



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 11th December 2012 at 7.30 pm in the Lease Room, Village Hall.

Present:- Councillors C Connett, S Craddock, G Davies (Chairman), S Davies, R Gaunt, S Lydon and R Price.

Observing:- District Cllr Nigel Studdert-Kennedy (departed after Item 111/12)

107/12. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr P Herbert, County Cllr L Williams, PCSO Liz Ward and Neighbourhood Warden Phil Drew.

108/12. Declarations of Interest in Agenda Items – There were none.

109/12. To approve the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 6th November 2012

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

110/12. To co-opt Rachel Price

It was agreed to co-opt Rachel Price.

Cllr Price signed the Declaration of Office, witnessed by the Clerk.

111/12. To receive updates from the County and District Councillors

District Cllr Nigel Studdert-Kennedy reported that they will be a meeting this week to discuss the how many houses are needed for the Core Strategy.

District Cllr Steve Lydon reported that the District Council were still awaiting information from the government before the budget is agreed.

112/12 To receive an update on the Playing Fields

The Chairman reported that the Clerk and himself had met with a solicitor to commence legal proceedings against the Fun Fair Organiser Angus Pedrick, with a view of recovering the costs to repair the damage to the Playing Fields.

It was noted that the Council will be consulted at every stage of the proceeding.

Work on the Playing Fields will be ongoing as and when the weather permits.

113/12. To consider setting up a Pavilion and Playing Fields Committee

The Chairman outlined a suggestion to form a Pavilion and Playing Fields Committee.

The Council were in favour of setting up a committee and the Clerk was asked to write to the Village Fair Committee, the Tennis and Cricket Club to ask them if they would like to nominate a representative for the new Committee. **CLERK**

Cllr Stuart Craddock agreed to represent the Football Club and Cllr Rachel Price agreed to represent the general users.

114/12 To receive an update from the Clerk

i. Steering Group for Play Facilities in the Recreation Park

The Clerk stated that the designs have now been received and the Group are meeting next week.

ii. Village Champion Award

Notification of the award has been advertised in the newsletter, school newsletter and website. Responses are to be addressed to the Clerk who will pass on all information to the Members before the next meeting.

iii. Micro Surfacing in Church Road

The Clerk stated that Highways are aware that the surfacing has failed and have gone back to the contractors.

The Members expressed their concerns and asked the Clerk to write to Highways (& copy in Jason Humm). The concerns include:

- No forward planning and joined up thinking, with regard the gas works
- That the micro surfacing is inadequate and therefore a waste of money
- Slightly raised manhole covers, which make life difficult/hazardous for cyclists
- The reason why the road marking have been re-instated at Lambs Triangle if there is a plan to change the layout
- Plus when will the contractors return to repair Church Road **CLERK**

115/12. To discuss the issues from the recent flooding

The Council discussed the main reason for the flooding, which they felt was down to problems with the ditches in Gypsy Lane. They asked the Clerk to write to Highways to ask them to provide a solution. **CLERK**

The Clerk reported that she has posted an updated version of the Contingency Plan on the website.

116/12. Financial Issues

j) To authorise payments in accordance with the RFO Report

Summary of expenditure for November 2012:-

Description	Total Paid Out	Power of Authority
Pavilion and Playing Fields	£1376.00	LG(MP)A 1976 s.19(3)
Administration	£ 620.48	LGA 1972 s.112(2), LG (FP)A 1963), LGA 1972 s.111, LG(MP)A 1976

		s.19(3) & S.137
Village Maintenance	£ 371.00	Highways A 1980 s.96 & Highways A 1980 ss4350
Total Payments	£2367.48	

The Council approved the accounts for payment.

ii. To consider grants

It was agreed to make the following grants:-

Monday Club	£150
Stroud CAB	£350
Ring and Ride	£100
St Swithuns' PCC	£100
LS Toddler Group	£100

iii. To approve the Revised Budget for Financial Year 2012/2013

The Clerk advised the Members that Stroud District Council have asked all Parish Council to wait until the details of the Tax Base are known before setting the Precept. The Clerk asked Members to consider waiting to approve the budgets and setting of the Precept.

It was agreed to defer Items 116/12 iii, iv and v and to bring forward February's meeting to the 29th January 2013.

iv. To approve the Proposed Budget for Financial Year 2013/14

See Item 116/12 iii

v. To set the Precept for Financial Year 2013/2014

See Item 116/12 iii

117/12. Planning

i. To consider any plans received:

a. S.12/2298/LBC Stable And Cartshed South West Of Leonard Stanley House Alterations and extensions.

It was agreed to support this application.

b. S.12/1898/COU Land Lying To The South Of, Downton Road Change of use of part of field from agricultural to equestrian and the erection of stables.

It was agreed to object to this application as it results in the loss of agricultural land and it has poor access, straight onto a bend. It was also agreed to query why the erection of stables has been tagged onto a Change of Use application.

c. S.12/2425/LBC Ivy Cottage, Church Road Demolition of single storey rear extension and removal of partition wall. Construction of new rear single storey extension.

It was agreed to support this application.

d. S.12/.2424/HHOLD Ivy Cottage, Church Road
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It was agreed to support this application.

118/12. Correspondence

Details of the correspondence received during November had been circulated. The Clerk highlighted the following item:

- Quote from T W Hawkins & Sons for gang mowing and hedge cutting – confirming no increase. The Members agreed to accept this quote.

119/12. Councillors Submissions –

There was none.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.35pm. The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 29th January 2013** in The Lease Room of the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.