



Laverstock & Ford Parish Council

Incorporating Hampton Park & Old Sarum

Meeting held at the Old Sarum Community Centre
at 7.30pm on Monday 15th February 2016

MINUTES

Councillors present: Burton (Chairman), Bussereau, Champion, Davis, Dean, Hayes, Law, Tunnicliffe.

Wiltshire Councillor present: Moss.

Clerk: Prince.

The Chairman welcomed 5 members of the public and the Community Beat Manager, PC Henry Clissold. PC Clissold introduced PCSO Tina Roylance who has joined the Neighbourhood Policing Team. After a brief discussion the police officers left the meeting.

The meeting commenced at 7.35pm.

16.014 APOLOGIES Apologies were received from Cllr Ansonia, Cllr Burnell and WCllr McLennan.

16.015 DECLARATION OF INTEREST There were no new declarations of interest. The Clerk reported that he had received two written requests from Cllr Bussereau and Cllr Champion for dispensation to take part in the business of the Council relating to Planning Application 15/04004/OUT in view of their declared interests in property in Ford.

Resolved: The Council grants dispensation to Cllr Bussereau to take part in the business of the Council relating to Planning Application 15/04004/OUT because the Council considers that the granting of the dispensation is in the interests of the residents of the Parish.

Resolved: The Council grants dispensation to Cllr Champion to take part in the business of the Council relating to Planning Application 15/04004/OUT because the Council considers that the granting of the dispensation is in the interests of the residents of the Parish.

16.016 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolved: To approve the Minutes of the meeting held at the River Bourne Community Farm on 18 January 2016.

16.017 MATTERS ARISING

Action PC165. Seek information from Area Board regarding sharing with other parishes Speed Indicator Devices SIDs and associated costs. Cllr Bussereau said that there were differing views on the effectiveness of SIDs. Cllr Champion spoke in favour of SIDs and would like to see a trial period paid for by the Council. Cllr Bussereau said that the Area Board were planning a meeting at the Community Farm later in March to discuss the issue with other parishes. Closed.

Action PC166. Circulate final version of Councillor Responsibilities & Area Board attendance. Closed

Action PC171, PC172 & PC175 Done. Closed.

Community Governance Review Sub-group Cllr Bussereau had previously circulated draft Terms of Reference for the sub-group and requested that the Council approve them.

Resolved: To approve the CGR subgroup Terms of Reference.

16.018 PLANNING

Old Sarum Public Open Space The Clerk reported that he had received revised versions of the Transfer Documents for the AOS (Country Park) ready for Councillor's signature and that Persimmon have said that the funds will be in place so that the transfer can be completed by 26 February. There was no further news on the MOD Open Space transfer and he was reconsidering asking Wiltshire Council to take enforcement action against Persimmon. He also reported on an offer by Persimmon to transfer the completed part of the Swale land early. The consensus of the Council was that they should wait until the whole area is complete before accepting the transfer.

Old Sarum Local Centre The Clerk had previously circulated a draft further response to the application 15/11244/FUL, which sought to replace the Doctors' Surgery Land in the Local Centre with more flats. This response refuted counter arguments by the applicant and reaffirmed the OBJECTION by the Council.

Resolved: To approve the further letter of objection dated 15 February 2016 as drafted.

Old Sarum Airfield Cllr Bussereau reported that the Grade II listed Belfast Truss hangar owned by Old Sarum Airfield Ltd had recently suffered a structural problem and that WCllr McLennan had asked Wiltshire Council enforcement to investigate. He also reported on the email from Barton Willmore that had deferred the next meeting until 11 March. His reply has been shared with Councillors. He showed the Council a copy of a leaflet, entitled Old Sarum Noise & Traffic Opinions, published by Old Sarum Airfield Ltd. A digital copy of this leaflet had been sent to Councillors.

Hampton Park Country Park The Chairman spoke about the objection by Historic England to the henge feature in the Country Park design. An alternative 'solar array' feature has been proposed by Amanda Mathews and accepted by Barratts and Historic England.

The Council's original response to the planning application was to support subject to a condition that certain changes are made to the design. This had been submitted on 1st February after an email poll. This response was now confirmed by resolution.

Resolved: To SUPPORT planning application 16/00048/FUL subject to a condition that the plans are amended in accordance with the provisions laid out in the letter to Development Services dated 1st February 2016.

It was noted that there has been no response from Wiltshire Council or the directors of BDW Southern Counties on the question of who is going to build the Country Park.

Longhedge The Chairman reported on a meeting held with the planning consultants, WYG, and representatives of Bovis Homes and Linden Homes on 4th February. It was disappointing in two respects. First, it appeared that the volume of spoil emanating from the development was much greater than originally envisaged. In order to deal with the spoil WYG has proposed a phased delivery of the Community Open Space. The Clerk had observed that this was in breach of the terms of the S106 agreement. Second, it appeared

that there was going to be more traffic light disruption on the A345 than had originally been indicated. A second meeting has been proposed for late March at which WYG will present a new earthworks strategy and available options.

15/12582/FUL. New sports hall & changing rooms St Joseph's RC School, Laverstock The Chairman summarised the progress of the application so far including the presentation given to two Councillors and the Clerk. It was noted that there were objections from residents of Church Road. Cllr Law said that there have been several improvements including an improved design and a slightly lowered roofline. Cllr Hayes applauded the efforts that had been made by the school to improve the appearance of the building.

Resolved: To SUPPORT the application.

Planning Application Log. The following responses to Planning Applications have been made since the last Council meeting. 16/00059/TPO. Work to 4 x TPO Lime trees, Darnaway, Laverstock Park. NO COMMENT. 16/00283/TPO. Crown lift 3 x Horse Chestnut and 3 x Beech. Land opposite 20 Norton Drive. SUPPORT subject to conditions. 16/00602/FUL. Convert garage to accommodation with extension over. 8 Chestnut Close, Laverstock. NO COMMENT.

Resolved: To approve the above responses.

16.019 FINANCE

Adoption of Monthly Accounts The Financial Statement had previously been circulated by email and copies were provided. The total funds held at the end of January 2016 were £161,393.89 of which £109,351 were earmarked or restricted reserves.

Resolved: To adopt the monthly accounts as a true record of the Council's finances.

Payment to Ecosurface The Clerk had previously circulated a proposal for a new all weather surface to be laid over the grass outside Hall 2B. This had been accepted by email and the order had been placed.

Resolved: To accept the Ecosurface quotation no: 341 dated 8th February 2016 for the laying of 48 sq. metres of green Gummibond surfacing outside Hall 2B at the Old Sarum Community Centre.

Cheque & Debit Card Payments The list of payments had been circulated by email and copies were provided. Cheque payments amounted to £5,590.68. Debit card payments in January 2016 amounted to £125.99.

Resolved: To approve the cheque and debit card payments.

Appointment of Internal Auditor The Clerk said that Internal Audit & Compliance Limited had confirmed that their fee remained unchanged at £225 plus vat. He was very content with their work last year and recommended that they be reappointed.

Resolved: To appoint Internal Audit & Compliance Limited as the internal auditors for Laverstock & Ford Parish Council for the financial year 2015-2016.

16.020 CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE

Bus Shelter on the Portway, Old Sarum The Clerk reported that he had received a complaint from a Wiltshire Council Passenger Transport Monitoring Officer about the filthy condition of the bus shelter on the Portway near Partridge Way. He circulated a photograph to Councillors. Wiltshire Council Highways had told her that this shelter was owned by the Parish Council and was our responsibility. The Clerk said that this was not

the case. Wiltshire Council are the owners and they have eventually acknowledged this after an intervention by WCllr McLennan. They have however said that they have no funds for the cleaning of bus shelters and but that the Parish Council could do the work after a formal Service Delegation. Alternatively they might consider an asset transfer of the bus shelter to the Parish Council. It was agreed that the Council should not allow the shelter to remain in its present appalling condition and the Clerk was asked to investigate what is required for a Service Delegation. **Action Clerk**

Wiltshire Council Local Highways February Newsletter The Clerk had previously circulated a long Newsletter from Wiltshire Council Highways purporting to explain how the new contracts for highways would operate after 1st April 2016. One welcome change was the reintroduction of the Parish Steward Scheme. It is hoped that a presentation on 20th April will more fully explain the new contracts.

16.021 REPORTS

Cllr Bussereau He reported on the CGR subgroup meeting held on 22nd January. Notes had been circulated to Councillors. The Clerk then said that the Wiltshire Council Associate Director for Legal & Governance had contacted him by telephone. The first meeting of the Working Group would be held on 17th February. Their aim would be to make a final recommendation to Wiltshire Council in July 2016 followed by implementation of any approved changes in October 2016. This would be in time for the 2017 local elections.

Cllr Bussereau also reported on the Wiltshire Council Budget meeting that he attended and on the Southern Wiltshire Area Board meeting on 28th January. The most significant item at this meeting was the proposal that the Community Farm might become a contractor for several parishes. A further meeting to discuss this proposal is expected in late March or early April.

Cllr Dean He said that would be attending a meeting of the Milford Preservation Group on 19th February to discuss traffic calming measures on Milford Mill Road.

Chairman He briefly summarised some points passed to him by WCllr McLennan regarding the spoil at Longhedge, the planning application for the new sports hall at St Josephs and the plans to make Old Sarum Primary School a 2-class entry school.

In addition he mentioned the recent meeting with Old Sarum Community Centre trustees and management team. Notes had been circulated to Councillors. He also reported on a meeting with Gordon Hoskins, the oldest volunteer distributor of the Parish Newsletter. An article about him will appear in the next Newsletter.

16.022 EXEMPT BUSINESS – EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC

Resolved: That in view of the Commercial-in-Confidence nature of the business about to be transacted the public and press be temporarily excluded from this meeting under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and the Local Government Act 1972 Section 100.

The meeting concluded at 9.32pm.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at the River Bourne Community Farm at 7pm on Monday 21st March 2016.