

## MINUTES OF LYMPSHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019 \*\*\* DRAFT\*\*\*

**Councillors Present:** Mr. J. Hinton (Chairman), Miss H. Allsopp, Mrs. A. Bennett, Mr. B. Gooding, Mr. G. Tuttiett, Mr R Jones, Mr R Hoare.

**Minutes** were taken by the Clerk. Meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

### **Apologies and Declarations of Interest and Dispensations;**

County Cllr Mr R Filmer, District Cllr Mr A Gilling - Accepted. Cllr Tuttiett declared a personal interest in the Planning Application 31/19/00002.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting (21<sup>st</sup> January 2019):** Confirmed.

### **Planning Applications considered:**

**31/19/00002** Mr G Janes. Barn on land at Riverside, Eastertown, BS24 0HS. Proposed change of use and conversion of agricultural building under Class Q of part 3 to Schedule 2 of Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015. -No Observations.

**31/19/00003** Mr P Hicks. Meadgate Garage, Bridgwater Road, Lympsham, BS24 0BZ. Instavolt are proposing to install two rapid vehicle charging stations within the grounds of Jeff Brown's Garage, Lympsham. -Support.

**31/19/00004.** Mrs Pryke. 1, The Old Chapel, West Road, Lympsham, BS24 0EG. Proposed construction of enclosed porch to main entrance and installation of new door to garden. -Support.

**31/19/00005TP** Mr and Mrs Palmer, Beavers Lodge Farm, Lympsham Road, BS24 0DE. Extension and alteration to Bungalow to form first floor, single storey extension to rear (East) elevation and erection of a detached two storey garage. - Extension to bungalow supported, however the large two storey garage raised concerns as to position, being close to front of the plot ( and road), which could potentially hinder any future proposed footpath.

### **Affordable Housing:**

( **Beavers Lodge Site**) Housing Needs Assessment Form was mentioned and noted would be shortly going out to all residents.

### **Finance Report and to approve payments for February 2019.**

**C/A: £ 8952.29          S/A: £1436.31          Petty Cash: £37.59          VAT: £ 359.00          Player Mason AC: £ 2405.97**

Cheques approved February 2019; 101730 Clerk salary and Quarterly Expenses £585.73; 101731 White House Kennels (Dog bin servicing ) £96.00

### **Reports : (to receive reports on the following matters)**

- **Neighbourhood Watch:** Rural crime locally was reported. Instances of theft of power tools and reports of suspicious white van in Brent Knoll and Berrow. Chairman reported a telephone scam from a Company which turned out to be selling alarms.
- **Lympsham C OF E Academy & Pre-school:** Head teacher had reported to Clerk that the signs for the new Flashing lights were confusing as they implied the speed limit was 20 mph only at times of Flashing. Clerk was able to confirm this was an error, and Transport had replaced them with the new correct signs. It was noted that the actual lights were still not in place, but Clerk has been assured this is imminent. Clerk waiting on information from Academy regarding the proposed Pre-school sign to check if Planning is required.
- **Manor Hall:** Nothing of note to report.  
(The meeting was adjourned at 8.30pm and reopened again at 8.50pm)
- **Highways:** County Cllr R Filmer is still following up the speed consultation on the A370, and has spoken to CarBase regarding the light pollution/ glare from their forecourt lighting .Cllr Tuttiett and Cllr Hoare both thought the light pollution was unacceptable from the Eastertown side (behind the garage).
- **Play Area:** Cllr Bennett was thanked for her report. The Clerk reported that following her training it transpires that a weekly check is necessary. She is happy to do this, and Cllr Bennett will still give a written report each month at the Council meeting. It was reported that some tree work would be required in the Play area, Cllr Gooding to approach tree surgeon for a quote.
- **Ground Maintenance and General Maintenance Issues:** Cllr Jones reported that a couple of dead elm trees had fallen in the area of Copse Corner, Eastertown. These had very kindly been taken care of by Ms Prowton. Thanks were given to her for sorting this matter, and the Chairman asked the Clerk to convey this message. Cllr Bennett had reported damaged signs to Highways and they had been replaced. The defibrillator sign had been partially hidden by ivy and become unattached; Cllr Gooding and the Clerk had managed to remedy this.
- **Drainage Issues:** Cllr Gooding reported that the rhyme had been cleaned out, and Sewerage works were on-going. He is arranging the clearing of the ditch in front of Manor Farm.
- **Footpaths:** Clerk reported that she had been working with a resident to combat the amount of dog mess on the footpaths around the village by means of a chalk based spray paint to highlight To residents that the issue was being monitored. Further signage has also been put in place.
- **Village Events:** The rugby Six Nations Championship which was screened at the Sports Club had been well attended. Cllr Allsopp reported that 'Love Lympsham' is planning Easter Events, and there is an Antiques Fair planned in March also at the Sports Club. The Chairman reported that he had yet to make contact with the owner of the land being looked at as a possible Community Area, he was hoping to be successful this month.
- **County and District report:** No report this month as Councillors were unable to attend due to previous commitments.
- **Clerk Report:** The Clerk had attended a full day training course aimed at New Clerks and shared some of the information she had received with the Members. The Agenda format had been changed slightly in order to reflect this. It was asked that Councilors' forward items for inclusion by the Monday of the week before the next meeting. The Agenda is finalized and sent out on the Tuesday to meet Statutory requirements .An Asset Register needs to be compiled, Clerk to action. Clerk to review Risk Assessment Policy and ensure each member receives a Code of Conduct. The meeting date for May would need to be altered as this is an Election year, this will now take place on 13<sup>th</sup> May. The Clerk informed the Members that the Electoral Role updated in December now stood at 757.

- **Correspondence:** GigaClear had asked to be able to brief the Council on Broadband options and forthcoming road closures, this was agreed by all Members .Clerk will approach and offer them a slot at March meeting. A resident had asked that TrueSpeed have the same opportunity, and Clerk will approach and offer time at meeting in April.

**The meeting closed at 9.35pm.**