



LEONARD STANLEY

P A R I S H C O U N C I L

Minutes of the Leonard Stanley Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10th July 2012 at 7.30 pm in the Lease Room, Village Hall.

Present:- Councillors W Bevan, C Connett, G Davies (Chairman), S Davies, P Herbert and D Targett

Also Present:- District Cllr N Studdert-Kennedy and County Cllr Leslie Williams (departed after Item 65/12).

58/12. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs S Craddock, R Gaunt and S Lydon.

59/12. Declarations of Interest in Agenda Items – There were none.

60/12. To approve the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 12th June 2012

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

61/12 To consider the pre-consultation plan for Traffic Calming Measures in Bath Road and proposed new layout for Lambs Triangle

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated a pre-consultation document from Highways, for the Members to consider.

Concerns were raised reference the proposed improvements to Lambs Triangle, where they felt that lorries and buses would still encounter difficulties in turning. It was suggested that a sign should be considered for 'vehicles over a certain length', so that they could still use the right hand lane when exiting Marsh Road.

For the traffic calming measures along Bath Road, it was suggested that an additional speed hump be considered (making a total of three), and that the type suggested could be changed if it is realised that the Road is not a Bus Route.

The Clerk to respond to Mr J Kay, of Gloucestershire Highways.

CLERK

62/12. To receive updates from the County and District Councillors

District Cllr Nigel Studdert-Kennedy updated the Council on the New Standards Committee.

Cllr P Herbert asked District Cllr Studdert Kennedy to explain further about the Dog Control Orders.

The Clerk read out a statement from District Cllr Steve Lydon, who reported that he is in talks with The Punch Taverns about the possibility of establishing a community hub in The White Heart. Also that he would be interested to hear any feedback reference the new recycling procedures.

63/12 To receive an update from the Clerk

i. Steering Group for Play Facilities in the Recreation Park

The Clerk stated that the Steering Group have put together the questionnaire for the children of the Parish to complete, with the majority being delivered with this weeks news letter, and hopefully those who don't receive the news letter should also have it delivered by next week. The Steering Group is then planning to meet early August to take forward the results of the questionnaire.

ii. Vandalism of Play Equipment

The Clerk reported that the platform in the Slide had been damaged, and has been repaired. Plus one of the wooden poles in the assault course has been pulled down. The Clerk stated that she has reported this to the Police.

iii. New Standards Regime – Code of Conduct.

The Clerk confirmed that the new standards regime became law with effect the 1st July 2012, but we are still waiting for Stroud District Council to agree the new code of conduct.

64/12. Playing Fields

i) To discuss options for fixed Goal Posts/Nets on the Playing Fields

Cllr Herbert stated that he had not been able to establish a suitable location for fixed goal posts, but requested that the Council purchase a set that could be moved around. It was suggested that the Youth Team would benefit and maybe willing to take some of the responsibility in ensuring their safe keeping. **DT**

*It was agreed to purchase a set of training goal posts, up to the value of £300. **CLERK***

ii) To discuss and agree what action should be taken in regard to access onto and across the Recreation Park.

The Clerk stated that she had spoken with the Rights of Way Officer at Gloucestershire County Council, who had sent her a deposition to complete. This will protect the Playing Fields from any new rights of way being established for the next 10 years, at which time the Council will have the opportunity to renew the deposition.

The Council were fully supportive of the deposition, to prevent any new rights of way being established on the Playing Fields. It was requested that the Clerk further investigate any legal implications to rights of access being established before the next meeting. **CLERK**

65/12. To discuss the reporting of financial payments in the Minutes

The Chairman first informed Members of the negative feedback he had received following the way this item was raised at last month's meeting.

The Chairman explained the back ground and highlighted to the Members all the options that could be taken. Each Member followed by the Clerk stated their own opinions.

It was proposed that every item, except the Clerks Salary, be published in full, in the Minutes. This was not carried.

It was agreed that there be no change to the way financial payments are currently reported in the minutes.

66/12. Financial Issues

i) To authorise payments in accordance with the RFO Report

Summary of expenditure for June 2012:-

Description	Total Paid Out	Power of Authority
Pavilion and Playing Fields	£ 28.00	LG(MP)A 1976 s.19(3)
Administration	£1023.04	LGA 1972 s.112(2), LGA 1972 s.111, LG (FP)A 1963 S.5, LG & Rating Act 1997 s.31 and LGA 1972 s134(4)
Village Maintenance	£ 340.00	Highways A 1980 s.96 and Litter A 1983 ss.5,6
Total Payments	£1391.04	

The Council approved the accounts for payment.

ii) To receive confirmation that the External Auditors have passed the Annual Return

The Clerk confirmed that the External Auditors had passed the Annual Return, with no comments. The Notice of Conclusion of Audit, will now be advertised on the Village Hall Notice Board.

CLERK

iii) To confirm receipt of a £30 donation

The Clerk stated that a resident who had won £30, from the Pride in Your Neighbourhood Event had donated the monies to the Parish Council. The Clerk to write a letter of thanks.

CLERK

67/12. Planning

i. To consider any plans received:

The following Planning Applications had been received:

- a. S.12/1162/LBC Downton Farm, Stanley Downton – Demolitions. Internal and external alterations in the re-use and conversion of Tithe Barn to dwelling. Re-roofing and construction of new vehicle access.

The Council supported this application.

- b. S.12/1154/HHOLD Crantock, Church Road – Single storey extensions to existing bungalow.

The Council supported this application.

ii) The following applications have now received permission:

- S.12/1049/TPO Leonard Stanley House – Fell dead Oak tree.
- S.12/0761/HHOLD Quietways, The Street – Resubmission of S.12/0150/HHOLD single storey extension. Insertion of Velux rooflights in east roof.
- S.12/0036/HHOLD 19 Woodlands – Erection of two storey extension.

68/12. Correspondence

Details of the correspondence received during June had been circulated. The Clerk highlighted the following items:

- Jubilee Tree – It was agreed to donate this to the School.
- Six a side Football Tournament

69/12. Councillors Submissions -

- Cllr W Bevan stated that there is a Woolaway Meeting on Wednesday 11th July at 6pm.
- The Clerk reported that Agenda Items should be submitted by the 17th August 2012.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.14 pm. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 4th September 2012 in The Lease Room of the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.