

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
LACEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 8th APRIL 2013 AT 7.30PM
IN SPEEN VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT

Cllr Mrs C Davies (Chairman)
Cllrs D Claydon, J Sherlock, D Clay, R Craft and Mrs M Hughes
Clerk Caroline Page
2 members of the public

A representation was received from a member of the public concerning her campaign to obtain a gas supply to Speen and North Dean. The Parish Council was requested to support the campaign as the application must be made via the Parish Council. Cllr C Davies asked the resident to send an email to the Clerk explaining her requirements and said the Clerk would reply on her return from holiday. Cllr C Davies asked that the item be added to next month's agenda for a decision. **SG**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr T Molesworth

2. MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council meeting on the 4th March 2013, 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

Cllr M Hughes gave an update on matters relating to Miss Lacey Green. She is returning to the village with a film crew in August and is seeking accommodation for one night. Cllr M Hughes offered to investigate possible places. Cllr C Davies suggested a building at Grymsdyke Farm, owned by an artist, which has dormitories. Cllr M Hughes has alerted Rebecca Cain at the Bucks Free Press to the visit. **MH**

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

Apologies were received from WDC Cllr Mel Foster. Cllr C Davies delivered the report on council matters from WDC. Cllr D Claydon requested that Cllr M Foster be asked to take up the issue of recycling collections, as a smaller lorry now serves properties from White House Farm into Speen. Using the large lorry to go there is no longer necessary with its attendant dangers to walkers and wildlife. **SG**

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a. To consider New Planning Applications

13/05505/VCDN Green Acres, Lower Road, Loosley Row, Buckinghamshire, HP27 0PF

Proposal: Variation of condition 4 (non-reflective glazing in rear elevation) of planning permission 09/05781/FUL for the raising of roof and construction of front, rear and side extensions to allow the use of soft e glazing in rear elevation extensions.

The Parish Council has no objection to this application.

13/05503/CLP Green Hayes, Main Road, Lacey Green, Buckinghamshire, HP27 0PL

Proposal: Certificate of proposed lawfulness for single storey rear extension.

The Parish Council has no comment on this application.

13/05345/FUL Woodbyne Farm, (Woodbyne Fitness Clinic Ltd) Main Road, Lacey Green, Buckinghamshire, HP27 0QH

Proposal: Change of use of barn to form toilets, showers, changing area and treatment room to be used in connection with the existing gym (retrospective)

The Parish Council has no objection to this application.

13/05543/FUL: 13 Roundlands Lacey Green Buckinghamshire HP27 0QL

Proposal: Householder application for construction of two storey front and side extension and new porch
The Parish Council has no objection to this application.

13/05651/FUL: Highways, Pink Road, Lacey Green, Buckinghamshire, HP27 0PG

Proposal: Householder application for construction of single storey rear extension, internal and external alterations to existing dwelling and construction of new detached garage/garden store. Siting of temporary mobile home during construction work.

The Parish Council has no objection to this application.

13/05673/CTREE: Applegate Cottage, Studridge Lane, Speen, Buckinghamshire HP27 0SA

Proposal: Fell Ash to rear of the property.

The Parish Council would prefer to see the crown thinned rather than the tree felled, but will abide by the decision of the District Arboriculturalist.

13/05749/CTREE: Grace Cottage, Church Lane, Lacey Green, Buckinghamshire HP27 0QX

Proposal: Fell 1 no Yew (T1)

The Parish Council is a little alarmed that this is the second application to fell a tree in 6 months and would like the District Arboriculturalist to consider alternatives.

b. To Receive Notice of Planning Applications Approved

13/05297/FUL: Canastel Water Lane Speen Buckinghamshire HP27 0SW

Proposal: Householder application for the proposed construction of a rear conservatory

12/07952/FUL: Orchard Cottage Hampden Road Speen Buckinghamshire HP27 0RU

Proposal: Householder application for construction of single storey rear extension following demolition of rear conservatory

13/05094/FUL: April Cottage, Archway, Speen, Buckinghamshire HP27 0SB

Proposal: Householder application for construction of first floor side extension

13/05023/FUL: Pye Corner, Chapel Hill, Speen, Buckinghamshire HP27 0SP

Proposal: Householder application for demolition of existing double garage & erection of new double garage with ancillary accommodation in the roofspace with glazed link extension to main dwelling.

13/05343/CTREE: Orchard Cottage, Studridge Lane, Speen, Buckinghamshire HP27 0SA

Proposal: Fell Beech (T3), Silver Birch (T4), Pear (T5) and Cherry (T6) due to alleged influence of the tree(s) on the soil below building foundation level and provide long term stability to the Boundary, Studridge Lane, Speen

Decision: Not to make a Tree Preservation Order

13/05165/CLP: Valley Cottage, Highwood Bottom, Speen, Buckingham HP27 0PY

Proposal: Construction of two storey front elevation extension to original dwelling and associated works as shown on drawing numbers 3656 PLA 1.01 and 3656 PLA 1.00

Decision: Grant Certificate of Proposed Use

c. To Receive Notice of Planning Applications Refused

None.

d. Appeal Decision

12/06548/FUL Orchards, Main Road, Lacey Green, Buckinghamshire HP27 0QT
The Appeal is allowed and planning permission is granted for a new detached garage.

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

The receipts for March and payments for April were examined by the Council.
The below payments were **approved by all present** and the necessary cheques signed.

VAT

1377	Subs	BALC -Annual Subscription	316.16		316.16
1378	Subs	WDALC - Subscription	10.00		10.00
1379	Risk Assess	K Dobson - Risk Assessment Duties	26.93		£26.93
1380	Grant	Speen Playing Fields	250.00		£250.00
1381	Grant	Speen Village Hall	250.00		250.00
1382	Grant	Speen Festival	500.00		500.00
1383	Grant	St. Johns Church	200.00		200.00
1384	Grant	Lacey Green & Loosley Row Village Hall	100.00		£100.00
1385	Sect 137 Grant	Lacey Green Windmill Restoration Committee	150.00		£150.00
1386	Grant	Community Bus	250.00		£250.00
d/d	Subs	CPRE - Annual Subscription	£29.00		£29.00
s/o	Maintenance	PRTC 01/10- Maintenance duties	260.00		£312.00
				52.00	
s/o	Clerks fees	S Griffiths - April Salary	340.00		£340.00

Receipts -Lloyds TSB - Bank Interest £1.58
-WDC – Precept £12,722.18
-HMRC - Refund of VAT £ 4,145.77

Bank Balance £59,409.00 (allowing for the above entries).

8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL.

Response from WDC re Green Pastures dated 28.03.2013
No action required.

Details of this year's State of the Chilterns Environment Seminar which is to take place on Monday 22nd April at Coleshill Village Hall, nr Amersham, Bucks.

Noted

Letter from WDC re Wycombe District Local Plan 'Community Conservations' dated 03.03.2013

Cllr J Sherlock explained that the proposal by WDC Planning Department is to get all the Parish Councils within a certain area to get together to discuss the Local Plan. Cllr C Davies expressed the opinion that this is a duplication of effort as all the Councils mentioned in the letter are already members of the North West Chilterns Area Forum. She proposed replying to Mr Pantel suggesting that a 15 minute slot could be found for the 'Community Conversations' at meetings of the NWCAF. A letter should also be sent to the NWCAF asking if they would be willing to allow this. **All present agreed.** **SG**

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

Cllr D Claydon requested that the Clerk report to BCC that ivy and weeds are growing under the pavement of the footpath outside St John's Church in Church Lane, Lacey Green. **SG**

10. AN UPDATE ON THE GARDEN OF REST

Cllr D Claydon reported that Cllr J Sherlock had turned the water back on. Nothing else to report.

11. THE ACTION TO BE TAKEN CONCERNING THE NOTICE BOARD IN SPEEN AND THE SPEEN BUS SHELTERS.

Cllr R Craft reported that due to the recent very cold weather he has not yet had a meeting with the contractor, but will do so before the next meeting. **RC**

12. ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON THE MAINTENANCE OF THE NOTICEBOARD IN WESTLANDS ROAD
Cllr D Claydon will give the key to Cllr C Davies, who will then give it to the contractor. **DC/CD**

13. THE PREFERRED CONTRACTORS FOR THE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

All present agreed to appoint the Princes Risborough Town Council Maintenance team as the preferred contractors for the maintenance contract for 2013. Cllr R Craft proposed signing the standing order for this and **all present agreed**.

14. WHETHER TO PROVIDE A LOAN FOR SPEEN VILLAGE HALL

Cllr D Clay presented a list of trustees of Speen Village Hall, together with 2 years' audited accounts to 2012. He explained the reasons for the loan and stressed that it would be repaid within 1 year. He assured the meeting that the Treasurer of the Village Hall will set up a Direct Debit or Standing Order for future bill payments so that the problem cannot arise again. Cllr C Davies proposed granting the loan, and accepting the terms of repayment subject to the agreement of the RFO. Cllr M Hughes seconded. A vote was taken and **the motion was carried** unanimously. **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. Cllr J Sherlock reported that at the meeting of WDALC a 25 year service certificate was awarded to Cllr D Claydon. Cllr C Davies reported that she had attended the meeting of the NW Chilterns Area Forum. County Cllr Richard Pushman is standing down. A quotation had been obtained to open up the footpath between Culverton Crossroads and the Upper Icknield Way: the cost quoted is £ 46,000.00. This proposal has been rejected and an alternative quotation will be obtained. Cllr D Claydon had a meeting with the Local Area Technician. They will meet again in May and will discuss the trees in Wardrobes Lane.

16. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

To discuss and decide on progressing the application for gas supply to Speen.

17. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 13th May 2013 at 7.30pm in Lacey Green Village Hall.

There being no further business to discuss the Meeting closed at 9.20 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....