

LURGASHALL PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT LURGASHALL VILLAGE HALL
ON THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7.30PM

Councillors Present: Mr R Cooper, Mrs A Martin-Jenkins (Chairman), Mr Neil Jowett, Dr A Tate and Mr P Wilding (also in attendance as District Councillor)

In Attendance: Mrs H E Cruikshank (Clerk)

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7.30pm and welcomed all to the meeting. There was one member of the public in attendance.

PARISH COUNCIL BUSINESS

78/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Parish Councillors Mrs Brett Burkhart, Mrs Jane Landstrom and from County Councillor Janet Duncton due to a timings clash with the All-Parishes Meeting.

79/21 CODE OF CONDUCT

The Chairman reminded members of their responsibilities under the Code of Conduct.

80/21 CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR/(S)

Mrs Vanessa Semmens was co-opted as a Councillor. The Clerk to send through all the necessary forms and documentation for her to read and sign. There is now one vacancy remaining.

81/21 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 8th July 2021 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

82/21 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising which were not on the agenda this evening.

83/21 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

District Councillor Wilding reported that August had been a very quiet month. CDC is spending a lot of effort into getting the Local Plan finalised. In particular, the Council is trying to assemble evidence that there is insufficient road capacity and waste water capacity in the south of the District to support the number of houses that we are currently expected to build.

Any queries of a District nature, please do not hesitate to contact Peter Wilding on pwilding@chichester.gov.uk

In her absence, County Councillor Janet Duncton sent through the following report:

- One of our brilliant Foster Parent couples who have been taking in children for 56 years have just exceeded 600 Foster children. My goodness there are some fantastic people about. Yes, we did celebrate with them for this fine achievement.
- Jon Lacey our assistant Chief Fire Officer has landed himself the job of Chief Fire Officer in Suffolk. I have worked with John since I became a County Councillor and know what a fine and dedicated Officer he is and we all wish him the best of luck.
- For those concerned about local Bus transport you may like to go on line and fill in the questionnaire. www.yourvoice.westsussex/busbackbetter. You should find it on the website.
- Another item that may be of interest to some is Solar Together Sussex. This may be useful to those considering using solar panels and the

information is available on www.solartogether.co.uk Although I haven't checked it out myself, I believe that those interested and who are accepted get good discounts on quality solar panels so it's worth taking a look.

• As with Syrian refugees West Sussex is fully involved in helping the Afghan refugees and is working closely with the Districts and Boroughs as they always do to help in any way they can. At this time, they don't need direct donation and offers of assistance need to go to the resettlement teams when prompted, by them to do so.

Contact Mrs Dunton if you need some help with issues on janet.dunton@westsussex.gov.uk or mobile 07979 152898

84/21 FINANCE

The Clerk had previously distributed Appendix 2a and b which included:

- a) A statement of the position of the Council's bank accounts as at 1st September 2021 incorporating details of cheques which needed to be issued, and for which approval was sought.
- b) Budget Monitoring sheet as at 1st September 2021

The Council's current financial position at £20,933, bank account and budget monitoring sheet were noted.

The members duly approved the payments for Mrs H E Cruikshank (Clerk's July & August 2021 Salary & Expenses) @ £760, The Leconfield Estates (Allotment water) @ £96 plus the budgeted annual donations as follows:

Lurgashall PCC £500
Lurgashall Village Hall £1,000
Lurgashall Cricket Club £560
Northchapel Primary School £1,000
Lurgashall Village Shop £6,500

Mrs Martin-Jenkins asked members to consider increasing the annual donation (£500) to the L.R.A as a one off for 2021/22 to help with the maintenance costs of the Jubilee field due to its lack of income over the past 18 months. Not only had the L.R.A lost out on two Fetes but it had received no support from the Government Covid grants unlike other village organisations. The Parish Council agreed to increase its donation to £1,000 for 2021/22.

There was an additional payment approved for E C Simpson (New allotment gate and posts) @ £638.

85/21 PLANNING

The Clerk had previously distributed Appendix 3. Mr Wilding commented upon the following applications;

PLANNING APPLICATIONS DISCUSSED SINCE THE LAST PC MEETING

SDNP/21/02695/HOUS

Leverton, Fernden Lane, Lurgashall GU27 3BS
Outdoor uncovered heated swimming pool to south of existing dwelling

SDNP/21/026871/LIS

Aldworth Farm, Jobsons Lane, Lurgashall GU27 3BY
Amendments to extant listed building consent SDNP/16/03557/LIS to retain the existing roof structure of the 1972 extension and incorporate two dormer windows in the proposed catslide roof; variations to the internal alterations and replacement fenestration to south west extended section and north east extended section

SDNP/21/03961/APNB

Orchard Park, Lurgashall GU28 9EU
Range of modern steel framed agricultural buildings

SDNP/21/03163/HOUS and SDNP/21/03164/LIS

Meadowside Dial Green Lane Lurgashall GU28 9ET
Insertion of 1 no. conservation style rooflights into east plane of outbuilding roof.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DISCUSSED AFTER THE MEETING TONIGHT

SDNP/21/04057/TCA

Brook Hill, The Chimes, Blind Lane, Lurgashall GU28 9HB
Notification of intention to reduce height by 3m on 14 no, Lawson Cypress trees, 1 no Poplar tree and 1 no Oak tree

SDNP/21/04109/FUL

Land to the West of Beckett's Cottage, Lickfold GU28 9EX
Erection of new hard standing area to allow vehicular access to site

DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM CDC/SDNPA SINCE THE LAST PC MEETING

SDNP/20/05256/PRE

*Rose Cottage Hillgrove Lane Lurgashall Petworth West Sussex GU28 9EW
Proposed side extension.
Advice provided*

SDNP/21/02550/FUL

*Blackdown Distillery Tappers Barn Jobsons Lane Windfall Wood Common Lurgashall West Sussex GU28 9HA
Redevelopment of commercial site and the erection of replacement buildings to be used ancillary to Windfall House and 1 no. unit of holiday accommodation with associated parking and landscaping following removal of all commercial building and storage outbuildings
Decision: Refused*

SDNP/21/01429/FUL

*Windfall Wood House Jobsons Lane Windfall Wood Common Lurgashall GU28 9HA
Erection of a replacement residential dwelling.
Application Withdrawn*

SDNP/21/01389/HOUS

*Sybs Farm Jobsons Lane Windfall Wood Common Lurgashall GU27 3BX
Garden shed.
Decision: Approved*

SDNP/21/01066/HOUS and SDNP/21/01067/LIS

*Barfold Farm Tennysons Lane Lurgashall GU27 3BN
Extension to existing basement to create a swimming pool and wellbeing area.
Decision: Approved*

SDNP/21/00868/LIS

*Barfold Farm Tennysons Lane Lurgashall GU27 3BN
Replacement extension and associated landscaping.
Decision: Approved*

SDNP/21/03522/APNB

Orchard Park Dial Green Lane Lurgashall GU28 9EU

Relocate 3 no. steel framed agricultural barns from Dickhurst Farm to Orchard Park Farm.

Decision: Objection

SDNP/21/03961/APNB

Orchard Park Dial Green Lane Lurgashall GU28 9EU

Range of modern steel framed agricultural buildings

Decision: Prior approval granted

SDNP/21/03513/DCOND

The Malt House High Hamstead Lane Lurgashall GU28 9ET

Discharge of conditions 3 (Schedule of materials), 4 (Hedge protection details), 5 (Planting scheme), 6 (External lighting) & 8 (Bat box) from Planning Permission SDNP/21/01694/HOUS

Decision: Approved

SDNP/21/03646/NMA

Upper Barn House Dial Green Lane Lurgashall GU28 9EU

Non material amendment to planning permission SDNP/19/03908/HOUS - Increase the width by approx. 300mm. (approx. 150mm each side).

Decision: Refused

SDNP/21/03163/HOUS and SDNP/21/03164/LIS

Meadowside Dial Green Lane Lurgashall GU28 9ET

Insertion of 1 no. conservation style rooflights into east plane of outbuilding roof.

Decision: Approved

SDNP/21/01497/FUL

Castle Copse Fernden Lane Lurgashall GU27 3BS

Construction of outdoor arena.

Decision: Approved

SDNP/21/00867/HOUS

Barfold Farm Tennysons Lane Lurgashall GU27 3BN

Replacement extension and associated landscaping.

Decision: Approved

SDNP/20/02792/FUL

Land Adjoining Sods Farm High Hamstead Lane Lurgashall Petworth West Sussex GU28 9EX

Retention of hardstanding area and access and erection of new storage building.

Application withdrawn

Concern was raised with regard to the possible increase of the curtilage at Beards Cottage/Aldworth Farm which has potentially been extended onto agricultural land. Councillor Tate to compare an historic map with a recent one. If deemed necessary, the Parish Council will contact CDC Enforcement to investigate.

86/21 HIGHWAYS INCLUDING VILLAGE GREEN (PARKING ISSUE UPDATE) AND WINTER MANAGEMENT

Mr Cooper had completed the salt/grit audit and Clerk has submitted to WSCC Active Communities. He added that the new mower was doing a good job on the Village Green; the grass is longer but looks more natural. It is hoped to get the old mower working again and sell it on.

Members noted a few potholes had been repaired in the parish but Jobsons Lane was still in an awful state and the drainage and the horrendous potholes need immediate attention. Although some potholes have the white paint around them so repairs are due, it is over a year since this was reported and nothing substantial has been done. The Clerk to write to head of WSCC Highways asking for urgent action to be taken and copy in County Councillor Duncton.

Mr Jowett suggested the village should look into getting electric car charging points. There are grants available. The Clerk to investigate and add as an agenda item at the next meeting in November.

87/21 PLAYGROUND

Mr Cooper reported that Warren Green had finished the painting and the small repairs at the playground. He had done a good job. The gate spring had broken again so it was agreed to look into replacing the gate.

88/21 ALLOTMENTS

Mrs Landstrom had previously distributed the allotment update. There is one vacant plot if anyone in the parish is interested. John Simpson has installed a new metal gate and posts and replaced 12 fence posts (£532 plus VAT). Mrs Landstrom is still awaiting a quote for the hedge cutting.

89/21 RIGHTS OF WAYS

The Clerk to investigate whether the summer surface vegetation cut has taken place yet in the parish.

90/21 L.R.A

Dr Tate said there was nothing much to report. The L.R.A's AGM is due to be held at the end of the month at the Village Hall. All paperwork is available to view on the website.

91/21 CRICKET PAVILION

Mrs Martin-Jenkins reported that a resident had raised concerns about the state of the roof at the back of the pavilion. Mr Cooper said that once the season had finished, the Cricket Club would carry out any repairs which needed doing to both sides of the roof. The last match is at the end of September so repairs will be carried out in October.

92/21 MOBILE SKIP

The mobile skip is booked for Saturday 25th September, 10am – midday at the Village Hall car park.

93/21 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had forwarded August's Police report from PCSO Neil Billingham to all members as follows:

Introduction

Despite the few days' warm weather, we have had this week, summer is over! With that in mind, I would like to mention children going Back to School and getting to and from school. We have had a number of complaints regarding parents parking on the yellow zig-zags lines outside school. This is an offence that could receive a Fixed Penalty Notice as well as the obvious issue of the danger it could cause to the children. I will be looking to attend each Primary School over the next few weeks to act as a gentle reminder of parent's responsibilities when parking. We are still receiving reports of items being stolen from cars parked at beauty spots across the area. Please can I remind everyone, if you don't need something on your walk, leave it at home. We have Operation Mini running in conjunction with officers from neighbouring forces to target this, but if the opportunity is removed by leaving valuables at home, the theft will not take place!

Incidents of Note

WE have had a report of a motorbike stolen from a garage this month. My advice would be, where possible, to sink large eye hooks into garage floors and secure bikes to this with substantial chains and locks. This will make it more difficult to steal thus increasing the risk of getting caught, hopefully deterring any attempted theft.

PCSO Activity over the next month

I am planning to attend the Petworth Farmers Markets on the last Saturday of each month for my Street Briefings (25/09/2021, 23/10/2021 and 27/11/2021 at the moment). Please do come along to discuss local Policing issues or just to say hello!

DON'T LET THEM MAKE YOU A VICTIM OF CRIME. IF YOU SEE IT, REPORT IT - 101!

94/21 TO CONSIDER URGENT MATTERS AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

There were no urgent matters.

95/21 ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT AGENDA

Co-option

Electric Car Charging point

Please let the Clerk know of any additional items by Thursday 4th November 2021

96/21 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is on Thursday 11th November 2021 at 7.30pm

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm