

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
LACEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2012 AT 7.30PM
IN SPEEN VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT

Cllr R Craft (Chairman)
Cllrs D Claydon, J Sherlock, D Clay and Mrs M Hughes
Clerk Susanne Griffiths

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Mrs C Davies and T Molesworth

2. MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council meeting on the 5TH December 2011, having been circulated were approved by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any personal interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting. None were declared.

4. MATTERS ARISING NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

Advice given to the Parish Council by Wycombe District Council regarding the problems with the external web link from the WDC website to the Parish Council's.

The Parish Council is grateful for the opportunity to 'set the record straight' in relation to the advice given to the Parish Council by Wycombe District Council (WDC) regarding the unfortunate problems with the external web link from the WDC website to the Parish Council's.

In the minutes of our meeting in September 2011 we printed an extract from an email which we received from Wycombe District Council regarding links to Planning Applications on our website. The content of that email we now know to be incorrect and Wycombe District Council have apologised to Mike Henson, mh-p internet Limited and the Parish Council. The Parish Council, although acting upon the information provided by WDC, realises the significance of such an e-mail. The Parish Council has discussed the matter with Mr. Henson and sought his views on how to resolve this matter.

In this regard the Parish Council wishes to express its sincere apologies for the publication of the e-mail from WDC and accepts that the information provided by the WDC is incorrect.

5. A REPORT ON DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS FROM WYCOMBE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR M FOSTER

WDC Cllr M Foster informed the members that the Walters Ash Appeal on the refusal of retrospective planning permission is to go to a public enquiry. The sports centre redevelopment at Handy Cross in High Wycombe is in the final stages of preparation before it is presented to the public for consultation. A planning application for the redevelopment of the centre will follow in due course.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a. To consider New Planning Applications

12/05088/CTREE: The Vicarage Church Lane Lacey Green Buckinghamshire HP27 0QX

Proposal: Crown reduce by 25% one Horse Chestnut Tree (T19), crown reduce by 25% one Sycamore Tree (T20), reduce by 3 metres lateral extending branch on one Ash Tree (T21) and fell one Cherry Tree (T340) **The Parish Council will abide by the decision of the Arboriculturalist_**

11/07953/FUL: OS Parcel 4239 Goodacres Lane Lacey Green Buckinghamshire

Proposal: Erection of stable block comprising of 3 stables, 1 tackroom and 1 hay store Location of application site should read Kiln Lane, Lacey Green, Bucks, HP27 0PT, NOT Goodacres Lane. **The Parish Council recommend refusal of this application for the following reasons:-**

The site lies outside the village curtilage, in open countryside, within the Green Belt and the Chilterns AONB.

The existing entrance to the site is not shown correctly on Drawings WDC 1/2/3. Existing gateway is some fifteen metres north-east of that shown on the plans.

Whilst it is appreciated Applicant's visits may be restricted to twice daily, nevertheless this will cause an increase in traffic flow. It should be pointed out this access also serves five other paddocks. The gateway is located on a narrow single track, untarmaced, section of Kiln Lane, (leading to a Restricted Byway) where it is very difficult for large vehicles to turn into the site. The Parish Council consider the proposed location of the stable block, shown on Drawing WDC/3, would cause a loss of amenity to the adjacent residential property of 'Datcha'. Due to the very close proximity of the stable block, it would render the residential property liable to unwanted noise, odour, flies and vermin. No indication has been given what provision has been made for the proposed storage and disposal of soiled bedding and manure.

A stable type building, smaller than those indicated on Drawing WDC/3, was erected on this site, close to 'Datcha', on Monday 16th January 2012. It is not known if this forms part of the above application.

Policy RT/17 of the Local Plan states 'planning permission for horse related facilities will only be given when (d) There is no adverse effect upon the amenities of nearby residents'.

12/05076/TPO: 5 Hambye Close Lacey Green Buckinghamshire HP27 0QZ

Proposal: Felling of one Twin Stemmed Ash Tree (T1) **The Parish Council will abide by the decision of the Aboriculturalist**

12/05064/FUL: Wardrobes House Wardrobes Lane Loosley Row Buckinghamshire HP27 0NL

Proposal: Householder application for installation of array of 21 solar PV panels on a barn within the curtilage of a Listed Building. **The Parish Council has no objections.**

12/05067/LBC: Wardrobes House Wardrobes Lane Loosley Row Buckinghamshire HP27 0NL

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for installation of array of 21 solar PV panels on a barn within the curtilage of a Listed Building **The Parish Council will abide by the decision of the Aboriculturalist**

12/05172/TPO: Box Cottage Woodway Loosley Row Buckinghamshire HP27 0NS

Proposal: Removal of epicormic growth, crown reduction by 1.8 metres in height and 0.8 metres in crown spread to one Yew Tree (T1), crown reduction by 1.6 metres in height and 0.3 metres in crown spread to one Yew Tree (T2), fell and remove one Yew Tree (T3), fell and remove one Yew Tree (T4) and crown reduction by 1.8 metres in height and reduce 0.8 metres from the north round to the east side of the stem to one Yew (T5). **The Parish Council will abide by the decision of the Aboriculturalist.**

12/05147/FUL: 18 Woodbank Loosley Row Buckinghamshire HP27 0TS

Proposal: Householder application for the erection of a balcony at first floor level over existing ground floor rear extension. **The Parish Council has no objections.**

12/05162/FUL: Archway Slad Lane Speen Buckinghamshire HP27 0PP

Proposal: Removal of existing stables (having retained the entrance archway) & construction of replacement stables building, removal of existing car parking areas to front & creation of new car parking area, erection of single storey veterinary care unit/museum & teaching facility. Formation of manege to rear of stables with new entrance gate in existing fence & construction of horse walker. Extension to roof of small barn with alterations & conversion to tea room & toilet facilities, insertion of flu pipe & alterations to function barn, alterations & insertion of new door to south elevation of farmhouse building. **The Parish Council recommends approval of this application.**

12/05163/LBC :Archway Slad Lane Speen Buckinghamshire HP27 0PP

Proposal:Listed Building application for extension to roof of small barn with alterations & conversion to tea room & toilet facilities, insertion of flu pipe & alterations to function barn. Replacement of windows, recladding of existing dormers and insertion of new door to south elevation of farmhouse building. **The Parish Council recommends approval of this application.** Page 02/12

b. To Receive Notice of Planning Applications Approved

11/07457/FUL *Decision: Application Permitted*

Address: Apple Tree Cottage Flowers Bottom Lane Speen Buckinghamshire HP27 0PZ

Proposal: Householder application for the construction of a single storey front extension

11/07616/FUL *Decision: Application Permitted*

Address: Horseshoe Cottage Lower Road Loosley Row Buckinghamshire HP27 0NU

Proposal: Householder application for the construction of a two storey side extension and two storey front extension

11/07513/FUL *Decision: Application Permitted*

Address: Ashlea Main Road Lacey Green Buckinghamshire HP27 0QN

Proposal: Householder application for construction of two storey front and two storey side extensions

11/07771/MINAMD *Decision: Application Permitted*

Address: Longfield Chapel Hill Speen Buckinghamshire HP27 0SP

Proposal: Proposed non-material amendment to permission for Householder application for construction of single storey side and rear extensions granted under 11/05861/FUL

11/07526/CTREE *Decision: Not to make a Tree Preservation*

Address: Woodbine Cottage Studridge Lane Speen Buckinghamshire HP27 0SA

Proposal: Reduce height by 2.5m & width all round by 1m to 1 Hawthorn tree (T1), reduce height 2m by & width all round by 1.5m to 3 Conifers (T2,T3,T4), reduce height by 2m & width all round by 1.5m to 1 Flowering Plum (T5), reduce by 2m all round & thin to maintain health of tree to 1 Apple tree (T6), thin branches from inside tree branch spread to maintain health of tree to 1 Apple tree (T7) & reduce height by 2m & width by 1.5m & thin to maintain health of tree to 1 Plum tree (T8)

c. To Receive Notice of Planning Applications Refused

None.

7. APPROVAL OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BUDGET.

VAT

1306	Maintenance	PRTC - 8/10 Maintenance contract fee	£250.00	£50.00	£300.00
1307	Hire of Hall	Speen Village Hall - Hall hire 05/12/2011	£20.00		£20.00
1308	Risk Assess	K Dobson - Risk Inspection Report -December 2011	£26.93		£26.93
1309	Cllrs Training	WDALC - Training for D Clay and J Sherlock	£15.00		£15.00
1310	Insurance	Came & Co - Annual premium for PC insurance policy	£990.47		£990.47
S/o	Maintenance	PRTC -9/10 Maintenance contract fee	£250.00	£50.00	£300.00
S/O	Clerks fees	S Griffiths	£340.00		£340.00

Lloyds TSB - Bank Interest £2.16

Bank Balance £56,027.64(allowing for the above entries)

The receipts for December and January and payments for February were examined by the Council. The above payments were **approved by all present** and the necessary cheques signed.

8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL.

Getting to Grips with Localism and Neighbourhood Planning Workshop - 8th March 2012

Noted

Request for Bunting from J Holmes on behalf of Speen.

All present agreed to share the Parish Council's allocation equally between Loosley Row, Lacey Green and Speen.

A request for a Grant for St John's Church, Lacey Green

All present agreed that the PC is unable to issue a further grant in addition to the one allowed for in the 2012/2013 budget as all the funds have now been allocated. However if additional assistance is required in 2013/2014, consideration can be made at the Estimates meeting if the Church applies in October 2012.

SG

Risk Inspection report

The Clerk was pleased to confirm that there are no issues requiring attention.

9. REPORTS ON ROADS, VERGES AND RIGHTS OF WAY IN THE PARISH

Cllr D Clay has been requested by a local resident to raise the issue of the height of the oak tree by Speen Pond in Studridge Lane. **All present agreed** that no further work on the trees is required at the present time as Four Seasons Tree Care removed all dead wood and crowned the oak tree in September 2010.

10. AN UPDATE ON THE GARDEN OF REST

Cllr D Claydon informed the members that Cllr C Davies was in the process of arranging for the hedge to be cut at the Garden of Rest. **CD**

11. A REPORT FROM THE WEBSITE WORKING GROUP

All present agreed to co-opt a member of the public, Ms. Jeanette Allen to the Working Group.

12. THE TENDER DOCUMENT FOR QUOTATIONS FOR THE FOUNDATIONS AND RAILINGS FOR THE MEMORIAL IN THE GARDEN OF REST.

Cllr R Craft circulated a draft copy of the document to the Councillors and requested any comments and amendments are made to him before the next meeting to enable the document to be updated and a decision made at the March meeting. Councillors were further requested to provide Cllr R Craft with details of recommended contractors to request tenders for the work. **ALL**

13. APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR THE YEAR 2011/2012

All present agreed to appoint Mr D Timms as the internal auditor for the year 2011/2012

14. THE LEVEL OF COVER OF THE PARISH COUNCIL INSURANCE POLICY AND WHETHER TO RENEW THE POLICY WITH AVIVA FOR THE COMING YEAR.

All present agreed that the present level of cover is sufficient and that the quotation received for a 3 year agreement with Aviva is considered to be the best value. **All present agreed** for the Clerk to sign the 3 year Long Term Agreement on behalf of the council. **SG**

15. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ON MEETINGS THAT THEY HAVE ATTENDED.

Reports were received from the members on the meetings that they had attended on behalf of the council.

16. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

To be advised.

17. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 5th March 2012 at Lacey Green Village Hall at 7.30pm. There being no further business to discuss the Meeting closed at 9.40pm

Chairman.....

Date.....