

Loders Parish Council

Minutes from the Meeting of Loders Parish Council held at Loders Village Hall on Tuesday 19th October 2021 at 7.00pm

Present:

Councillors: Michele Warrington (*Chair*)
Geoff May (*Vice Chair*)
Julie Bryce
David Cannon
David Last

Ros Newberry
David Pullan
Stephen Tilton
Tony Alford (*Dorset Council*)

Officer: Joanne Hughes (*Clerk*)

Public: 1

Apologies: Peter Nardone

8144. To receive apologies for absence

Recorded.

8145. Declarations of interest or grants of dispensation

None.

8146. To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2021 and sign the same
Proposed Cllr D Last Seconded Cllr R Pullan Resolved

8147. Matters arising for information only

Regarding minute 8132 of the 21st September minutes, Cllr Warrington advised that concerns had been raised by residents regarding the 'Growing Project in Loders Parish proposal' following a hand delivered letter to residents from the project proposer. Clerk to circulate the concerns received to all Councillors.

8148. Democratic Forum

Cllr Warrington welcomed a resident to the meeting who was keen to sit in on the meeting to see how the Parish Council operates with a view to possibly joining the Parish Council.

8149. Councillor Vacancy

The Clerk confirmed that the vacant seat on the Council can now be filled by co-option. Cllr Warrington requested that Councillors think about possible suitable candidates to fill the vacant seat.

8150. Dorset Council - Report Cllr Tony Alford

Cllr Alford provided the following update from Dorset Council:

- Bridport Household Recycling Centre are now operating winter opening hours and are looking at changes to the operating hours so that it will open an hour earlier during the winter months and close an hour earlier in the summer months;
- The leader of Dorset Council has had a reshuffle of Councillors details of which can be found on the Dorset Council website;
- Dorset Council and BCP Council have appointed Consultants to manage the Local Heritage List Campaign, which will enable communities across Dorset to nominate locally important buildings, sites, monuments and features to be included on new Local Heritage Lists;

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that the Parish Council have no objections to the proposal provided the boundary with the neighbouring property is respected which is a matter for the owner of Bell Farm.

- iv. P/HOU/2021/01858/59 Loders Hall, Main Street, Loders DT6 3SA - no update.
- v. P/OUT/2021/01788 Land to South West of Home Farm Close - no update.
- vi. WD/D/20/003146 Church Farm Bungalow, Loders - the Clerk confirmed that the application has been withdraw and an update as to what this means is awaited from Dorset Council.

8153. Council Property

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

i. Cemetery

- Hedge laying with Dorset Wildlife Trust - date confirmed as Friday 12th November 10am-3pm. Advert to appear in the Eggardon & Colmers View requesting volunteers.
- New bench - Clerk to obtain quotes for a new bench for the cemetery.

ii. Allotments

- Trees growing on plots - The Clerk confirmed that the trees had been removed from one plot and a follow up email had been sent to the other plot with the tenant confirming the trees would be removed by the end of the month. Cllr Newberry confirmed that the failing fence posts have been replaced.

iii Playing Field

- Nest Carousel installation for Well Plot play area - the Clerk confirmed that the order for the nest carousel has been placed. A date for installation has not yet been confirmed.
- Unsafe fencing at Well Plot play area - the Clerk confirmed that Mr Hussey will be undertaking the repairs by the end of the month.

8154. Footpaths and Rights of Way

- Cllr Cannon provided the following RoW update:

FP24 (Jordan Valley) - the path up to the valley is still outstanding a self-closing gate. Cllr Cannon to follow up with Russell Goff.

FP30 (Yonderover to Bar Lane) - a number of access barriers exist along this RoW. Cllr Cannon to ask Russell Goff for support to deal with this ongoing issue.

FP38 (Highacres to New Street Lane) - a collapse has occurred just above the steps from New Street Lane which Cllr Cannon has reported to Dorset Council and will monitor.

- Dorset Council Rights of Way Improvement Plan Review Consultation - the Clerk had previously circulated the draft response made by Cllr Cannon on behalf of the Parish Council which after some discussion was finalised and will be submitted by Cllr Cannon. In addition, it was agreed for Cllr Cannon to speak to Russell Goff about the need for FP37 (Yellow Lane to Bradpole) to be upgraded to enable active travel between Loders and Bridport.

- RoW Map - Cllr Cannon thanked the Clerk for making the RoW map more accessible and visible on the Parish Council website.

8155. Roads, Transport and Drains

- Waddon Way - there is no current progress with Waddon Way.
- Gribb Farm, Shipton Road - no update.
- Yellow Lane safety signage and damaged verge - the Clerk confirmed that a slippery road sign has been agreed for the top of Yellow Lane and is on the job list but is not classed as high priority.
- New Road drain - Cllr Last confirmed that he met with Dorset Highways regarding the blocked drain on New Road which has been located and cleared.

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Cllr Alford left the meeting at 8.30pm.

8156. Unitary Authority

- i. Update from DAPTC
 - Dorset Council new Register of Interests Procedure and Complaints Procedure - the Clerk confirmed that emails have been circulated to all Councillors for the completion of the online ROI which must be completed by 31st October. Clerk to use the Parish Council email address to enable Cllr Newberry to complete an online ROI.
- ii. Update from BLAP - Cllr May attended the latest meeting which covered three main areas:
 - 1) Future of BLAP and future funding;
 - 2) Communications between parish councils and Dorset Council;
 - 3) Bus Back Better - Dorset Council are looking for representatives from town & parish councils.
- iii. Dorset Council Community Governance Review
 - Completion of Dorset Council Community Governance Review Consultation Response Form - Clerk to complete on behalf of the Parish Council.

8157. River Asker Improvement Project

- An electrofishing demonstration event took place on the river bank at Well Plot in September which was well attended.
- Cllr Pullan confirmed that the riverfly group will be meeting soon to look at the results of the riverfly monitoring.

Cllr Tilton left the meeting at 9.00pm.

8158. 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 asked Councillors (and any contacts) to let her know if they are available on 20th November to help out with the hedge planting scheme at Well Plot, ideally, 15 volunteers will be needed. Cllr Newberry agreed to provide cow and straw muck and Cllr Bryce confirmed she will hire a turf remover from Fowlers at an approximate cost of £40. Confirmed that the landowner's letter will be agreed at the next C&EE Working Group meeting.
- ii. Transport - Cllr Cannon provided a brief update on the four transport priority areas of non-road route, public transport, car sharing and electric vehicles.
- iii. Renewables - Cllr May provided a brief update on the renewables section of the action plan which confirmed that the carbon footprint of the Parish Council is negligible and that a community event will be required to consider householder strategies to improve householder energy efficiency and recycling.
- iv. Making it Happen - Cllr Warrington confirmed that a clear communication strategy will be needed to keep parishioners up to date with progress and will be the main agenda item for the next C&EE Working Group meeting. Cllr Cannon to circulate his initial communications ideas to the C&EE Working Group and the Clerk to be involved.

8159. Communications

- i. Broadband - no update.

8160. Training & Development

- i. Update from the Clerk re. CILCA training course - the Clerk confirmed that she has now completed CiLCA and is a qualified Clerk. Clerk to look into requirements for General Power of Competence.

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8161. To review correspondence received

None.

8162. Website and Eggardon & Colmers View

Re-register for housing register, cemetery hedge laying, grant for cemetery bench, River Asker fish survey, Clerk CiLCA qualified.

8163. Agenda items for next meeting

None.

Meeting closed at 9.25pm

Chairman _____

Date _____

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