



# 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 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Present:- Councillors R Bayliss (Chairman), J Bogdiukiewicz, G Davies, S Davies and S Lydon (arrived at 8.05pm).

Also Present:- District Cllr Nigel Studdert-Kennedy and Neighbourhood Warden Stuart Beard

### **Public Time**

Stuart Beard informed the Council that the Neighbourhood Wardens have been carrying out the Estate Inspections for the District Council and that they have also been seconded to carryout Car Park Enforcement duties.

The Members expressed some concern that this was a conflict of duties to the Neighbourhood Wardens community duties and that a Policy decision had been made without any consultation with the Town and Parish Council who make a financial contribution to the Neighbourhood Warden Service.

It will be necessary to monitor the situation and make representations to Stroud District Council if it is felt that the level of service to our community has been reduced.

**77/16. Apologies for absence:** Apologies were accepted from Cllr Chris Connett, Stuart Craddock and Phil Herbert.

### **78/16. Declarations of Interest in Agenda Items**

There were none.

### **79/16. To approve the minutes Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

*The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.*

### **80/16. To receive an update / reports from the County and District Councillors**

A report was received from Cllr Steve Lydon and has been circulated to Members. (See Appendix 1)

District Cllr Nigel Studdert-Kennedy informed the Members that the bin distribution has commenced for the new waste collection service, due to start in November.

## **81/16. Planning**

**i) To consider a response to S.16/1398/REM Mankley Field:** Approval of the reserved matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale from appeal APP/C1625/A/13/2207324 (S.13/1289/OUT) for 150 units, together with approval of conditions 5 - Code Level, 6 - Tree retention, 8 - Ecology mitigation strategy, 9 - Construction Method Statement, 11 - Surface water drainage, 13 - Vehicle parking and turning facilities, 14 - Highway Improvements, 19 - Details of recreation areas and 21 - Lighting strategy, plus a partial discharge of Condition 9.

A considerable amount of work has been undertaken since the Council met in July, especially by the Chairman Cllr Rob Bayliss. *The Members recorded a vote of thanks to the Chairman.*

The Chairman has circulated numerous reports from meetings with Barratt Homes, the Planning Officer and Drainage Officer at Stroud District Council; to all the Members prior to the meeting. The Chairman further circulated questionnaires and opening draft response (prior to the meeting) for discussion.

The Members had a very lengthy discussion on every aspect of the issues raised and the draft response. This included a formal vote by the members that they would not support any changes to the location of the proposed access points to the Mankley Field site should these be suggested by the developer in future.

*The Members approved a draft response which would allow for a few minor re-wordings at the discretion of the Chairman.*

**CHAIR**

The final version will be sent by the Clerk by the end of the week, and a copy issued to the Members. The Chairman and the Clerk will continue to raise questions where necessary.

**CLERK/CHAIR**

An update will also be included in the next village newsletter.

**CHAIR/CLERK**

## **ii) To consider any other plans received**

**S.15/2590/OUT** Brunsdon Yard Hybrid Planning Application for full planning permission for demolition of existing buildings and erection of a single storey Class A1 foodstore with parking spaces, access and landscaping. An outline planning permission for Class A1 retail terrace, drive through, access and landscaping.

*No further information has been made available; therefore the Council agreed to defer their decision.*

**S.16/1642/FUL** Belle Vue - Resubmission of withdrawn application S.16/1298/FUL - New dwelling to rear of garden area.

*The Council agreed to strongly object to this application for the following reasons:*

1. The proposed property will be too close to existing properties.
2. The proposed property will adversely affect the neighbouring properties and deprive them of light and privacy.

3. The site location is too small for these proposals.
4. There is a lack of reasonable amenity land.
5. There is a lack of adequate parking spaces; additional parking outside of the property is dangerous, as it is close to a sharp bend and will cause vehicles to swerve out, without the ability to see oncoming traffic.
6. The proposed access is too close to the bus stop.
7. This proposal is out of keeping with the character of the surrounding area.

**S.16/1853/LBC** Marsh Lodge – External Repairs.

*The Council agreed to support this application.*

**S.16/1903/COU** Former Saxon Church To West Of Priory House, Church Road - Change of use of building for use as event space (weddings, funeral wakes and private parties).

*The Council agreed to support this application if the following conditions are included:-*

1. That all parking connected with the use of the Former Saxon Church – should be on the hardstanding within the farm compound.
2. That time restrictions are placed on functions; so that residents neighbouring the farm should not be unduly disturbed.

**iii) To receive a progress report from the Clerk on applications already responded to**

**The following plans were withdrawn:-**

**S.16/1249/FUL** Knoll Cottage, Gypsy Lane - Erection of detached domestic outbuilding. Formation of new vehicular access. Change of use of land from agricultural to residential curtilage.

**S.16/1298/FUL** Belle Vue - erection of a 2 bedroom dwelling.

**The following plan has been refused:-**

**S.16/1581/TPO** Grange Croft, Bath Road – Fell Lime Tree.

**82/16. To receive a report from the Clerk:-**

**i) On the installation of the defibrillator (at the Village Hall)**

The unit has been installed and is awaiting confirmation that it can go live. Further signs will be erected around the village and training is to be arranged.

**83/16. To consider a draft letter; requesting funds from Gloucestershire County Council for improvements to the Village Hall – following the sale of Leaze Farm**

The Clerk circulated a draft letter prior to the meeting.

*The Members approved the letter.*

**84/16. To consider the options for S.106 monies (arising from the development at Chapel House).**

A sum of £1,438 is available from the development at Chapel House.

The Members considered the options available.

*It was agreed to request funds for smaller projects; to include updating the swing seats and more benches installed.*

**CLERK**

**85/16. To consider terms for the Village Champion award.**

After some debate, the following terms were agreed:-

1. No nominations will be considered for current Members of LSPC / or current LSPC Employees.
2. \*Members of the Council will have to declare an interest if they or their partner chose to nominate a candidate.
3. Nominees must have been a resident within the Parish of Leonard Stanley for at least 6 months in the period of November 2012 and November 2016.
4. No age limitations for either nominees or nominators.
5. No anonymous nominations will be considered.
6. Nominations must be in writing (but can be emailed).
7. Nominations must be received by the agreed cut-off date (tba).

To be advertised in the Leonard Stanley Newsletter, Leonard Stanley School Newsletter, Website and Notice boards.

**CLERK**

Members of Leonard Stanley Parish Council are to agree the overall winner/winners (\*with the exception of those who are required to Declare and Interest). In the event of a tie – the Chairman will have the overall vote.

**86/16. Financial Issues**

**j) To authorise payments in accordance with the RFO Report**

Summary of expenditure for August and September 2016:-

| <b>Description</b>    | <b>Total Paid Out</b> | <b>Power of Authority</b>  |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Administration        | £2221.63              | LGA 1972 s.112(2), LG (FP)A 1933 s.5, & LGA 1972 s.142.& LG & Rating Act 1997 s.31 |
| Playing Fields        | £1653.18              | LG(MP)A 1976 s.19(3)   |
| Village Maintenance   | £ 73.00               | Litter A 1983 ss.5,6 & Highways A 1980 s.96, Highways A 1980 ss.43.50.             |
| Pavilion              | £ 107.04              | LGA 1894 s.8(4).   |
|                       |                       |  |
| <b>Total Payments</b> | <b>£4054.85</b>       |  |

*The Council approved the accounts for payment.*

ii) **To receive confirmation of the approved Audit for the Financial year 2015/2016.**

To be deferred.

**CLERK**

**87/16. Correspondence** – The following items were highlighted:-

- Training for Councillors, to be held on 28<sup>th</sup> September at Painswick Town Hall.
- Various Seminars run by Stroud District Council.

**88/16. Councillors Submissions**

1. A reiteration of thanks to the Chairman Cllr Rob Bayliss; for the exceptional work he has done in regards to the Mankley Field application.
2. It was reported that the field up by The Knolls is being used to train Germany Shepherd dogs; and that several residents have now stopped using the footpath because of this. **NSK**
3. There is a Macmillan Coffee Morning to be held in the Village Hall on the 17<sup>th</sup> September.
4. An increase in dog fouling, especially in Marsh Road was reported. **CLERK**
5. Issues regarding parking at the end of The Street/Bath Road were highlighted; these are being reported to the police. **JB**
6. The Village Hall Management Committee and the Social Club have a meeting scheduled for next week. **JB/KH**
7. There have been reports of dogs on the Playing Fields whilst a children's event was in progress; those with the dogs stated they never saw the signs. **CLERK**

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10 pm.

The next **Parish Council Meeting** will be held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 7.30pm.

## **Appendix 1**

### **Steve Lydon Report for August 2016**

Mankley Field

Please see below the latest comms on the above from John Chaplin SDC Planner. Have asked for an update for our meeting on Tuesday.

Dear Cllr Lydon and Cllr Studdert-Kennedy

Further to your previous emails a quick update on the construction traffic related issue.

The appeal inspector added conditions requiring Construction Method Statement, routing and signage strategy to be agreed and limits on the hours of operations.

I have been in contact with Neil Troughton at GCC Highways and I feel it is limited what additional information we can require through the planning process but will look carefully at the details already required by the conditions.

I am in contact and dialog with the agent regarding this issue and have suggested further information includes details of the loading and unloading of plant and materials and to address what is likely to be the main issue what do construction and delivery vehicles do when they cannot access the site and have arrived early in Leonard Stanley.

For the benefits of both the local residents and the developer we have suggested they consider the provision of a layover facility and a commitment that delivery and construction drivers will be directed to this layby and phoned when the site can take delivery.

As Neil also suggested, to address obstruction of the highway etc. I have sort a commitment from the developer and main contractor that they will liaise with the Police and Parish on a regular basis to nip in the bud any issues before they get out of hand.

Regards,  
John Chaplin

Highways Local Councillor Summary - please see attached below the overview of this allocation for this financial year. Am keen to also support the further development of Greenway Cycle way from Uley through Dursley to Cam and Dursley station.

Cam and Dursley Station Transport Links- am keen to get all around the table ie bus, rail companies, local councils , cycle groups etc to agree an integrated approach to solving what is becoming a bigger problem ie car parking space at the station.

Future of Stroud Hospital- alongside other Labour Cllrs have raised my concern that the proposed cut of the overnight Minor Injuries Unit Service at the hospital, is a sign of future cuts in service. This raises the whole question of there being a long term future for the hospital. Have formally written to the fund

holders Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group and to Gloucestershire Care Services who run the community hospitals in the County raising this matter.

Skills Strategy - am keen that locally in Stroud District and across the County we have a clear vision for how best to ensure that In terms of the future we have an agreed clear view on what are local skill needs and how best to meet them. Successful employers in the area recognise the value of qualified, well motivated and rewarded staff . There is a clear need to ensure that all our people who are economically active are equipped with the right skills and knowledge to meet current and future skill needs. It is also important that whilst there is nominally low unemployment we look to look to reduce the number of people in work who rely on in work benefits to make ends meet.

Youth Funding- each County Cllr has a sum of £5k to allocate to support activities in their division. Please let me know if you have any projects etc that you would like to be considered.