

WEST LAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON**

**06 JANUARY 2022 at 1900**

**HELD IN THE WEST LAVINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

**MINUTES**

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| **Present**: | Councillors: Mrs J Ford (Chairman), Mr D Muns (joining online), Mr P Blundell, Ms L Gough, Mr R Scott and Mr R Oglesby (arrived at 2000). |  |
| **Also present** | Mrs K Elston (clerk) and 14 members of the community/public |  |
| **21/22/110** | **Apologies for absence**   * Mr R Gamble – these were accepted. |  |
| **21/22/111** | **Declaration of interests**   * There were none. |  |
| **21/22/112** | **Minutes of the last meetings held 09.12.2021 and Matters arising**   * Minutes of the meeting – these were agreed to be a true and   accurate record. Chairman signed them.  ***Proposed: Mr R Oglesby***  ***Seconded: Mr P Blundell***  ***All councillors present in agreement***   * Matters Arising:   Minute 21/22/099 Public Participation – tennis court potential  change of use to a carpark has been raised with Wiltshire Council.  Litter Pick – documents have been sent to Charlotte Howard and  will continue to communicate with the clerk.  Minute 21/22/101 Bus shelter replacement at the Chocolate  Poodle – clerk has contacted Wiltshire Council and now needs to  also contact highways. Providing Highways are in agreement  then the parish council can consider if they want to proceed.  Minute 21/22/104 tree at Dauntsey Care Home – clerk has  approached the manager and an application has been made to  fell the beech tree. | **KE** |
| **21/22/113** | **Public Participation**   * **Dauntsey Planning application PL/2021/09496** –the parish   have reviewed the plans and listened to all the comments raised  by the public at the last parish council meeting on 9 December  and emails received by the clerk. Chair read through the  concerns collated and the major concerns are related to the  traffic access and exit at the front of the school onto the A360.  This is already challenging due to the crossroads and pedestrian  crossing just outside the school. Has full consideration been  given to access out onto the B3098 currently subject to an old  planning condition K/58271 in 2008 as there is room on that road  for two large vehicles to pass. Dauntsey’s have advised that the  current plan is to allow the coaches into the school and then  place them in a holding place (tennis courts) with the intention  for them all to then leave at the same time. The parish council  want to know how thorough the traffic assessment was as exiting  onto the A360 has an impact on aspects of the local area and is  wider than just the coaches departing onto the A360. Will the  coaches keep their engines running and lights on whilst they are  waiting to leave. Will visiting sports team coaches coming onto site  at least three days per week also be using this system. Cars  currently using this area will be parked at the back of the school.  Dauntsey’s School who were represented at the meeting  confirmed that there will be room for 17 coaches at the school but  currently there are only 14 that come in at the beginning and end  of the day. Mini buses and taxes will also be using the front  carpark. Councillor asked what control Dauntsey will have over  buses that come on the school premises in terms of waiting to  depart. Dauntsey confirmed that they will make these agreements  with the bus contractors. Dauntsey’s were asked if they had  considered the Neighbourhood Plan when drafting the plans and  they confirmed it is referenced in the application.  The community raised concerns over the permeable surface being  replaced with a semi-permeable surface.  Question raised in relation to the planned hedgerow to be put in  place alongside the footpath. The school advised this will not now  go ahead at the southern end of the footpath and new  planting around the coach park.  Councillors advised that they would be objecting to the  application and submitting their comments which have been  shared with the members of the public attending this evening.  **Member of public 1**  PL/2021/10174 FULL 4 Conops, Stibb Hill, West Lavington,  Devizes SN10 4LH – this application was discussed at the last  meeting and the potential to make some revisions to the  application. These revisions have been made and this has been  negotiated and agreed by the parties that would have been  impacted. The revised application meets the needs of the  planning requirements and also the non-planning criteria.  **Member of public 2**  There are plans to extend the emission zone around Bath which  could have an impact of more traffic being pushed out onto the  A360. Councillors agreed that this is one to monitor and consider  any local impact. | **KE** |
| **21/22/114** | **Planning**  **Applications to consider**   * **PL/2021/09496 Dauntsey’s School, High Street, West**   **Lavington, Devizes SN10 4HE** – see comments above.  Councillors asked Wiltshire Councillors Dom Muns why this  Application has not been called in to present to the Area Planning  Committee. Councillor Muns advised he was awaiting to see the  Highways Report to understand if there has been enough  analysis of traffic flow around the school and the impact on  other factors and road users. Councillors are in agreement for  this application to be called in by Councillor Muns if the Highways  Report is not comprehensive enough.  **5 councillors in agreement and 1 objected to calling it in to**  **the Area Planning Committee**   * **PL/2021/11543 FULL 59 High Street, Littleton Panell,**   **Devizes SN10 4ES** – Ash tree – pollard to reduce overhanging  of power cables and damage to parked cards. **No objections.**   * **PL/2021/11543 FULL Aster Communities, Mill Lane, West**   **Lavington, Devizes SN10 4HS –** Demolition of the existing  buildings and construction of 19 affordable homes together with  associated parking access and landscaping. Extension for  comments extended to 4 February so this item will be on the  next agenda. Member of the public raised their concerns about  the loss of this type of housing in the community and  hoping that the plans have taken into consideration the  Bridleway. This application has been called in and will be  heard by the Area Planning Committee.     * **PL/2021/10174 FULL 4 Conops, Stibb Hill, West Lavington,**   **Devizes SN10 4LH** – see Minute 21/22/113 above.  Councillors are concerned that at times they are being drawn  Into looking at providing advice to planning applicants but their  role is only to comment on what is presented before them and  ensure the appropriate procedures are followed.    **Planning Decisions**   * **PL/2021/09388 Full 109 High Street, Littleton Panell,**   **Devizes SN10 4EU** – conversion of existing outbuilding to  enable it’s use for ancillary residential purposes, including as a  granny annex. **Approve with conditions.**  **Planning Monitoring**   * **Lavington Lane Ransom Strip** – the legal work behind the   joint ownership between the parish council and Gaiger’s two  companies have moved on as the documents have been signed  just before Christmas.   * Neighbourhood Plan update re Steering Group – members of the   community have come forward to volunteer as part of the group  to review the plan. Date to be set for early February. | **JF/KE** |
| **21/22/115** | **Chairman’s Announcements**   * GDPR reminder – just a reminder to all councillors to be   conscious of content of email and communications as they could  at anytime be requested under Freedom of Information or  Subject Access Report.   * Parish council noticeboard – a resident has contacted the clerk   to enquire about the noticeboard that in effect now hangs on the  back of her garage wall. Clerk enquired initially if resident was  new owner as noticeboards have been in place at least 10  years. This was not the case but councillors agreed to request  permission retrospectively. Clerk to write to resident. |  |
| **21/22/116** | **Home Farm Licence application – ON and OFF Sales for Supply of alcohol: Sun-Sat 0800 - 2000**   * Further communication has taken place since the last meeting   with the licencing department. Licencing department advised  that the application before them is not connected to the planning  application previously made but not yet granted. The applicant  had advised they are awaiting approval by the planning  department for the application they made to extend the Farm  Shop. Planning advised they are awaiting comments back from  applicant in response to their request for further information. |  |
| **21/22/117** | **Corona Virus update**   * Update from the National Association of Local Councils – the   Government has announced a move to it’s Plan B on 8  December. The government has issued guidance and NALC will  update as necessary. There is no further update to be reported.   * COVID emergency phone – discussion whether to reactivate as   it is currently on pause. Councillors in agreement to remain on  pause as Wiltshire Council still have sources of support for  people during the pandemic. |  |
| **21/22/118** | **Highways Update**   * Duck Street update – an application was presented to   CATG and agreement for funding to be provided. A survey  will be sent to residents in Duck Street to ask their opinion on  installing road markings and Dauntsey House will need to be  part of this consultation. Mr Muns will speak with CATG further  about this application.     * Deer Signs – application has been made to CATG and will be at   their next meeting in February.   * Railings on A360 at Rickbarton – confirmation has been   received that the replacement will be ‘like for like’.   * Speed Indicator Devices – councillors were in agreement to put   in a request to CATG and this will potentially go to the February  meeting as well. |  |
| **21/22/119** | **Finance**   * Finance monitoring – Operational Budget sent to Mr Oglesby and   Mrs Ford to monitor bank reconciliation. Mr Oglesby signed the  bank statement. Budget monitoring sent out to all councillors.   * Information Commissioner Office – fee paid at the last   meeting and a certificate have been received to confirm the  subscription has been renewed.   * Precept setting for 2022-23 – information was circulated to   councillors prior to the meeting. Councillors were in agreement  to request the same amount as for 2021/22 in the sum of  £31 889 which results in a very small decrease to tax payers in  the sum of £0.02 per annum.  ***Proposed: Mrs J Ford***  ***Seconded: Mr P Blundell***  ***All councillors present in agreement***  Clerk to send document to Wiltshire Council.   * Disbursements   **Cheque Number Payee £**  1843 HMRC 499.80  1844 Kaye Elston (clerk salary) 399.83  1845 MJ Abbott 1170 .00 | **KE** |
| **21/22/120** | **Receipt of Working Groups and project reports**   * Footpaths – the work at the steps on WLAV14 will be   Commenced week commencing 24.01.2022.   * Playgrounds Group update –need to think about Roberts   Playground and the potential impact when the building work  begins at Hedges House if the planning application is agreed. |  |
| **21/22/121** | **Policies for Review**   * Equalities and Inclusion – agreed with no amendments. * Grants – agreed with no amendments.   Clerk will put onto the website. | **KE** |
| **21/22/122** | **Commemorating the Queens Jubilee in 2022**   * Mr Oglesby and Mr Blundell brought some designs and   Councillors were in agreement they preferred the design with  colour. Councillors believe they need about 300 mugs. |  |
| **21/22/123** | **Date of next parish council meeting**   * **03 February 2022 at 1900** |  |

*Meeting closed at 9.30pm*

Signed…………………………………………………………………………03 February 2022