

**LYDIARD MILLICENT PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Thursday 3rd April 2003**

**Present** Cllrs Pepperall Chair, B Baker J Bennett, A Cole, P Cole,  
J Holloway, V Saunders, and D Revere.

1. **Apologies** Cllrs L Quartly Bishop, M Groom.
2. **Confirm Minutes** - the minutes were signed as a true record.
3. **County Councillors Report** M Groom had not managed to send her report.

In her absence the Chairman reported that she would have been pleased to see the much awaited 'safer route to school' started. This was one of three projects she had initiated. £500 had also been awarded for a CCTV camera at the JCH, the light proposed for Buryfield had not yet been confirmed.

**4. District Councillors Report**

D/Cllr Packham came in during item 6 and reported that:- Cllr Groom had left a question to be raised at a recent District Planning meeting. Unfortunately, her source of information was incomplete and her question would have been unnecessary had she been able to attend in person. The Outline Planning for 8 homes at the end of the Mews, had been booked provisionally to go to committee on the 2nd April. Due to amount of public objections and those raised by the Highway department, this outline application was withdrawn from committee and refused under powers of delegation. Only those applications recommended for approval, against the required number of objections, need be heard by full committee.

First deposit draft of the Local Plan 2011 went public from 4th April until 15th May.

D/Cllr Packham urged everyone to look at the proposals, talk about them and make representations. This stage is critical if anyone wishes the plan to be amended.

Planning news. The Scheme of delegation has now been in place for 2 years and every part of it was sped up to meet government targets. The award for completing this task was £124,000 which NWDC has now allocated back to NW Planning Service with a view to improving the enforcement side of the department.

Response times will now be 21 days from the start of advertising, not the date of receipt.

WCC Structure Plan 2016 - consultations start soon - even more important than NWDC Local Plan - 1st draft exhibited 29/4 - NWDC, Chippenham, 2/3 May - Steam Museum.

**5. PQT**

A. L Packham, - brought to the Parish Council's attention the unreasonable parking taking place along The Street by the hump and opposite the post office. The vehicles are thought to be builders. The Chairman to ask if they could be parked at the Sun Inn.

B. Mr New commented that it was the same crew working on Church Place as was on The Moors, and enquired how long the job will take - Should take approx. 3 - 4 weeks.

Would it be possible to put Long Delays Possible signs up either side of the works?.

When the narrowing is white lined, could the rest of the area be done at the same time?.

**6. Councillors Reports**

A. Cllr Cole reported that a new 'no through road' sign had arrived at The Crescent.

B. Cllr Saunders reported she had looked inside the the bus shelter at Greatfield, and found a red dog bin complete with pole - Clerk to advise NWDC.

C. Cllr Saunders repeated the request to Clarence to sweep the Greatfield pavements.

D. Cllr Holloway commented that the roads in India were in better condition than those in Lydiard Green. Report to Clarence 2 large holes in Lydiard Green around the area of Bagbury Lane entrance.

E. Cllr Holloway reported that Auto Care were displaying up to 3 portable signs outside Bagbury park, causing a visual problem to motorists leaving Bagbury Lane.

F. The Chairman asked if Scrambling was still causing a problem. - OK at present.

**7. Report on Matters Arising.** - None.

**8. Planning**

**Cemetery** Approvals for Headstones, the late M.J.Grattan & S.Gay.

**Late Planning application** 03/00757/TCA Tree Surgery Work at L.M. C of E PS, The Butts.

**NWDC Refusal** 03/00456/OUT Outline application - 8 dwellings, The Mews.

Reasons: 4 outside Village B/line, Contrary to RC9, & overburdened entrance to Ch. Spr.

**NWDC Approval** - 03/00263/TCA Tree Surgery Work, Honeywood House, The Butts.

**9. Accounts (\*inc.VAT)**

**31.3.03**

000857	Mrs R Leckie	Wage	£185.00
000878	Mrs R Leckie	Expenses	£ 62.06*
000859	Mr Nicholas	White Lining	£ 67.50
000860	Mr Pepperall	Expenses 12m to 31.3.03	£290.41*
000861	Mr Perrin	Hedge cutting, Cemetery	£240.00
000862	BT.	Connection and Rental, JCH	£118.15*
000863	SEB Est-	updated bill to follow	£ 75.44*

**3.4.03**

000864	WALC	Subscription	£368.94*
000865	Hi Tech Security	CCTV Camera	£780.44* (see NWDC Grant)
000866	Community First	Subscription	£ 30.00

Clerk to proceed with Data Registration Act, £35 p.a.

The above accounts were proposed by Cllr Baker and seconded by Cllr Revere.

**10. Report by Internal Auditor** was read out. There are a few items they wish to see and some recommendations to improve book-keeping methods.

**11. Ground Maintenance contract** As only one quotation was available on the night, the full contract was offered to Mr R Nicholas on an annual basis.

He will be paid: £810 pa for the Rec. field marking, £100 pa for strimming the play areas and emptying the bins, £110 pa for the cemetery and maintenance of the bus stop areas.

The new contract will be signed shortly. £144 will be paid monthly commencing 1st April 2003 reviewed on the 1st February 2004 to allow time for consultation.

The appointment was proposed by Cllr Revere and seconded by Cllr Baker.

**12. Bus shelters.** It was agreed to review this as a 2004/5 precept item, in November.

**13. Spring Clean** - We have entered the Best Kept Village competition. No news on the Skip for the Spring Clean. It was agreed that even if a skip could not be obtained by NWDC for the weekend chosen, this would not prevent a spring clean going ahead.

Sunday 27th April was picked as the day. Cllr Holloway offered to do posters and flyers. Everyone to meet in the Sun Car Park on Sunday Morning 10.30 and again at 2.00 p.m. Chair to plan the area to be covered, & contact Police. Clerk to obtain Insurance, tabards and pick-up sticks from WCC. Bin Bags needed. Vehicles to take the bin bags to the skip as the clean up proceeds. Cllrs to distribute flyers & encourage friends to assist on 27th.

**14. Millennium Committee** 6 man committee had met on 1st April. Ideas were- Benches - possible site next to Bus Stop at Chestnut Springs, rather than Rec.Field

BBQ's -2 at Recreation Field - discussions required with SFC, LMCC, &RFS/Com

Three large trees in recognition of long service to the Village as soon as possible, Mrs F Blissett, Mr J Woolford, and the Late Mr D Payne. - cost limited to £100 each.

Saplings - from autumn onwards - under a Foster Parent scheme. - siting suggestions Corner of Lydiard Green, Beeches to field gate, The Moors to Barretts Yard, Mews Play area, adj to BBQ in Rec. Field, S. side approach to Greatfield Xrds from LM

Bushes - Opposite LMP Hall, if flower beds removed by road narrowing (discuss with Pond Group), and adjacent to 65 Chestnut Springs.

Perrins Piece to be rotivated, with bark placed on plastic sheeting and replanted - possible site for the Payne Tree - alternative site in Buryfields suggested by Cllr Baker. Next meeting 10th April 7.30 p.m., 1 Meadow Springs.

**15. Parish Plan** - Speaker arranged for 15th May 2003, at the Annual Parish Meeting. Cllr Bennett had been reading up on Parish Plan and would be happy to help co-ordinate.

#### **16. Committee Reports.**

**Club House** Furniture to be purchased for up to 50 people, by Sub.Comm.

**Store Shed** To begin 22nd April - Variation Order being prepared for contractor.

**Recreation Field** LMCC to pay reduced fee of £700 for 2003.

**Open Gardens** To be 20th July 2003, between 2.00 p.m. and 5.30 p.m.

**The Mews Play Area** Various options of new equipment discussed, all in favour of wooden replacement swing, although mini slide and see-saw were discussed..

**Play Area Inspection** by T Pepperall - Thanks to a parishioner we have now managed to contact the original suppliers, who will send a quote for the bolt for the wobble log.

#### **17. Correspondence**

Wiltshire Highways Partnership - newsletter available.

Quality Parish and Town Council Initiative - two preliminary items of information.

PAWS (art workshops) leaflets available from Clerk.

Local Plan 2011 - Chairman to write a Synopsis of NWDC Local Plan draft

Mobile Library - Chairman had visited the van. It appears the type of help required is to put the books back as they arrive on the van. Link Scheme may be able to help if needed.

#### **18. Date of next meetings:**

**Thursday 24th April 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall**

**Thursday 15th May 7.00 p.m. Annual General Meeting**

**7.30 p.m. Annual Parish Meeting**

**9.30 p.m. Extra Parish Council Meeting - essential items only.**