase a newer model mobile telephone, and instructed the Clerk to purchase an android mobile within the budget allocated.

21.145 **Councillor Updates**

Community Area Transport Group (CATG) – Councillor Lloyd - No Update
Community Facebook – Councillor Rawsthorne Four new applications
Speed Indication Device – Councillor Rawsthorne No figures have been downloaded
Speedwatch and Lorry Watch – Councillor Johnson Clerk made contact with PCC re allocation of cameras. The Clerk was advised that from Wiltshire Police records Latton has not undertaken any sessions during the last two years. Councillor Johnson to contact the Community Speed Watch County Coordinator, to clear up the misunderstanding.
Recreation Hall Development – Councillor Rawsthorne Meeting took place this evening with around 80 residents, 20 – 30 residents gave contact details, data to be collated and passed to Group.
RWB&C Community Safety Forum (RSF) – Councillor Johnson Recent meeting all parishes main topic is speeding, all asking for assistance.
Cotswold Lake Challenge Fund Appeal – Councillor Johnson attended the event on 10 March. Cotswold Lakes Trust launched a £1.5 million appeal to help protect the Cotswold Water Park - the four main projects are: • transform a disused section of the old railway line at South Cerney which forms a vital wildlife habitat and a key route for walkers and cyclists • develop a new 15km off-road cycle route and new on-road cycle routes • create a major regional training and competition venue for rowing and non-motorised water sports at Cleveland Lakes, and new facilities for schools and for people who are disadvantaged or disabled • deliver educational programmes with the help of a new ‘Beaver Bus’ mobile roadshow

Meeting Closed at 20.44