

## LYDIARD MILLICENT PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2003

**Present:** Cllrs Pepperall - Chair, Baker, Brimacombe, Holloway, Pflieger, Saunders.

**1. Apologies:** J Bennett, P Cole, M Groom, and E Quartly-Bishop.

**Condolences** were given from the Parish Council and those attending, following the death of a former councillor, the late Mr B Lingard of Manor House; a minutes silence was held.

**2. Confirm Minutes:** were amended at No 6 item 4 change 'height' to 'spread'.  
CC Report amend last para. to read '2 Community workers' - 'not planning officers' and add 'there were concerns regarding the future composition of Malmesbury & Devizes Hospital'.

**3. County Councillors Report:** Brief resume of emailed report as follows:-  
Structure Plan Deposit Draft Alteration of the Wiltshire and Swindon Structure Plan Review 2016 retained existing Rural Buffer Zone, some issues on RBZ still need objecting to.  
Primary Care Trust - initial savings target of £900k has been revised down to £100k which was more achievable. PCT Business Plan for 2003/4 had been approved, however, a contingency fund to deal with year end deficits would have been a good idea.  
Health Scrutiny Committee seminar on NHS Finances have been applied for, good way to lobby central government for more funding if a lack of funding could be demonstrated.  
Wiltshire Police Authority are now preparing their budgets.  
M Groom has accepted a position on the School Finance Scrutiny Task Group.

**4. District Councillors Report:** There was no report on the night.

**5. Parishioners Question Time:**

- a. Mrs Reed - imparted the sad news that Dr Schapps of Purton surgery had died.
- b. J Ricketts - asked for an update on the two men he had seen the previous month clearing the edges of road and pavement from Beeches along the Stone Wall. Continued parents parking on path at end of Butts.
- c. Mrs Willies - Mr Warren still has a few dead trees lining the Butts, just beyond the Horse Chestnut tree in The Butts, could he be asked to remove it before it falls on a child/parent/resident of The Butts.
- d. The Police did come to monitor traffic on a school day, however, they did not arrive until 9.10 a.m. after having to enquire as to where the school was.
- e. Mr Wicks - reported that the road was at last in a fair state, but visibility due to wide hedges (Morse's hedge) still needed the Parish Councils attention.
- f. The brook, bottom of Greenhill, still needs clearing out before the winter sets in.
- g. Mr New - fir tree in Meadow Springs needs clipping back - already done.

**6. Councillors reports of Parishioners queries.**

- a. Lack of paint on the Humps and general lack of white lines, was again brought to the attention of the Parish Council.
- b. Cllr Saunders, asked if the footpath along Greatfield could be swept. This has been requested several times before. Clerk to contact CLARENCE/Lengthsmen.
- c. Cllr Holloway is concerned about the condition of the C28 along Lydiard Green, esp. adj. to Bagbury Lane. WCC told him no resources were available this or next financial year.
- d. There is still a green Dog Bin in the Greatfield Bus Shelter to be collected by NWDC.

## 7. Report on matters arising:

- a. The Chairman thanked Cllr Holloway for strimming around the Greatfield Bus Shelter.
- b. Post Office - will close on the 18<sup>th</sup> October 2003.  
Mrs Reed and Cllr Pepperall had met up with VERSA, an independently run group, and have further information. They too suggested we ask if Cllr Greenman may wish to take over the Post Office, not thought to be very probable. Chair to pursue thro Cllr Groom.  
A questionnaire to all villagers to be distributed through the magazine, door to door, and through the school, S.F.C., L.C.C. etc, through a S/Comm of the P.Plan committee?.  
Feedback could be collected in boxes placed around the Parish, one point suggested as the Service Station office (Chair to be enquire), and local Cllrs homes.  
The Parish Plan - received a mandate to go ahead, and it was suggested that they form a sub-committee for a Post Office as a priority.  
Blunsdon have a portacabin as their Post Office, this could be looked at.
- c. Speed limits, and how to enforce them. Suggestion made to have red tarmac at crucial points in the Parish, even the large notices that flash. It was agreed to look at possible grants for this kind of outlay.
- d. Forge Fields, quotation to be sought to cut back trees around the Sub Station.

## Planning Applications

03/02392/FUL	Extension to dwelling (renewal of N98.2503.FUL)
Tudor House, Park Lane	<b>No Adverse Comments</b>
03/02391/FUL	Single Storey Side Extension and Conservatory
83 Chestnut Springs	<b>No Adverse Comments</b>

Question raised about a hedge which has allegedly been grubbed out at Greensend, L.Green. NWDC have been advised.

## NWDC Planning Approvals

03/01945/FUL	Extensions at 26 Linden Way Common Platt
03/01902/FUL	Garage and loft conversions at Highlands Stone Lane

## NWDC Planning Refusal

03/01822/FUL	Conversion of Cow Barn at Brockhurst Farm Greenhill.
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## 9. Accounts

000918	Mrs R Leckie monthly wage	£190.00
000919	Mr R Nicholas Maintenance	£180.00
000920	Mr T Pepperall Flagpole	£339.00
000921	Zurich Municipal Storedshed Ins.	£ 62.51
000922	Southern Electric plc JCH	£179.24
000923	NWDC Dev. Control. Mins.	£ 28.50
000924	Mr K Manning Fixing seat in Bus stop	£140.00
000925	Mrs R Leckie expenses	£ 55.37

Flagpole costs to come out of Millennium Funds.

Quotation for installing flagpole received at £145.00

Quote for refurbishment of raised gardens, received from TAURUS for two days work £250.

Two more poles will be required (addl £30 cost). Soil to be provided free from TAURUS.

Cllr Revere will organise this in the Chairman's absence.

The above were proposed by Cllr Saunders and seconded by Cllr Baker.

## **10. Parish Plan**

Steering Group first meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> October in JCH. Priorities will be setting up committees, one of which needs to deal with the future of a Post Office. Clerk enquired if she should go ahead and organise a copyright licence for the maps which would be needed. This was agreed.

## **11. Community Emergency Volunteer Report**

Training - Cllr Bennett has completed his CEV training and had been issued with an I/D card. Cllr Bennett will produce a draft Initial Response Plan (IRP) for review by the Parish Council, some assistance will be needed.

Parish Exercise will be held on the 16<sup>th</sup> October and starts at 7.30p.m.

Exercise Wyvern Reunited - WCC evacuation exercise based on a simulated incident at the Purton LPG site, - more volunteers welcome.

## **12. Standards Board Video.**

It was thought that Cllr Cole may have the video at present, Clerk encourage the remaining Cllrs to view the video before next meeting.

## **13. Committee Reports**

CommuniGate Website has been updated. A visitor to the website was asking for information on any living relatives of Rachael Young who lived in the Parish in 1823. School and Church records may help to discover information. A letter from the Chairman has been sent to 'Millicent' in South Australia.

Football pitches To remain as previous year - 4 pitches.

A player had to have an injection at GWH following a grazed knee, as he had fallen on dog mess on the pitch.. Notice required requesting that dogs are only walked around the perimeter and not allowed to run free across the pitches. Quote required.

Rec. Field hedges LMCC has had the hedges flayed, which has also increased the available playing area. The tops will need reducing another time.

Play Area Cllr Saunders will telephone the following her inspection. Next month - Cllr Revere.

Cemetery Looking better. Cllrs Baker & Revere still to review with Groundsman.

Open Gardens Proceeds of Open Gardens - as soon as all the poles needed have been purchased - remaining proceeds to go to the LMPHall Disabled Toilet Fund. Nov Agenda.

Millennium Flagpole has been delivered - quote accepted for erection.

Flower beds, 2/3 more telegraph poles required.

Perrins Piece mulch to be arranged by Chair - quote needed from RP.

## **14. Correspondence**

a,b,c,d, - available to read from Clerk.

e, - WCC Highway Orders re 30mph limit (Bagbury Park to Beeches) were welcomed.

f, - No volunteers to attend the Town and Parish Conference 10<sup>th</sup> Nov.

g, - Post Office - see item 7b. VERSA questionnaire to go via next Lydiard Magazine.

## **15. Date of next meeting Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2003. Meeting closed at 9.15 pm**