

Minutes



LINDFORD PARISH COUNCIL Lindford Village Hall on Tuesday 1st September 2020.

Agenda used 19/08/2020 (Rev. 0)

Attendees: Cllrs G Biddiscombe (Chair), N Taylor, S Bennett, G Watt, E Keeling, H Dayman, S Banks Van Zyl, D Garnade.

Present: RFO T Hampshire, Clerk S Holden

062/20 Apologies Cllr D Barr

063/20 Declaration of interests Noted, noted Cllr N Taylor is no longer on the EHDC Planning Committee.

064/20 Planning
No new applications to consider. Cllr N Taylor has agreed to assist new members Cllrs E Keeling & H Dayman review the next appropriate planning application. Thanks to Cllr N Taylor for this.

065/20 Agree and sign minutes
Minutes proposed by Cllr G Watt and seconded by Cllr S Banks Van Zyl. Show of hands unanimous with those present in July. Signed and dated.

066/20 Public Discussions
Due to Covid-19 restrictions members of the public unable to attend. Requests for questions made in advance. None received.

067/20 Updates from District & County Councillors
Cllr Adam Carew not in attendance. Cllr N Taylor provided a detailed update. His family have recently moved to Bordon.
Explanation given to rational behind Cllr Taylors recent move from being an Independent to a member of the East Hants Liberal Democrat Group.
EHDC have launched a corporate strategy, climate strategy, the local plan strategy, wellness strategy with another 4 or 5 strategies all of which were felt confusing being released in quick succession. Changes to give the Leader Executive Powers and changes to councillor disqualification were detailed.
It was felt that video conferencing whilst be a necessity did expose some issues with the use of modern technology which may not give the appropriate image EHDC want to project.
Cllr G Biddiscombe thanked Cllr N Taylor for his comprehensive report to council.

068/20 Finance and Accounts (RFO) (10 mins)

- a. To receive and approve Receipts & Payments report to 31st August 2020, **previously circulated.**
- b. To receive and sign as approved, a list of payments made during July & August 2020 **previously circulated.**
- c. To receive and approve the bank statements and corresponding bank reconciliations at 31st July 2020, **previously circulated.**

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Members reviewed items a, b & c together. No queries. Proposed by Cllr D Garnade and seconded by Cllr G Watt. Show of hands, accepted unanimously. Signed & dated.

d. S.144 grant payment for tourism. Acknowledge payment.

Members agreed the payment of £100-00 grant money to Lindford resident for the upkeep of the village sign planters and upkeep of spring bulbs.

069/20 Parish Clerk Update

- Further to recent meeting with Thames Water regarding tanker traffic issues, they have now submitted an email detailing the drivers concerns using the current routing. The format is not that of a formal risk assessment and Clerk asked to follow up further with Thames Water.
- Himalayan Balsam has been reported on the riverbank (Lindford side) to the north side of the Parish. Landowners identified and registered offshore. Letter being written asking for removal of this invasive species.
- Security shutter in the kitchen has been repaired. Required a replacement motor assembly.
- Central Government via EHDC have issued a £10k loss of income payment following the Covid-19 pandemic lock down. This greatly improves forecast for the year.
- The National Joint Council has agreed a 2.75% pay increase back dated to 1st April 2020. Cllrs adopted the increment.
- Imadene Garden Ltd have reported the installation of the replacement children's 'springer small snail' on The Triangle playground requires specialist contractors. Playsafe Playgrounds have been asked to quote for the work. In addition, they have surveyed the wet pour on the playgrounds and to submit a quote for repair/replacement as appropriate. All future playground related repairs/replacements to be quoted for by specialist playground installation companies.
- Hall bookings have returned following the lifting of some restrictions. Gatherings are limited to 30 and Covid-19 Track & Trace requirements from hirers is in place. New cleaning equipment including a disinfectant fogging machine in place. New booking request for groups being received that exceed our ability to accept.
- Insurance renewal circulated to members and resolved to accept 3 year reduced fee insurance.

070/20 Open Spaces & Tree Updates Planning consent for works on TPO Oak trees on Mimosa Green received. TLC to carry out the works. Risk Assessment and insurance details on file. Works to be carried out 9th September. No works on the Maple at this time. A further tree survey shall be carried out to monitor condition.

Clerk enquired if there was open land suitable for wildlife gardens or other such projects to help our wild species. Members to consider and feedback next meeting. Land behind Five Acres suggested.

071/20 Christmas

In line with Covid restrictions on social gatherings, social distancing and face masks it was considered inappropriate to plan for a Christmas gathering at the village hall this year. Members agreed.

Members agreed to proceed with the display of Christmas decorations in the village. Previous decorations were discussed with pros and cons of each. Cllr E

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Keeling kindly agreed to work with other members to lead this project. Cllr G Biddiscombe to speak with Cllr D Barr to see if he would work on this project also. Cllr N Taylor has grant money remaining and would consider helping this project.

072/20 Playground repairs and Covid compliance reports

Cllr S Banks Van Zyl has submitted some weekly check sheets. Cllr D Barr to be asked to confirm his checks were satisfactory.

073/20 Feasibility study Bordon Green Loop

Cllr G Biddiscombe and other members had read through the report and made some comments. Unfortunately, a recent meeting to discuss with Cllr A Carew could not go ahead and to be rescheduled.

074/20 Thames Water Treatment update

See 069/20 above. Also, same comments as 073/00 meeting above.

075/20 Website accessibility and updates

After debating it was agreed to revamp the LPC website. Compliance with accessibility and other design issues to be considered. Clerk has been in discussion with our webmaster who is aware of the intentions. Thanks to her for the years of work maintaining and updating the existing pages.

Cllrs D Garnade and H Dayman had submitted details of web designers to the Clerk for consideration. It was agreed that Cllr H Dayman would research appropriate designers and feedback.

076/20 Village Design Statement & Parish Plan 2003

Members had been sent various planning related documents to review. With the Governments current White Paper on planning and developments in other areas it was agreed to produce a Neighbourhood Plan, using consultants and seeking grant money where possible. Cllrs N Taylor and D Garnade to review other local plans and pilot this project. Support to be made available. Photos and video footage could be combined between the plan and the website.

077/20 Correspondence

None

Meeting finished 7-55pm

Next meeting October 6th at 7pm