



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 3rd June 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Present:- Councillors R Bayliss, J Bogdiukiewicz, G Davies (Chairman), S Davies and M Macefield

Also Present:- District Cllr Nigel Studdert-Kennedy and 1 Members of the Public

Mr Matthew Kendrick cancelled his presentation.

51/14. Apologies for absence were received Cllrs Chris Connett, Stuart Craddock, Steve Lydon and Phil Herbert

52/14. Declarations of Interest in Agenda Items

There were none.

53/14. To approve the minutes from the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 13th May 2014

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

54/14. To consider any action to be taken following the Appeal Hearing on Planning Application S.13/2678/OUT for Land South of Bath Road (known locally as Mankley Field)

The Chairman invited Mrs Diane O'Dell to join in the discussions.

The Chairman outlined the background and confirmed that the Clerk met with District Cllrs Steve Lydon and Nigel Studdert-Kennedy.

The Council had a long discussion on what action to take as they felt that the advice given from the Planning Department and the representation at the appeal fell significantly short of the Council's and the residents expectations.

It was agreed that the Clerk would continue to represent the Council and should use her judgement whilst proceeding with a formal complaint. **CLERK**

55/14. To receive updates from the County and District Councillors

District/County Cllr Steve Lydon had sent in a report, which was circulated prior to the meeting. In summary:-

- a. Highways. I have arranged to meet with John Kay and the Clerk to discuss current issues and receive a progress report, plus agree how best to allocate the £20k County Cllr allocation.
- b. Active Together Fund. The aim is to support sport and physical activity and each County Cllr has an allocation of £40K over two years.
- c. Cam and Dursley Station Parking and Public Transport Links. Following a number of complaints and approaches by and a number of organisations, I asked a question of the Cabinet Lead at the County Council on this matter to look at parking, public transport links etc with all the relevant bodies. This would include neighbouring County Cllrs, District Cllrs, and the various bodies. The Cabinet Lead has agreed to work me with to convene such a meeting.
- d. Health. Ambulance performance still remains poor in the rural areas of County. The Council agreed a motion to ask for the Ambulance Service and the contractors the Clinical Commissioning Group to consider the issue of greater resources. The ambulance service have recently announced extra resources in rural areas. I was recently reelected as Chair of the County Health and Social Care Overview Scrutiny Committee, and will continue to monitor this issue.
- e. National Policy Planning Framework. I moved a motion which was passed asking for the Framework to be reviewed, this motion was passed.
- f. Youth Fund. Replicating the highways and active together funds, each County Cllr has an allocation of £5k to support particularly under 12s participating in youth activities. As per above am keen to involve the Council in how best to allocate this fund.
- g. Mankley Road Redevelopment. A start date of October has been indicated, there are some legal issues to be overcome ref the council giving planning permission to itself. However, am keen to bring forward that date.
- h. Mankley Field. I fully support the need for Stroud District Council to review and learn lessons from the approach taken over the recent appeal.

District Cllr Nigel Studdert-Kennedy:-

- a. Local Plan. He gave a detailed update on the results of the Examination in Public report, which was released today.
(The report can be viewed online at www.stroud.gov.uk/info/plan).
- b. AGM for Stroud District Council. The decision for the number of District Councillors in the Boundary Review will be made at this meeting.

56/14. To consider projects for the County Council Highways and Active Together Funding:

Highways funding. The Council agreed to request that the repairs to the Gypsy Lane culvert, is made its absolute priority.

Active Together Grant: The Council agreed to request a grant for the refurbishment of the Tennis Courts; ie new fencing, new nets, improvements to the surfacing and repainting.

57/14 To consider applying for a Tree Protection Order for the tree on the triangle opposite Church Farm

The Chairman stated that a resident had requested that the Council seek a Tree Protection Order on the oak tree, located on the triangle opposite Church Farm. As power lines are running through this tree there is concern that the power company may just fell the tree rather than re-direct the power lines.

The Council agreed to apply for a Tree Protection Order for this tree.

CLERK

58/14 To consider allocation the roles for:-

a. Playing Field and Pavilion - it was agreed that Cllr Bayliss and Cllr Herbert both take on this role.

b. Police Liaison - this is to be deferred until a later meeting.

59/14. To discuss access to the Playing Field and consider a request from the Village Hall Management Committee to provide a barrier between the Village Hall Car Park and the Pavilion Car Park.

a. The gap in the hedge opposite Broad Meadows. The Clerk reported that she has received a quote for £900 for a security fence to fill in the gap. The Council decided that as the quote was so expensive a better alternative should be sought. Cllr Sue Davies will investigate the cost of mature hedging.

SD

b. The small barrier system to enter the pavilion car park. Concerns have been raised that whilst it is important to secure the playing fields, the barrier being 'up' when teams are training or playing results in those teams parking in the Village Hall car park. It was agreed to request that the football club ensure that those who need to be able to operate it are given a key or combination. This should include a representative of the youth team, a representative of the cricket club, TW Hawkins and Steve Marshall. The barrier should be 'down' in time for the both the senior and youth teams to park before training or a game and be 'up' at all other times.

CLERK/SC

(The football and cricket clubs are to be reminded that they should not park in the Village Hall car park).

CLERK/SC

c. Green between the Village Hall and Pavilion car parks. The Village Hall Management Committee has requested that some sort of barrier is put in place to prevent vehicles entering the Villager Hall car park entrance and driving over the green to park in the pavilion car park.

The Council agreed to investigate the cost of placing large stones/boulders across the green.

CLERK/SD

60/14. Financial Issues

j) To authorise payments in accordance with the RFO Report

Summary of expenditure for May 2014:-

Description	Total Paid Out	Power of Authority
Pavilion and Playing Fields	£1028.91	LG(MP)A 1976 s.19(3)
Administration	£1509.72	LGA 1972 s.112(2) & LG (FP)A 1933 s.5 & LG & Rating Act 1997 s.31
Village Maintenance	£ 689.20	Highways A 1980 ss.4, Litter A 1983 ss.5,6 & LGA 1972 s.143
Grants	£ 500.00	S.137

Total Payments	£3727.83	
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The Council approved the accounts for payment.

ii) To consider purchasing more Village Trail Leaflets

A request has been received to print more Village Trail leaflets; the Clerk reported it would cost approximately £60 for 300 leaflets.

The Council agreed to purchase 300 leaflets.

CLERK

iii) To consider increasing the paid hours for the Clerk/RFO

The Clerk had circulated a report to the Council prior to the meeting giving evidence of a need to increase the hours for the Clerk/RFO position.

The Members felt strongly that these hours needed to be increased and should be subject to a further review to ensure that sufficient hours are being paid.

The Council agreed to increase the hours of the Clerk/RFO to 12 per week with effect the 1st June 2014.

61/14. Planning

i. To consider any plans received:

S.14/1118/HHOLD 2 Brockley Road – Proposed single storey extension to the rear of the dwelling.

The Council agreed to support this application.

S.14/1073/HHOLD Grange Corner, Bath Road – Extensions to dwelling and minor internal alterations; including removal of garage, coal bunkers and shed to build new garage and improve existing access.

The Council agreed to support this application.

ii. To receive a progress report from the Clerk on applications already responded to

The following plans are still pending:-

S.13/2424/FUL Land at Mankley Road - The demolition of 23 dwellings and the erection of 51 replacement units with associated landscaping and infrastructure works.

S.14/0525/FUL Land at Woodside Lane - Erection of 48 dwellings (including 15 affordable dwellings), including landscaping and associated infrastructure works

62/14. Correspondence - The following items were highlighted:

- Letter from Neil Carmichael MP – regarding questions raised in the House of Commons to the Housing Minister on the National Planning Policy Framework
- Letter from Courtney Dunlop – requesting a donation towards her fund raising efforts.
- Applications have been received for the project management to produce the Village Design Statement - It was agreed that the Cllrs Rob Bayliss and Sue Davies along with the Clerk meet with the applicants with a view of implementing the plan ASAP.

63/14. Councillors Submissions –

- GAPTC review of Stroud District Council's charter - to be discussed in the July meeting.
- The date of the next meeting was discussed as to whether to alter the date to the 8th July there was general agreement to changing the date.
(Clerks note: the date of the July meeting has reverted back to the 1st July)

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.20 pm. The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall on **Tuesday 1st July 2014.**