

Minutes of Lindridge Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 17th January 2018 at Lindridge Parish Hall, Eardiston

Present: Cllr Mrs A Winwood, Cllr S Workman, Cllr N J Benbow, Cllr D Evans, Cllr H Williams, Cllr Mrs G Hazeldine, Cllr Miss De Laurier

In Attendance: Cllr C Dell, Miss A De Laurier

The Parish Council had received a prior application from Miss De Laurier to join the Parish Council. At the beginning of the meeting, this had been discussed in her absence and was unanimously agreed to co-opt. Declarations were then signed and Miss De Laurier then became a member of the Parish Council.

The Chairman welcomed new Member Mrs Hazeldine.

PC67. Receive Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mrs K Pardoe and Cllr Mrs T Lowe both due to sickness.

Cllr K Pollock

PC68. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest

Cllr Evans declared that he was applying for freehold of land adjoining his property.

PC69. Minutes of the 8th November 2017 Meeting

Cllr Williams asked that Paragraph 3 be amended to read “people with disabilities” rather than “difficulties of the disabled”. The Minutes were then adopted and signed by the Chairman.

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PC70. Agree, check and minute accounts

Cllrs Mrs Winwood and Cllr Workman agreed, checked and signed accounts; and direct debit payment schedule for HMRC to instruct payment for PAYE payments. Cheque payments were no longer permissible.

The Bank Reconciliation as at 29 December 2017 was approved and signed by Cllr Mrs Winwood.

Accounts paid since last meeting

• Parish Clerk, Salary – November & Dec 2017	£
600.40	
• <u>Accounts Unpaid</u>	
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• Parish Clerk, Expenses for Nov & Dec 2017	£ 70.73
• Parish Lengthsman – Nov & Dec 2017	£ 342.00
• Mr C Bunn – Grass Cutting of Parish Hall for Nov 2017	£ 14.00
• Lindridge Parish Hall – Hire of Hall 8/11/17	£ 42.00
• Worcestershire CALC – Training – S Workman	£

30.00		
• Mr C Lee, Acting Treasurer, Frith Common Telephone Box	£100.00	
• Mr N Vanes, Acting Treasurer, Eardiston Telephone Box	£162.52	
• Society of Local Councils – Annual Membership Renewal	£ 84.00	
• Mr K Baker – Internal Audit to prepare year ended 31/03/2017	£ 45.00	
• H&W Computers – Printer Problems	£ 50.40	
• Direct Debit instruction to HMRC for PAYE – Oct/Nov/Dec 2017	£ 18.40	

PC71. Progress Reports for Information

District Councillor – Cllr Dell advised that grant money from his funds will be available from May 2018 and deadline dates for applications would be November 2018; early applications would be welcomed. There were discussions regarding the new refuse collection dates. The Clerk to clarify if the weekly emptying of bins in our laybys will still go ahead. Comments regarding the Mill Lane Application were asked; however, at this stage no feedback could be provided. The Clerk thanked the recent monies received towards the restoration project of the Eardiston telephone box.

County Councillor – Cllr Pollock report – see attached. Cllr Benbow wished to thank Cllr Pollock on the extension of fibre through the County. Menith Wood currently had no cabinet and had extremely poor broadband (Airband struggled to reach several properties there). The new proposals for a "virtual" cabinet i.e. to deliver Fibre to the Premises ("FTTP") there were to be welcomed. The Parish Council would write to Cllr Pollock expressing its gratitude for the improved service which would become available in Menith Wood.

Parish Hall Representative.

Cllr Williams reported on the following:

Discussions were held for the possibility of a proposed new shed, which could help to store the Lindridge Baby and Toddler equipment. It was decided that the decision should be made from the Management Hall Committee.

The work to the sewer connection were working satisfactorily.

Central heating was now controlled remotely via mobile telephones.

Enquiries had revealed that the erection of the Village Hall sign (previously used at the Nags Head) would need planning permission and were continuing.

Public Path Warden

The Clerk confirmed that Mr Rob Humphries from Lower Frith Common had completed training with the Worcestershire Countryside Centre and was settling into new voluntary role. Mr Humphries will be invited to attend next meeting.

Councillors

Cllr Benbow advised that Broadband Fibre had now arrived in Frith Common. He advised that Cllr Evans had been working alongside Pensax Councillors to obtain Broadband in Menith Wood, which is still an area of the Parish at a disadvantage of this service. The Chairman wished to thank time taken on this.

Cllr Evans sought clarification as to whether the Parish Council had received 50% contribution from the Parish Hall Committee towards the Floodkit items – Clerk confirmed we had.

Cllr Evans reported that due to recent snow damage to trees on footpath 41B, this path had now been cleared. He also commented that the lighting from M&M Timber was still causing a concern from some residents in Menith Wood. The Clerk advised that we would require the exact postcode locations of those affected in Menith Wood and then this information could be relayed to Environmental Services again detailing more accuracy of those affected.

Cllr Workman reported that the current litter bin at Woodston is too small. He asked if a new larger bin could be bought. This was approved by the Parish Council.

ACTION: Clerk to approve cost and purchase.

Cllr Workman stated that a new meeting with David Clarke to discuss Neighbourhood Planning should be re-set.

ACTION: Clerk to advise date.

Cllr Workman commented that what was apparent from the last meeting when members of the public were present, that people within the area were now aware of what we do. He asked how can we engage more. It was suggested that a hyperlink be set up from the MyParish website to link in with Facebook or Twitter. Put an item in Temespan.

ACTION: Clerk to advise on Facebook.

Cllr Williams reported that the grit bins in Lower Frith Common are not located in places of need.

ACTION: Clerk to follow up with MHDC on location of grit bins in the Parish.

Cllr Mrs Winwood reported that many complaints were received when the road to Frith Common had been closed a few days after being open after the prior 10 week closure; this time to BT. No forewarning had been provided. The Clerk had reported the complaint. Cllr Mrs Winwood also advised that a new hedge had been planted to part of the boundary of the caravan holiday let in Lower Frith Common.

Cllr Mrs Hazeldine reported that some of the footways in Eardiston were being overgrown by grass and also the non tarmaced footways near Eardiston House. The Chairman reported that this issue had been reported to Hannah Davies of the Highways Department of Worcestershire County Council and action promised.

Clerk

Advised that Worcestershire CALC had their 2018 Training Programme events available for booking.

PC72 - Speed Reduction Measures in Eardiston

Cllr Workman prior to the meeting had distributed his current report and first data collection from the VAS unit. Due to the evidence of on-going speed; the police would be asked again to carry out speed gun checks. The Parish Council would write to lorry owners that regularly drive on the A443 to be mindful of the speed restrictions in place. Also, as a matter of importance was that near misses were reported to the Police. Since the last meeting an article had been placed in the Tenbury Wells Advertiser to raise local awareness.

Cllr Workman reported that a resident from Lindridge was keen to join a Working Party Group for action to campaign for a reduction in speed near to the Primary School.

ACTION: Cllr Workman to report at next meeting of this development.

PC73 – Road and Drainage Issues within the Parish

Road Slip at Frith Common – Works had now been completed and a replacement hedge had also been planted on the side of the slippage.

Cllr Mrs Winwood asked if the railings at the corner of Lower Frith and Frith Common that were damaged during the recent works could be reinstated with new ones.

Mill Lane – Follow up to be made with Environmental Services regarding grey water from local business flowing into ditch.

ACTION: Clerk

PC74 – Risk Assessment/Data Protection

It was agreed that any document should be marked as CONFIDENTIAL accordingly; this would prevent public distribution. Cllr Miss De Laurier advised she had experience with Data Protection documents and would look at advise presented from NALC to the Parish Council and liaise with Cllr Williams on the Policy.

PC75 – 2018/2019 Precept -

It was proposed by Cllr Benbow and seconded by Cllr Mrs Winwood to adopt as discussed at the last meeting the proposed 2018/2019 Precept of £6,600. This figure is lower than the previous year's Precept.

ACTION: Clerk to confirm to Malvern Hills District Council

PC76 – Review of Website

After brief discussion, Cllr Miss De Laurier provided suggestions of how the Parish Council may be able to move forward with a website. She suggested a link from the MyParish site to a free website created by the Council. The Clerk confirmed funds were still available from the Transparency Fund which can assist with the Clerk's time in setting up a website.

ACTION: Clerk and Cllr Miss De Laurier to liaise together.

PC77 – Review planning matters, applications and decisions

PLANNING REFERENCE – 17/00916/HP

Alterations and extensions to provide ensuite bedrooms, re-located kitchen and utility together with previously approved detached garage.

Mr & Mrs N Fairbrother

APPROVAL

PLANNING REFERENCE – 17/01449/HP

Construction of new driveway and parking (retrospective)

Mr and Mrs Bush, Selridge, Dumbleton Lane, Eardiston, Tenbury Wells, WR15 8JH

PLANNING REFUSAL NOTICE

PLANNING REFERENCE – 17/01932/LB

Flat 5, Eardiston House, Eardiston, Tenbury Wells, WR15 8JH

Replacement of 3 dormer sash windows at the rear

Mr L Smith

COMMENTS REFERRED TO MHDC

PLANNING REFERENCE – 17/01577/HP

Summer House in Rear Garden

The Long Barn, Lambswick Barns, Lindridge, Tenbury Wells, WR15 8JQ

APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

PLANNING REFERENCE – 17/01474/FUL

Proposed change of use from industrial to mixed use industrial estate incorporating Class B1, B2 & B8 together with Modified Access, Demolition Works and Associated Landscaping and boundary fence.

The Moor, Eardiston, Tenbury Wells, WR15 8JJ

APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

PC78 – Report of Matters Arising from Last Meeting

The Clerk confirmed that Grant Thornton had acknowledged incorrect invoice for the audited accounts. Revised invoice to be received.

All other items already discussed above.

PC79 – Correspondence for information –

- Application received from Anne De Laurier
- Email to Cllr K Pollock – Traffic problems in Eardiston
- Letter to and from Grant Thornton – Year End Fees
- Letter from MHDC – Tax Precept 2018-2019
- Letters to various authorities/groups – Emergency Plan Distribution
- Emails to and from Hannah Davies, WCC – Road Works at Frith Common
- Letter to Cllr K Pollock – A443 Lindridge to Little Witley

- Letter to TSB – Cancel Safe Deposits
- Email to Hannah Davies – Frith Common Road Works
- Email to and from Jon White, Countryside Centre – Footpath Frith Common
- **PC80 – Items for Future Agenda**
- - Road and Drainage Issues
 - Speed Restrictions in Eardiston and A443 action group
 - Website
 - Risk Assessments/Data Protection

PC81 – Items for Teme Span and Next Meeting Date

Items to be submitted:-

- Advise of new Parish Path Warden
- Advise of two new Parish Councillors
- Date of next meeting
- MyParish Website
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Action:

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 14th March 2018 at 7.00pm at Lindridge Parish Hall, Eardiston.

The meeting ended at 9.40 p.m.