

Loders Parish Council

Minutes from the Meeting of Loders Parish Council held at Loders Village Hall on Tuesday 21st September 2021 at 7.00pm

Present:

Councillors: Michele Warrington (*Chair*)
Geoff May (*Vice Chair*)
Julie Bryce
David Last
Ros Newberry
David Pullan
Tony Alford (*Dorset Council*)

Officer: Joanne Hughes (*Clerk*) - via Zoom **Public:** 3

Apologies: David Cannon, Peter Nardone, Stephen Tilton

Cllr Warrington welcome everyone to the meeting and explained that due to Covid (a family member self-isolating) the Clerk was accessing the meeting from home via Zoom.

8124. To receive apologies for absence

Recorded.

8125. Declarations of interest or grants of dispensation

Cllr Newberry regarding the outline planning application P/OUT/2021/01788 - land to South West of Home Farm Close.

8126. To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 20th July 2021 and sign the same

Proposed Cllr D Pullan **Seconded Cllr R Newberry** **Resolved**

8127. Matters arising for information only

Regarding minute 8110 of the 20th July minutes, Cllr Warrington asked Cllr Alford if he could enquire if there is any obligation on Agents or Applicants to notify neighbouring properties in relation to planning applications. Cllr Alford agreed to make enquiries.

8128. Democratic Forum

Cllr Warrington congratulated Cathy Riggs on winning the Best Kept Allotment Award 2021 and awarded her the Cup.

Two members of the public attended the meeting in relation to agenda item 9. iii the outline planning application for land to South West of Home Farm Close, Uploders and raised a number of concerns with the application including village sprawl, unsuitable site, flooding concerns, location sits outside the defined development boundary and is contrary to other Loders Neighbourhood Plan policies.

Three members of public left the meeting.

8129. Councillor Vacancy

Following the resignation of Cllr McCrindle, the Clerk confirmed that Dorset Council had been informed of the vacancy which can be filled by co-option after 5th October.

Cllr Warrington expressed her thanks, on behalf of the Council, to Cllr McCrindle for her generous contribution to the Parish Council over the past months and sent her best wishes for the future.

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8130. Dorset Council - Report Cllr Tony Alford

Cllr Alford had previously circulated a report providing an update from Dorset Council including:

- Dorset Rights of Way Improvement Plan consultation;
- Effects of the HGV driver shortage having an impact on Dorset Council's waste collection services;
- Planning services are struggling with demand;
- Dorset Council are developing a Bus Service Improvement Plan in response to the Government's National Bus Strategy - Bus Back Better;
- Blue Badge survey closes 26th September.

8131. Finance

i. To authorise receipts and payments due

The following payments for September 2021 were approved in line with internal controls:

Receipts		Detail	Amount
Payments	Voucher No	Detail	Amount
Mrs J Hughes	1178	Salary/Expenses	667.10
HMRC	1179	PAYE	7.00
R Newberry	1180	Stakes for Allotment Fence	22.27
DAPTC	1181	Clerk & Councillor Training	30.00
Wessex Grounds Services	1182	Grounds Maintenance (Jul)	77.58
PKF Littlejohn	1183	External Audit	240.00
Mrs J Hughes	1184	Salary/Expenses	646.00
HMRC	1185	PAYE	6.80
Wessex Grounds Services	1186	Grounds Maintenance (Aug)	77.58
Loders Village Hall	1187	PC Meeting 6 th Aug & 21 st Sept	32.00

Bank balance as at 21st September **£28,492.44**

Proposed Cllr D Pullan

Seconded Cllr D Last

Resolved

ii. Monthly finance reports

The Clerk provided Councillors with a summary report of the year-to-date position (September 2021) against the budget and a report of the movement on fund balances to 21st September 2021.

iii. To progress additional signatories for the Parish Council bank account

As the Clerk was not present at the meeting and Cllr Tilton had sent his apologies, the final paperwork for the bank account signatories will be progressed at the October meeting.

iv. To consider report from FWG for potential projects for the parish CIL money

The Clerk had previously circulated the FWG report for potential projects for the parish CIL money and the following proposals were put forward:

- 1) To spend £3,040 of CIL money on the nest carousel for the play area.

Proposed Cllr M Warrington

Seconded Cllr D Pullan

Resolved

- 2) To have a long-term plan for the future replacement of the play area equipment that will enable the council to raise funds and apply for match funding.

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grow organic crops on land in the parish. At this stage, the proposal is in the early stages and is for information only.

8133. Council Property

To consider and agree any actions in relation the Parish Council property:

i. Cemetery

- Hedge laying with Dorset Wildlife Trust - Clerk awaiting a response from the DWT.
- New bench - Clerk confirmed she is awaiting a response from the Loders Parochial Church Council with regards to a donation towards a new bench for the cemetery.

ii. Allotments

- Best kept allotment award - see minute 8128.
- Trees growing on plots - Cllr Newberry confirmed that the trees are still growing on the plots. Clerk to send a follow up letter. Cllr Newberry also confirmed that a couple of the plots are looking untidy and that two fence posts need replacing which Cllrs Newberry and Pullan will do.

iii Playing Field

- To receive an update on the installation costs of the new equipment for Well Plot Play Area - the Clerk had previously circulated three quotes to install the next carousel. It was agreed by all to progress with the lowest quote.

Proposed Cllr D Pullan

Seconded Cllr R Newberry

Resolved

- Report on current problems with unsafe fencing - The Clerk had previously circulated the Play Area Quarterly Inspection Report which detailed the costs to replace the unsafe fencing. It was agreed by all to accept the quote for the work to be undertaken.

Proposed Cllr D Pullan

Seconded Cllr J Bryce

Resolved

- As the play area fence will require full replacement in the not-too-distant future, Cllr Pullan proposed that the Clerk obtain three quotes to replace all the fencing of the play area to assist with the long-term plans for the play area.

Proposed Cllr D Pullan

Seconded Cllr J Bryce

Resolved

- The Inspection Report also detailed the costs to supply new open net clips and easy wraps for the goal nets. Agreed by all to accept the quote to supply only and Cllr Pullan will fix to the nets.

Proposed Cllr D Pullan

Seconded Cllr J Bryce

Resolved

8134. Footpaths and Rights of Way

Cllr Cannon had previously circulated the following RoW report:

FP7 (Cherry Lane) - Cllr Cannon was notified of a broken plank on the bridge over the River Asker on Sunday 29th August which was immediately reported to Dorset Council (MNT53797) and it was fixed the same day.

BR11 (New St Lane) - a working party was initiated by a resident on Thursday 26th August to cut back encroaching vegetation and remove muddy patches along New Street Lane. Cllr Cannon and the Council are very grateful to all those involved.

FP32 (Church Lane) - Cllr Cannon thanked Dorset Highways for the remodelling of the road at the top of Church Lane in order to prevent rain water causing erosion down Church Lane.

FP32 (Church Lane) - a resident notified Cllr Cannon of a broken plank on the bridge over the River Askers on Sunday 29th August. It was immediately reported to Dorset Council (MNT53682) who informed Cllr Cannon that they had replaced the plank on Tuesday 31st August.

FP37 (Yellow Lane to Bradpole) - Cllr Cannon requested that before the PC make a decision about dog fouling signs to be aware that the signage bought for FP9 (across Well-Plot playing field)

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generated some objection which was resisted as dog-fouling where children play is particularly inappropriate.

RoW Map - agreed for Clerk to make RoW map more accessible and visible on council website.

RoW Survey - Cllr Pullan suggested that the Climate & Ecological Emergency Working Group look at The RoW survey (deadline 31st October) in relation to improving the footpath from Yellow Lane to Bradpole and bring a proposal to the October PC meeting on 19th October.

8135. Roads, Transport and Drains

- Waddon Way - Cllr Alford to chase Dorset Council for an update.
- Gribb Farm, Shipton Road - the Clerk confirmed that the road alongside Gribb Farm project has been moved to a new Design Engineer at Dorset Council and currently there is no further update.
- Track at Loders Hall/31a Main Street, Loders - the remodelling work at the top of the track has taken place to stop rain water causing further erosion down the track.
- Yellow Lane safety signage and damaged verge - Clerk still awaiting an update from Dorset Highways.
- New Road drain - Cllr Last to inform Cllr Alford of the drain number on New Road, Uploders along with the Dorset Council job reference number as the drain issue has still not been resolved.

8136. Unitary Authority

i. Update from DAPTC

- to consider adopting the new Code of Conduct - the Clerk had previously circulated the new Code of Code which was agreed by all that the council should adopt.

Proposed Cllr M Warrington

Seconded Cllr D Pullan

Resolved

- Dorset Council new Register of Interests Procedure and Complaints Procedure - the Clerk to check if Cllrs Tilton and Nardone have completed the new ROI training and to provide details to Cllr Newberry who also needs to complete the training. Both the new ROI procedure and Complaints Procedure will be discussed again at the October meeting as the deadline for Councillors to complete their ROI is 31st October.

- DAPTC Western Area meeting - Cllr Bryce attended the DAPTC meeting and provided Councillors with an overview of the meeting which covered issues with planning, pay to park issues and lack/late communication from Dorset Council i.e., the latest bus strategy workshop.

- DAPTC/AGM - the AGM is scheduled for 13th November via Zoom.

ii. Update from BLAP - Nothing to update. Cllr May will be attending the next meeting.

iii. Dorset Council Community Governance Review

- Shipton Gorge PC boundary change request - proposal previously circulated by the Clerk; proposal agreed by all.

Proposed Cllr R Newberry

Seconded Cllr D Last

Resolved

- Bradpole PC suggestion put forward by Loders Parish Council - proposal previously circulated by the Clerk; proposal agreed by all.

Proposed Cllr R Newberry

Seconded Cllr D Pullan

Resolved

- Bothenhampton & Walditch PC general enquiry - no proposals put forward on either side.

- Completion of Dorset Council Community Governance Review Consultation Response Form - to be completed at the October PC meeting.

8137. River Asker Improvement Project

The Clerk had previously circulated the River Asker report. There is some concern that the project has lost impetus due to Covid and interest therefore needs to be refocused. It was agreed to invite Ian Rees to the next Climate & Ecological Emergency meeting. Cllr May to arrange.

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8138. Climate and Environment Issues

To consider and agree any actions in relation to the Loders Parish Council Climate & Ecological Emergency

- i. Natural Assets - Cllr Bryce confirmed that the hedging and saplings are being delivered the first two weeks of November. A planting date has been set for Saturday 20th November and volunteers are being asked to contact the Clerk if interested in helping out. Cllr Bryce requested that the Clerk carry out the utilities underground check. Landowner's list and letter to be discussed at the October PC meeting.
- ii. Transport - no update.
- iii. Renewables - Cllr May provided an overview of the meeting that recently took place with Low Carbon Dorset and is currently writing up the notes of the meeting.
- iv. Making it Happen - Cllr Warrington has been put in touch with the Litton Parish Council climate person and will be liaising with them on 'making it happen'.

8139. Communications

- i. Broadband - notes of meeting with Jurassic Fibre circulated to all. Nothing further to report at this stage.

8140. Training & Development

- i. Councillors Register of Interests Training - see minute 8136 i. Cllr Warrington also reminded Councillors in relation to the new Code of Conduct that all Councillors must when acting on behalf of Loders Parish Council copy in the Clerk and Chairman in on all email communications.
- ii. Update from the Clerk re. CILCA training course - the Clerk confirmed that she has two learning outcomes to complete before the 1st October deadline.

8141. To review correspondence received

None.

8142. Website and Eggardon & Colmers View

Parish Council vacancy, Nest Carousel, New Street Lane Working Party thank you, River Asker plans.

8143. Agenda items for next meeting

Register of Interests, RoW survey.

Meeting closed at 10.05pm

Chairman _____

Date _____