

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LYMPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30PM ON MONDAY
2nd December 2019 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.**

PRESENT:	
Councillors	D Atkins, C Carter, K Hill, K Rogers and D Young.
Clerk	Miss L Tyrrell
County Councillors	
District Councillors	B Ingham and G Jung
Public	5 members

The Chairman welcomed all present and reminded the public they had three minutes to speak on any item on the agenda and invited members to participate.

Public Session

A resident asked about whether email was deemed correspondence as he had emailed the PC on a couple of occasions but had not had any referred to at a meeting. Both the Chair and Vice Chair explained that correspondence could also be via email and could not understand where the resident's emails had gone.

RESOLVED that the Clerk follow up with the resident emails sent and received.

Another resident shared concerns of the excess sand that had drifted up the River Exe. He was especially concerned with the damage to the flora and fauna being choked by the amount of sand. He asked if the PC could write to the EA regarding the concerns. He added his concerns of the future of the Exe estuary and what a pity local knowledge was not listened to in the first instance. District Cllr Jung explained that he was urgently looking into it with the Environment Agency. Cllr Jung added that there was no immediate danger to residents, an EDDC engineer and the EA were holding a meeting to investigate the concerns, but he believed it could be another month before results started being noticed. The resident added that evidence should have been taken before to baseline a comparison with now. Cllr Jung reiterated his concerns of the wildlife and how any breaches of the spit would affect the rest of the villages and town along the Exe Estuary. Another resident added his concerns of where flood water would go if the Exe was filling up with sand.

Another resident expressed his concerns of the stones being washed down Wotton Lane in the recent storms and piled up at the crossroads at the Saddlers Arms. He highlighted the danger of the stones spread across this part of the road to all passing pedestrians and road users. He wanted to know why the DCC hadn't been out to clear the road. He felt that the PC should bring it to DCCs attention. Cllr Jung added that he would follow this up with EDDC and the Clerk would report it to Highways to ensure it was cleared. Cllr Jung also added that a flood warden should also report it. Cllr Atkins would report it to Richard Elliot and Highways. Cllr Jung explained it must be reported online to be in the system.

RESOLVED that the Clerk report the stones on DCC highways website.

19/83 Apologies:

Parish Cllrs Ducker and Eastley, and, County Cllrs Scott and Trail.

Cllr Atkins suggested sending Cllr Eastley a card from the PC of well wishes. Unan.

RESOLVED that the Chair send Cllr Eastley a card on behalf of the PC.

19/84 Minutes

Cllr Atkins proposed the minutes were accurate. Cllr Carter seconded. Unanimous.

RESOLVED that the PC minutes of the meetings held on 4th November 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

19/85 To receive any Declarations of Interest

19/2208/FUL – Cllr Atkins declared an interest as he had a contract with the owner to cut the hedges. Cllr Rogers added that she lived near the area but had no monetary interest.

19/86 Clerk's report:

19/86.1 3 Year Review of Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs)

The Chair proposed that there needed a 'dogs on lead' sign on the footpath behind the houses at Glebelands as families used that path frequently and there was always dog mess along it. Cllr Hill seconded. Unan.

The Clerk explained that the foreshore at the harbour already had a sign to remind people to keep dogs on leads and the children's playground on the estate was a dog free area. It was reminded that the foreshore was owned by the harbour board and the play area was owned by CTCRM. Cllr Jung explained that Environmental Health would only enforce areas where children played. It was agreed that the Clerk write to EDDC with updated areas and suggestions for other areas. The Chair also proposed writing to the school to remind parents with dogs to respect notices; keep dogs on leads and pick up after your dog. Unan.

RESOLVED that the Clerk respond to EDDC Public space protection order.

RESOLVED that the Clerk write to the Primary School with a reminder to dog owners.

19/86.2 Heritage Lottery Application

Cllr Atkins proposed to support FOGBG with their application and congratulated the group on all their hard work and dedication with this project. Cllr Carter 2nd. Unan.

RESOLVED that the Clerk write to FOGBG to explain LPC fully support them.

19/86.3 Correspondence Received

Garden waste in Wotton Brook - Mr Tyrrell

The Clerk read correspondence received regarding dumped garden waste, plastic and other debris floating down Wotton Brook which was illegal and messed with the eco system of the Brook. Mr Tyrrell added that the wildlife was diminishing and a heighten awareness of the protection of this water cause was of paramount importance. He explained that all owners of land and property that run to the Brook are known as Riparian owners and they had a duty of care to keep the Brook clear of waste and pollutants for the water to remain clean and healthy. Cllr Jung explained there was an online leaflet produced by DCC to explain about Riparian ownership at: <https://www.devon.gov.uk/floodriskmanagement/question/riparian-owner-responsibility/>

The Chair proposed that this was reported in the Herald and the leaflet added to the website. Unan.

RESOLVED that the Clerk add this concern in the Herald.

RESOLVED that Cllr Young add the information leaflet to the website.

Temporary car park, Lymptone - Ms Letcher

The Clerk referred to the correspondence received and explained that the matter had been followed up with both Mrs Letcher and EDDC.

Posters in the village – Lymptone History Society

A member of the history society committee was present and explained the frustration of the society. They had spent money on advertising events in the Parish and had noticed that outside groups had removed the history society posters and replaced them with their own. She felt that advertising in the Parish

should only be for village organisations. The Clerk added that she had updated the PCs notice boards with the rules of posting notices. The Chair and Cllr Carter both suggested removing posters from external groups.

Another resident suggested that perhaps there could be a separate board under the railway for outside groups only to advertise in as there were many groups that offered excellent services.

District Cllr Ingham explained that this had always been a contentious issue and in previous years Councillors had removed every poster advertising from outside the Parish. He felt that any commercial adverts should be removed and encouraged to pay for an advert in the Herald instead.

The Chair proposed that the rules on posting notices should be added to the website and in the Herald and remind the public that no advertising of any commercial business should not be allowed. She also suggested that the Clerk laminate and display more rules around the Parish in addition to the PCs notice boards and respond to the history society. Unan.

RESOLVED that the Clerk add the rules in the Herald.

RESOLVED that Cllr Young add the rules to the website.

RESOLVED that the Clerk laminate more rules and display.

RESOLVED that the Clerk respond to the History Society.

Dog fouling - Mr and Mrs McCarthy

The Clerk read the correspondence regarding dog fouling in the Parish. The Chair explained that this was an ongoing issue and proposed more stickers should be put up around the Parish and the Clerk again write to EDDC dog warden highlighting certain areas. Unan.

RESOLVED that the Clerk put up more stickers to remind dog owners to clear up after their dog.

RESOLVED that the Clerk contact EDDC dog warden.

19/86.4

Locality budget grant

The Clerk was pleased to report that the locality grant applied for £900 had been awarded to the PC for remedial work and a new bench in Candy's field. The Chair thanked District Cllrs Channon, Scott and Trail for their generosity in awarding this grant to LPC.

RESOLVED that the Clerk contact the contractor already agreed to complete remedial works in Candy's field.

RESOLVED that the Clerk order a new bench.

19/86.5

Finance - Payments / Financial summary / Budget report

Cllr Rogers proposed and approved the financial summary and budget report was a true and accurate account. Cllr Young seconded. Unan.

RESOLVED that the following payments be approved:

Payments (November 2019):

04/11/19	2638	Alison West - Bespoke Web Design	£25.00
04/11/19	2639	CPRE Devon - Planning workshop	£20.00
04/11/19	2640	Scott Walker - Telephone box door	£72.00
04/11/19	2641	The Poppy Appeal	£25.00
04/11/19	2642	Optima Graphics - Herald printing (Nov)	£405.00
04/11/19	2643	HMRC - NI Oct 19	£25.98
04/11/19	2644	Miss L Tyrrell- wages Oct 19	£908.83
04/11/19	2645	Miss L Tyrrell- expenses Oct 19	£169.98
04/11/19	2646	Mrs C Edworthy - wages Oct 19	£242.73

04/11/19	2647	SLCC membership	£168.00
04/11/19	2648	A Western	£535.95
04/11/19	2649	East Devon Tree Care - Candy's Field trees	£450.00
04/11/19	DD	EDF ENERGY REFERENCE: 671024465401	£31.00
15/11/19	DD	EDF ENERGY REFERENCE: 671079829135	£34.00
15/11/19	DD	EDF ENERGY REFERENCE: 671079829166	£56.00
15/11/19	DD	EDFENERGY CUST PLC REFERENCE: 9208111111	£69.68

Receipts (November 2019):

01/11/2019	FPI	Lympstone FC - Cliff field Apr 2016-Mar 2020	200.00
07/11/2019	FPI	Herald advert - Helen Dimond	5.00
12/11/2019	500404	Gegg - Truell burial	830.00
16/11/2019	FPI	Herald Advert - BAKER-RAND H & E	30.00
18/11/2019	FPI	Herald Advert - Wilkinson Grant	500.00
19/11/2019	FPI	Herald Advert - M Bell	50.00

Financial summary (November 2019):

Opening balance 1/4/19:	59,756.00
Total receipts as of 30th November 19:	112,662.08
Total Payments as of 30th November 19:	48,923.49

Running balance as of 30th November 19:	63,738.59
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Budget (November 2019):

Expenditure

Code	Item	Budget	Spent	Balance
10	VAT	£5,000.00	£1,124.59	3,875.41
100	S137 *	£500.00	£25.00	475.00
101	Other Grants	£1,000.00	£531.94	468.06
201	Clerk's Salary	£10,000.00	£6,999.79	3,000.21
202	Clerks Expenses	£800.00	£589.56	210.44
203	Office expenses	£1,200.00	£742.17	457.83
208	Village Hall Hire	£0.00	£0.00	0.00
209	Miscellaneous	£500.00	£0.00	500.00
301	Chairman's Allowance	£150.00	£0.00	150.00
302	Subs	£600.00	£620.78	-20.78
307	Courses, Travel etc	£500.00	£270.00	230.00
308	Insurance, Audit, Elections	£3,500.00	£2,043.68	1,456.32
313	Miscellaneous inc Beacon bonfire	£500.00	£6,995.47	-6,495.47
400	Herald Printing	£4,500.00	£2,862.00	1,638.00
602	Grass Cut	£4,000.00	£3,787.50	212.50
605	Other Maintenance	£1,000.00	£1,415.70	-415.70
608	General tree work inc Candys Field	£500.00	£692.20	-192.20
612	Bin emptying	£500.00	£686.67	-186.67
616	Handyman	£4,000.00	£528.75	3,471.25
618	Notice Boards - Maintenance	£100.00	£0.00	100.00
633	Play Equipment Mtce	£1,000.00	£89.50	910.50
640	Lighting in Candy's field	£600.00	£525.03	74.97
701	Toilets inc: wages, consumables, rates, elec, utilities, repairs	£5,600.00	£2,808.84	2,791.16
702	Flood equipment and Maintenance	£500.00	£13.98	486.02
703	LFRG expenses	£500.00	£121.44	378.56
706	Gulliford Cemetery	£800.00	£9,260.00	-8,460.00

800	Burial Ground	£500.00	£125.00	375.00
1101	Youth Club Building Maintenance	£1,000.00	£283.03	716.97
1102	YC Utilities	£2,000.00	£958.16	1,041.84
1300	Website etc	£400.00	£563.00	-163.00
1400	Adverse weather	£200.00	£30.00	170.00
1500	Gully cleaning and jetting	£2,000.00	£0.00	2,000.00
2100	Parishes Together	£1,500.00	£1,575.00	-75.00
2300	Community Hub Projects	£0.00	£1,496.15	-1,496.15
2400	Cont to repairs to VH Car Park	£500.00	£0.00	500.00
2500	DCC Funding	£0.00	£0.00	0.00
2600	YC Recharge	£0.00	£0.00	0.00
Total		£50,950.00	£46,640.34	£4,309.66
Add VAT			<u>£1,124.59</u>	
Total			£47,764.93	

19/86.6 Clerk's Action List

RESOLVED that the Council received and noted the Clerk's action list.

19/87 Reports from the Chairman, East Devon District Councillors and Devon County Councillors

The Chair thanked all for the fantastic attendance at the Remembrance Day service and parade. She had been very proud to represent and lay a wreath on behalf of the PC. The British Legion had also written a note of thanks for the PCs kind donation. The Chair reported of a very enjoyable evening at the PCs annual dinner and thanked the Redwing for their kind hospitality. The Chair also confirmed that the PC had agreed for the Exe Estuary Management Partnership (EEMP) to provide new information boards regarding the Exe Estuary at the Green and the Rag. The Chairman invited all members present to join her for Christmas drinks and nibbles after the meeting. District Cllr Ingham and District Cllr Jung wished all members present a very Happy Christmas and New Year. Cllr Jung announced and congratulated East Devon for now being the best in the country for recycling and residual waste, there was now a zero-landfill waste. A resident explained that her food waste bin had been damaged during collections and EDDC were happy to replace it with a new one within five days of her reporting it. Cllr Jung also reminded all that it was not necessary to use a black bin liner in the large black bin as the rubbish could be dumped straight into the bin to save on unnecessary plastic waste.

No County Cllrs were present to report.

19/88 Planning Applications

The following Appeals were noted:

- **30/10/19:** TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL UNDER SECTION 174 APPEAL BY: Mr John Lomax APPEAL REF: APP/U1105/C/19/3234097 SITE ADDRESS: Land adjacent to The Workshop, Longmeadow Road, Lymptone
- **31/10/19:** TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL BY: Mr John Lomax APPEAL REF: APP/U1105/X/19/3238290 PROPOSAL: Certificate of lawfulness for the provision of a porous hard surface to be used for any purpose incidental to the enjoyment of The Workshop, Longmeadow Road, Lymptone EX8 5LF a dwellinghouse at any point outlined in red on the attached plan.

LOCATION: The Workshop Longmeadow Road Lymptone Exmouth EX8 5LF

Cllr Atkins proposed that the PC write to the building inspectorate and reiterate the issues that had been previously raised with these planning applications such as; no outflow into the Brook and no hard-standing area. The Chair proposed a letter was drafted, emailed to all Cllrs to agree and submit to the building inspectorate. Unan.
RESOLVED that the Clerk draft a letter and send once agreed.

19/2396/FUL - Construction of site extension to allow for 1st floor accommodation at 9 Grange Close

It was unanimously agreed to support.

RESOLVED that the Clerk submit the recommendation from LPC to EDDC.

19/2503/TCA - G1, Silver Birch : reduce height of both trees by approximately 6m, 25cm diameter cuts; reduce sides by approximately 1 -2 metres to shape at Longbrook Cottage

It was unanimously agreed to support.

RESOLVED that the Clerk submit the recommendation from LPC to EDDC.

19/1322/FUL – Amended Plans; Demolition of existing dwelling and garages/outbuildings and construction of new replacement dwelling and construction of single storey garage and store at Chatterpark

The Chair proposed to resubmit LPCs original objection. Cllr Jung highlighted the new building regulations and climate change. He added that the carbon footprint must now be taken into consideration.

A resident added that the current building was unique to the area. He added that the bats could not be rehomed that were identified on site. He encouraged all members to visit and view the site. Another resident explained that the history society had been asked to list significant building in the Parish for future protection.

Councillors had a split decision vote on this application.

RESOLVED that the Clerk submit the recommendation from LPC to EDDC.

19/2208/FUL – Amended plans; Removal of windows in the northern elevation and retention of existing shutters at Strawberry Fields Livery Yard.

Cllr Hill proposed to object with LPCs original response. Cllr Young seconded. Unan.

RESOLVED that the Clerk submit the recommendation from LPC to EDDC.

19/89 EDDC Planning decisions

RESOLVED that the EDDC decisions were noted.

19/90 Matters raised by Councillors

Facilities and Estates – Cllr Atkins reported that the public car park needed a good tidy up and the brambles were overgrowing and encroaching from the railway embankment. Cllr Atkins proposed that LPC contact both EDDC and Network Rail to get the required work done. Cllr Rogers seconded. Unan.

RESOLVED that the Clerk contact EDDC and Network Rail with the work required.

Communications – Cllr Young reported that the Herald had transitioned its monthly titles being a month behind to now being a month ahead to avoid dates of future events being missed.

Transport, Parking and Planning – Cllr Hill reported that more people were choosing to park on double yellow lines rather than in the car park throughout the centre of the village. He proposed that DCC were contacted and get a regular traffic warden to patrol the Parish. Cllr Rogers seconded. Unan.

RESOLVED that the Clerk contact DCC regarding a heightened patrol of traffic wardens.

A resident added that soon there will be 24hr traffic wardens in Exmouth so they could also patrol Lympstone.

Cllr Atkins added that the traffic wardens are employed by the county council not the district council and in the past traffic wardens had not wanted to come into the village due to inappropriate behaviour from members of the public. Cllr Jung added that if parked cars hinder emergency vehicles then that would be a leverage to get traffic wardens out regardless.

Community – The clerk informed all members that the Community Hub would be funding the hire of the Village Hall for a story time session with Jenny Moon for £20.40.

Environment - Cllr Young (*was Flood/Emergency/Allotments*)

A resident highlighted the fact that due to the recent wet weather the Brook below the Nurseries was four foot higher than usual. He queried how the attenuation pond in the new development would cope with this in the future.

The Chairman reported that Meeting Lane had been closed due to the impassable flood water. She added that due to the building work there a pipe had been crushed and was not working adequately to remove the excess water.

Another resident asked about the water pump being purchased by LFRG. He wanted to know where it would be stored and who would maintain it? Would it be adequate to work efficiently? If the pump did not work, then who would be liable? Who would pay for the fuel and servicing of the pump? Could it be a dangerous route to additional liable implications? Cllr Jung explained that LFRG had identified a need and submitted a report for a small, sludge pump. The grant had been awarded for it from DCC.

RESOLVED that the Clerk write to LFRG to answer the concerned resident's queries.

19/91 **Matters raised by Councillors**

Cllr Hill brought up the access over the Green to the foreshore and the builders accessing properties by driving along the beach. He explained that they were bringing sand and gravel back up onto the road. Contractors would simply remove the post there and drive on. He added that SWW did not do this as they would always park on the slipway and work from there.

RESOLVED that the Clerk contact SWW to replace the removal post to a locked post.

Meeting closed **8.30pm**

Chairman:

Date: