Warndon Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held at Lyppard Grange Community Centre on Monday 9th January 2012

Present: Councillor R Morris (Chairman)

Councillors: M Bayliss, E Holloway, D Long, S Mackay,

V Barrall, N Fielden J Chamberlain (Clerk)

Ward Councillors: S Hodgson, L Hodgson County Councillor: A Roberts

<u>Also present</u>: Trevor Pond (Estate Warden), Geoffrey Barclay (Standard), Elizabeth Sweetman (Evening News), CSOs Tom Evans and Anna Miller (West Mercia Police), Visitor: Lionel Roberts, Parishioner x 1

1.0 Apologies for Absence

Councillor D Merriman

2.0 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Bayliss declared a general interest as a member of Worcester City Council and as the Cabinet Member for Economic Prosperity. He also declared a personal interest as the partner of an employee of Lyppard Grange Community Centre, to which the Parish Council provides an annual grant. (He requested that this declaration be added to each set of Parish minutes)

3.0 Public Question Time

(There were no public questions submitted)

3.1 County Councillor's report

Comments noted

3.2 Ward Councillor's report

Comments noted

- 4.0 Minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 2011 were approved subject to two minor amendments.
- 5. 0 Clerk's Report & Correspondence
 - 5.1 Consultation on Published Admission Numbers at Lyppard Grange 17th January 2012, **Councillor Bayliss to attend**.
 - 5.2 Budget Consultation Briefing, County Hall 18th January, 2012 **Councillors Fielden and Mackay to attend.**
 - 5.3 Calendar dates for Parish Council Meetings for 2012 agreed, and Annual Meeting confirmed as the 18th April, 2012

6.0 Finance

6.1 Precept - Councillor Morris PROPOSED revisiting the precept with a view to increasing it from 4% to 16%. Considerable discussion took place. Concerns were raised over returning to a decision within 6 months. Councillor Morris stated that there was a procedure in place which would allow this action to be undertaken.

6.2 Payments this month

Lonsdale Print Solutions (Newsletter) £867.00

Dor-2-Dor (Newsletter delivery) £186.76

CALC (Training) £120

Osborne Stationers £2.78

Clerks Salary £836.83

- **6.3 Monthly figures –** circulated
- **6.4 Bank balance** (estimated) as at 9th January £65,730

7.0 Planning & Rights of Way

7.1 P11Q0400 Land at Newtown Road and Charles Hastings Way

Councillor Long provided an extensive update on the following application

7.2 P08Q0652 Erection of Sports Stadium for Worcester City Club-Land East of Nunnery Way

At the Worcester City Council Planning Committee held on the 5th January 2012 the scheme was granted approval. Warndon Parish Council had objected on the grounds of highway and pedestrian safety, crossing on the A440, and inadequate car parking provision to serve the stadium. He provided a further detailed breakdown of the issues. The Council subsequenty agreed that Councillor Long should submit its concerns to the Secretary of State, Eric Pickles.

8.0 Environment

8.1 Councillor's report

Concerns over Tesco trolleys being removed and being found at road sides. Tesco to be contacted by Councillor L Hodgson

8.3 Estate Warden's report

Noted

8.4 Wildlife Ranger's report

Noted

8.5 Local Policing Team

CSOs Tom Evans and Anna Miller Verbal report noted

9.0 Leisure & Community Affairs

9.1 It was agreed that £2000 be forwarded to LGCC as sponsorship money for the Village Fete on 8th July 2012. It was also agreed that LGCC be asked to organize the day and the council members will be available for support and assistance if required.

10.0 Reports from Outside Bodies

10.1 School Governor

Governor Development Day in January

10.2 Lyppard Grange Management Board

No meetings to report

10.3 Standards Committee

No meeting to report

10.4 CALC (County Association of Local Councils)

Councillor Mackay updated the Council

- (i) References for employees: Insurance issues
- (ii) Councillor Training

Rolling programme introduced by CALC. He will take responsibility for updating councilors on the dates and subject matter of the training provided. Councillors Barrall and Mackay to attend the session on the 23/1/12

(iii)Queens's Diamond Jubilee Beacons

CALC would like all parishes to light a Beacon on Monday 4th June. They have to be advised to ensure our Beacon is listed

(iv)CALC Finances

Concerns have been identified over the proposed increases in the NALC subscription. This increase may result in members withdrawing from the organization.

11.0 Urgent items at the discretion of the Chairman

- 11.1 Councillor Morris (Chair) advised that he would not be standing for Chairman in May.
- 11.2 Councillor Bayliss advised that he will not be standing for Vice Chair in May.

12.0 Date of next meeting:

Monday 6th February 2012

13.0 The Chairman closed the meeting prior to the immediate commencement of the Confidential meeting

Confidential Meeting Continued

Confidential minute circulated to Councillors only

Meeting closed 9.50 pm

Jean Chamberlain Clerk to the Council 9th January 2012