

The Minutes of Lindridge Parish Council.
Wednesday 13th July 2011 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall

Present: Cllr M K J Hunt, Cllr N J Benbow, Cllr Mrs A V Winwood, Cllr Mrs G Sandon, Cllr S P Woodall, Cllr H Williams, Cllr Mrs T Lowe.

In Attendance: Cllr K Pollock.

PC26. Receive apologies and approve reasons for absence

None.

PC27. Declare personal or prejudicial interest in any agenda item

No declarations.

PC28. Consider the adoption of the minutes of the Annual Meeting

The minutes were adopted and signed.

PC29. Receive progress reports for information from:

Apologies were received from Cllr Redman.

County Councillor – Cllr Pollock reported that preliminary work on the outside and underneath of the Teme Bridge at Tenbury will start in the autumn. Assurances have been given that the bridge will not be closed until the New Year. Pedestrian access to cross the river will be provided. The Worcestershire County Council Corporate Plan had now been approved and was on the WCC website for viewing. The four key areas of focus for the Council were: 1. Open for Business 2.Children and Families 3.The Environment and 4.Health and Wellbeing. Cllr Pollock also reported on the Worcestershire Councillors' Divisional Fund Scheme. Each Worcestershire County Councillor will be allocated £10,000 from 1st August 2011. It is intended that this money should be for the economic, social or environmental well being of the Division, but there is a wide range of activities and services that can be supported. Full details of the scheme can be read on the Worcestershire County Council website, under the Agenda for the Council meeting on 30th June 2011, item 5a, Appendix 2, pages 9 – 13. Finally, the Council had completed plans for replacement bus services. The community based transport system intended to act as a permanent replacement for the current subsidised services.

Representative for Lindridge Parish Hall – Cllr Mrs Sandon reported that the last meeting held was in July and it was also the AGM. The floor has now been restored and has a damp course. All costs met by the insurance claim from Severn Trent. Keith Baker audited the accounts. Recent fundraising events have been very successful and raised in excess of £750 approximately. All work has been completed on the disabled toilets. No further action as yet on the eco-energy audit.

Parish Footpath Warden – Cllr Mrs Sandon reported that she has inspected some walks that apparently were blocked at the point of the old Leominster canal route by Wharf House and had obtained agreement from Phil Coulson to change the fingerpost sign to read that it is a cul de sac. Following the removal of the timber from Menith Wood the footpaths were obscured and way marking had disappeared. Abbey Forestry had been contacted and they would make good the paths using chip bark. Cllr Mrs Sandon had

arranged for the fingerposts to be replaced. Repairs were waiting to be done. Cllr Mrs Sandon was recently accompanied by Cllr Benbow and walked some of the footpaths in Lower Frith. One footpath was identified where residents had let their hedges grow over and into the footpath. This had been reported to Phil Coulson. Other paths were inspected and found to be in good order. One path which had been signed as “no thoroughfare” would now be signposted “permissive path” as it had a well maintained and easier alternative route to the proper route on the definitive map, which was currently overgrown. The recent parish survey of the paths were put onto the website, however, this was proving to be very slow and not that useful.

Councillors –

Cllr Mrs Lowe thanked Cllr Mrs Sandon for her help and support with the noise problem associated with the Moto X.

Cllr Mrs Winwood reported that the Councillor Training Days attended were very informative and helpful.

Cllr Mrs Sandon reported that local residents from Cutmill Bridge had encountered unreasonable behaviour from residents living in accommodation owned by Marches Housing Association. The Parish Council were to write to Marches Housing Association to seek further advice.

Cllr Williams reported that part of the Lower Frith Common road had large cracks appearing and that attention to the problem was required. Clerk to contact Highways.

Cllr Hunt reported that several residents in Menith Wood had received correspondence from Severn Trent concerned with the proposal to adopt “Private Sewers”. The inadequate wording had caused confusion and unnecessary worry to some residents. Cllr Hunt wrote to Severn Trent outlining this and asked if they could issue further clarification to allay concerns that were being caused.

Clerk – The Clerk reported that two quotes had been obtained for the purchase of a laptop, and Members asked the Clerk to proceed with order. The Clerk thanked Cllr Hunt and Cllr Benbow for erecting the new Parish noticeboard. The Clerk reported that the HMRC set up was all now complete and up and running. The Clerk discussed that a revised standing order would need to be set up to account for tax deduction from monthly salary payment. This was agreed and signed by Cllr Hunt and Cllr Benbow. The Clerk also thanked Cllr Mrs Sandon for helping Mr John Lakeman the Neighbourhood Watch Representative for helping at Lindridge Show with the display of Smartwater. It was agreed to order new signs for the Parish.

PC30. Public Open Space Grant Money – Cllr Hunt reported that a survey had been carried out by the Trustees of the Menithwood Millennium Green. A final report would be received at the next Parish Council Meeting.

PC31. 2011 Parish Awards – Cllr Williams reported that one nomination had been received. However, the view of the Parish Awards Committee was to hold the Award over until 2012. An explanatory note would be submitted for Temespan in the hope that more nominations might come forward.

PC32. Garden Competition – The Clerk reported that everything was in order for the judging on 17th July. Cllr Hunt would meet Mr Morris Brazier in the morning and attend gardens in Eardiston and Menith Wood. Cllr Benbow would meet after lunch and view gardens in Frith Common. Cllr Hunt and Cllr Mrs Lowe judged the children’s competition at Lindridge School, which was once again very popular. The Awards evening was planned for Thursday 22nd September.

PC33. Emergency Storage Shed – Cllr Woodall reported that the emergency shed would be sited and assembled on 23rd July. All emergency items purchased would then be housed there. A practice run would then be organised by the Emergency Team.

PC34. Implications of County Public Transport Review – Cllr Hunt reported and discussed this item whilst Cllr Pollock was giving his review to Members. Cllr Hunt asked if concessionary rates on bus passes be used and also, if under the Community Transport Scheme, more people could be taken in one vehicle. Cllr Hunt suggested that the County Council could be more creative on this issue with how the transport is currently operated. One problem is that not enough volunteer drivers are available in the Teme Valley area.

PC35. Check, agree and minute accounts – Cllr Woodall and Cllr Williams signed, checked and agreed accounts.

a)	Miss R S Lambert, Parish Clerk, Salary – May 2011	£240.58
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Accounts Unpaid

b)	Miss R S Lambert, Parish Clerk, Salary – June 2011	£ 96.58
c)	Mr P Danby, Parish Lengthsman, Exps for May 2011	£ 96.00
d)	Miss R S Lambert, Parish Clerk, Exps for May & June 2011	£124.40
e)	Lindridge Parish Hall Committee – Parish Meeting – 11/05/11 And interest earned from National Saving A/C last 2 yrs.	£ 43.41
f)	Worcestershire CALC – 20 th Edn. Parish Councillors Guide & Councillor Training for Mrs A Winwood, Clerks Gathering	£177.05
g)	TVN PCC St. Lawrence, Lindridge – Table Stand @ Lind. Show	£ 10.00
h)	C Baker – Internal Review of Accounts 2010 and 2011	£ 85.00
i)	Mrs T Lowe – Prize Awards for Children’s Competition	£ 57.32
j)	Post Office Ltd - HM Revenue & Customs Payment for April, May and June 2011 Tax Deductions from Clerks Salary	£144.00

PC36. Review planning matters, applications and decisions

Planning Application Number: 11/00195/FUL
Relocation of liquid nitrogen bulk storage on the botanix site.
The Moor, Eardiston, Worcestershire, WR15 8JJ
PLANNING PERMISSION APPROVAL

Planning Application Number: 11/00336/LBC
Removal of existing cementitious render and replacement with breathable lime render.
PLANNING APPROVAL

Planning Application Number: 11/00058/HOU
Erection of a garage and formation of a new access. 5 Lower Frith Common, Eardiston,
WR15 8JU
PLANNING APPROVAL

Planning Application Number: 11/00238/HOU
Solar Array Installation in Garden plus Fencing (Retrospective)
Chestnut View Cottage, Frith Common, WR15 8JX
PLANNING APPROVAL

Planning Application Number: 11/00577/CPU
Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed use for the erection of single storey home office. 5
Lower Frith Common. R O'Hare.

Planning Application Number: 11/00761/LBC
Internal alterations to facilitate fourth bedroom at Lambswick, Lindridge.
NO COMMENT

Planning Application Number: 11/0756/FUL
Proposed detached double garage and store, including extending the limit of the existing
domestic cartilage. Bramley House, Newnham Bridge.
NO COMMENT

PC37. Report on Matters Arising from Last Meeting

Cllrs Hunt and Benbow installed new noticeboard on the Broom Bank.

PC38. Correspondence for information

- a) Letter sent to Mr Rod Reynolds, Safer Roads Partnership Manager.
- b) Letter received from Mr Steve Wood, Operations Manager of Safer Roads Partnership. – Cllr Hunt and Clerk to write to Mr Ken Dicken of Worcestershire County Council to discuss the modifications to speed limit and buffer zone in Eardiston.
- c) Letter sent to Councillor W Redman.
- d) Email received from Cllr K Pollock – Bus Services in Lindridge and Menith Wood.
- e) Letter received from MHDC – Publication of Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) update and invite to briefing.
- f) Email from MHDC, Duncan Rudge – Planning Services Supporting Parish and Town Council's in the Development Control Process. Cllr Mrs Winwood highlighted to Members Paragraph 7 – "Discharge of Condition Information". Cllr Hunt, Cllr Mrs Sandon and Cllr Mrs Winwood were attending a planning meeting at Great Witley hosted by Mr Duncan Rudge on Thursday 14th July. This concern would be raised then and feedback provided at next Parish Council Meeting.

PC39. Items for future agendas

- a) Open Space Grant Money
- b) Garden Competition

PC40. Items for Teme Span and next meeting date

- Date of Next Meeting and website link to view minutes and events in Parish.
- Parish Awards
- Parish Council Vacancy
- Footpaths Survey

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 7th September 2011 at 7.30pm at the Parish Rooms, Eardiston.

The meeting ended at 10.15p.m.