

Leziate Parish Council

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Chair: Andrew Parker

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF LEZIATE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 14th of FEBRUARY 2022 FROM 7.30PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

PRESENT: Cllr Andy Parker (AP) (Chair), Cllr. Adrian Bramwell (AB), Cllr Andy Blatch (ABL), Cllr Jason Ess (JE), Cllr Jon Large (JL), and Caroline Boyden (CB) Clerk.
County Councillor Jim Moriarty (JM), Borough Cllrs Colin Manning & Michael de Whalley (MdW)
No members of the public present.

1. WELCOME TO ALL FROM THE CHAIR

2. PARISHIONERS 15 MINUTE FORUM:

No parishioners present.

3. a. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

Cllrs Graham Mathias & Stuart Dickerson.

b. COUNCILLORS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

JE re Planning Application 22/00215/F

4. Approval of the circulated minutes from the meeting held on the 13th of December 2021. Proposed JE, seconded JL and all in favour.

5. MATTERS ARISING:

5.1 Ashwicken Lakes – MdW advised that he had spoken to the Planning Officer and still awaiting the reports on winter birds and no decision will be made for some months. ABL asked if we will get to see the relevant reports, MdW advised yes all information will be made available on the portal. The clerk to contact Julian Moulton re winter birds.

ACTION CB

5.2 Follow up on the Traffic Meeting –JM still awaiting decision on the funding applied for and hoped for a decision in March or April. The clearway project is still on his list for next financial year funds.

6. PLANNING:

Planning to consider: -

6.1 Ref: 22/00215/F- construction of single storey attached garage extension at Rotherby House, 32 Brow of the Hill. (Note JE left the room) Support proposed AB, seconded JL and all in favour. (JE returned to meeting)

7. REPORTS FROM BOROUGH/COUNTY COUNCILLORS:

7.1 Cllr Manning -

The Police and Crime panel agreed to increase the precept by 3.59%. The offer of 5 Alive free membership for 3 months was mentioned along with the energy performance roadshows on rented homes.

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Sunday bus service No 48 was mentioned and query on usage. Car parking could increase and electric vehicles have now been purchased for fly-tipping project. Borough are now using teams and zoom for meetings which do not require decisions or votes.

Cllr. de Whalley –

The Sunday bus service was reinstated pre pandemic and reasonably successful. The CIL fund meeting is due on the 28.2.22. Budget getting - £2m deficit with concerns that could be down to minimum reserves by 2026. 2 meetings have been held to discuss the Town Fund with the Youth & Retraining project submitted and the multiuser hub proposal due end of March. The Riverfront and active traffic hub inc

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park and ride due end of May, with the Guildhall complex in June. A Heritage Lottery application has been made.

7.2 Cllr. Moriarty –

There was not enough information available to councillors and more briefings were being held to give updates and share of information. Appointing a Mayor of Norfolk has been raised again with little support and nothing will be agreed until before 2025 due to legislation. Covid is not going away, and information continues to be sent out. County Lines are in Norfolk and causing concern.

The Grandcourt quarry expansion was recommended to refuse, and JM attended the meeting at NCC. The issue over the public rights of way was raised and JM will take the chair at the next Sibelco local meeting.

8. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

8.1 Sibelco – as discussed under 7.2 and AB had maps to show to all concerned.

8.2 The Voice – items for the next edition to include key points from this meeting, and clerk email change.

8.3 Free Tree scheme – JL advised that the 10 saplings were in his greenhouse, and we should be canvassing the residents of Glosthorpe park as to planting and JL raised the point of safety with consideration of hedging in the future.

8.4 Complaint received again regarding the street sign at Church Lane, Ashwicken. This has been reported over 10 times by JL and the Clerk to no avail. MdW advised that Nathan Johnson should be contacted.

ACTION CB

8.5 Proposed Sunday Bus Service – it was agreed that the clerk send a letter of support

ACTION CB

9. REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS AND CLERK:

9.1 JE - SAM & Speedwatch – report sent out today by JE re East Winch Road with facing North average speed of 39.5mph and a single speed of 69mph. Facing South gave 29.6mph with a maximum speed of 48mph. Full details will be on the website. The Speedwatch training will go ahead on the 25.2.22.

9.2 JE – Village Hall – more clubs are now returning and an internal defibrillator to be discussed at the next meeting.

9.3 JE/ABL- Play Areas – the new swing set is now in place at the Village Hall site and all maintenance now complete. ABL advised that the reported fallen fencing belongs to a resident and not Borough. He has spoken to the owner and this will be repaired.

9.4 GM – Bus Shelters – GM reported a blue container in the Bawsey shelter and AP had taken a loud speaker that was left in the Church Lane shelter to the police.

9.5 AP – Fen & Brands Wood – the footpath has been ploughed up following the sugar beet harvest and he will contact the farmer.

9.6 AB – Neighbourhood Watch – there was no support for relaunching this scheme and therefore, it was agreed to cease. AB was thanked for his hard work.

9.7 JL – Footpaths – a finger post was missing on Rookery Lane and there was an increase in dog waste in most areas. More signage could help.

9.8 JL – Highways – Frost along with beet traffic causing a lot of damage on the verges, especially Church Lane, mainly down to HGV's and farm vehicles.

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9.9 CB – Clerk update – The CIL fund application for £10k has been completed along with assisting the Village Hall application for CCTV. CM & MdW both agreed to £150 each towards the Village Hall equipment.

10. FINANCE

10.1 The January 22 Bank Reconciliation, payments & receipts, bank statements had been sent out to all councillors. Approval proposed by GM and seconded by JS . Approved by all present.

Statement of Account: Current balance was £8340.85 as at 30.11.21 on the bank reconciliation.

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Payments for January (retrospective) & February proposed AB, seconded JE and approved by all present. These total £3.5k leaving account close to reserve.

10.2 The Third quarter review was discussed and emphasis on the need to be prudent and stick to the budget for 22/23.

11. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- a. Receive any updates on Ashwicken Lakes planning application.
- b. Receive any updates on the Traffic Project.
- c. Neighbourhood Plan to review.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING- 14th March 2022 from 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.37 pm

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