

MINUTES of the meeting of North Leigh Parish Council held in the Youth centre at the Memorial Hall on Thursday 14 July 2016 at 7.30 pm.

Present: S.Cusick, G. Matthews, I Hogg,, P.Lawrence, D. Fettes and J.Nicholson

In attendance: Lynda Scott, Clerk to the Council and five residents

1 Apologies: H.StJ, RR and CF

2 Declarations of interest: None

3 Minutes

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 June be approved as a true and correct record.

4 Matters Arising

(i) Play area lease (outstanding matter from APM)

The Clerk reported OCC have agreed to the Parish Council having a 20 year lease on the land where the Children's Play area is located, subject to a 5 year break on either side. Members discussed OCC's offer and asked the Clerk to confirm the annual cost of the new lease. OCC have indicated that this will be in the region of £60 pa but will confirm.

(ii) Local maps – HSt J will print off copies for distribution to councillors.

(iii) Flowerbeds at Windmill Height – WODC have weeded.

(iv) OCC Grass cutting

OCC has provided maps and details of the grant payable. Councillors to discuss further before agreement is reached.

5 Thames Valley Police Report

None received.

6 Planning Decisions:

Lightpipe Cottage, East End: Removal of condition 5 to allow Lightpipe Cottage and annex to become one dwelling. Approved

7 Planning Applications & Correspondence:

7.1 Working Group report

Church Mead, Church Road: formation of new vehicular access and entrance gate on to Church Road: no comments

Unit 7, Nursery Road: Change of use from office to two flats: comments submitted

Land north of New Yatt Road: residential development of up to 40 dwellings: comments/objection submitted

1 Chapel lane: Alterations including side extensions to reinstate single dwelling: no comments

Wilcote Manor: Amendments to previous approval: no comment

33 Common Road, erection of single storey front and two storey side extensions and single storey rear extension to link already converted garage to main house. Comments submitted

10 Bridewell Close, erection of timber framed car port. No comment

Stone gate, East End; demolition of existing double garage and replacement detached garage with ancillary accommodation. No comment

6 Cuckamus Green: new raised patio area above 300mm: No comment

7.2 Rectory Homes presentation

Paul Slater of Rectory Homes provided a conceptual overview and indicative proposals for 100+ dwellings on land at Witney Road, north of the A4095. The chairman explained that the Council would consult fully once a planning application had been submitted.

8 Finance

- 8.1 Accounts for payment:** approved: see attached.
- 8.2 Spend against budget report; approved:** see attached
- 8.3 New bank mandate** to be completed and signed off at the September meeting

9 Open Spaces Reports:

Received from IH and CF. IH will arrange with Bob Allsworth for replacement bark in the base of the zip wire prior to the ROSPA inspection in July.

10 Cemetery/ Churchyard

10.1 No report received.

11 Traffic & Roads Reports and other Highways Matters

11.1 Community speed watch

PL has arranged training for councillors and village volunteers on 17 July.

12 Election of representatives for the NL Youth project and the planning working group

RR expressed an interest in representing the Council on the NL Youth Project and the Clerk was asked to enquire re the frequency of its meetings. The Clerk has provided this information: waiting for a response from RR.

13 Appointment of new Clerk/RFO

Gabriele Kern will take up appointment on 1 August 2016.

14 Training for the new Clerk, new councillors and vice chairman

It was agreed that the Council would pay for the planned training

15 Consultation None

16 Correspondence None received

Any Other Business:

Date and time of next meeting: Thursday 8 September 2016 at 7.30 pm

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Chairman Date