## LANE END PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 2020 HELD VIA ZOOM

**ATTENDANCE:** Cllrs Detsiny – Chairman, Achurch, Coulter, Dunning, Harries, Hunt, Nolan, Osborn, Sarney, Stewart and Wright.

**CLERK:** Mrs Hayley Glasgow

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 2** 

1) Apologies for absence

None.

2) Declarations of any personal or prejudicial interests

None

# MEETING CLOSED FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS **MEETING RE-OPEN**

Due to public interest the Chairman agreed to move this item to the beginning of the meeting.

3) Chalky Fields - S106 agreement

A Parishioner has submitted documents to the Parish Council in relation to the S106 agreement and a proposed

The Parish Council agreed that the Parishioner should write a letter signed by residents to the Legal and Democratic Department at Buckinghamshire Council. The Parish Council will endorse this letter with a letter of support.

Due to public interest the Chairman agreed that this item should be discussed next.

4) To discuss the turning circle at Sandyfield Allotments

A proposal has been submitted to move the access gate about a car width into Sandyfield Allotments. This would create a turning/waiting area.

The landowner of High Barns expressed concerns that whilst allotment holders lock/unlock the gate, they park on the track and if a vehicle is coming up the track, they cannot pass.

If a vehicle cannot access Sandyfield Allotments or High Barns there is currently nowhere to turn and the only option is to reverse back onto the main road which is dangerous.

Allotment tenants have said that they do not agree with the turning circle and by moving the gates back would create an issue with parking at the first 2 allotments.

It was agreed that Councillor Stewart would meet with allotment holders to discuss this further. This will be discussed again at the December meeting.

i) Approval of the Full Parish Council Meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> October.

Council approved the minutes. The Chairman will sign the minutes at a later date.

ii) Approval of the minutes of the Closed Session Meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> October. Council approved the minutes. The Chairman will sign the minutes at a later date.

6) Matters raised by Councillors

None.

7) Finance i) Approval of the accounts for October 2020.

Council approved the expenditure of £9225.68. Council noted the income was £1065.16. Council noted the current account closing balance of £176,042.09

> ii) Chairman's Allowance

To be discussed under the donation to Community Matters.

Licence fee for The Orchard.

The initial advice from the Solicitor was that the licence should be reviewed annually. However, the legal costs are greater than the rent. Council agreed to defer seeking legal advice for 2/3 years.

Council agreed to ask for a small inflation rent increase. The annual rent was agreed at £625.00.

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33/2020 8) Bus Shelters i) Confirmation of painting the Bus Shelters Action Council received a quotation to sand and paint the six bus shelters in the Parish. The preferred colour is dark Clerk green. The quotation is £2250.00 to complete the works including labour and materials. Council agreed for the works to go ahead. ii) Quotation for new Perspex in the bus shelters The Parish Council has received a quotation to install new Perspex in the bus shelters. Council agreed to Action -Clerk reconsider this towards the end of the financial year. To consider the following donations Lane End Football Club i) Action -The application for a donation was submitted before the recently announced lockdown. Lane End Football Clerk Team will be unable to train during the lockdown period and therefore the Parish Council has deferred this decision until the December meeting. The Clerk will contact the South West Chilterns Community Board on behalf of the football club about possible funding options. Lane End Players Action -The Parish Council are hopeful that the Lane End Players will be able to arrange an outdoor performance on Clerk 20th December 2020. However, with the recent lockdown guidance, we don't know at this stage if this can go ahead. The decision has been deferred until the December Meeting. The Clerk will contact the South West Chilterns Community Board on behalf of the Lane End Players about possible funding options. Action -Clerk **Community Matters** iii) Community Matters has been running for over nine years. It was set up to support those in our parish who are in need and have been referred by Health Visitors, GP surgery, Social Workers and Lane End primary school. It is run by volunteers from Holy Trinity Church. As well as running a food bank, they offer support in many other ways. The Chairman has offered to donate all of the Chairman's Allowance to Community Matters. A donation of £900 was agreed by the Parish Council. 10) Update re the Chalky Field Site The preferred developer has submitted their best offer to the Parish Council. As a public body, the Parish Council is obliged to ensure they receive best value for the site. Due to the commercially sensitive nature, this will be discussed further in closed session. Action -11) Tree works Clerk Council received various quotations from different contractors for tree works required. i) Lane End Village Green Action -Clerk Council agreed the quotation provided from Ridgeway Woodlands of £2050. ii) Land off Ridge Close Action -Clerk Council agreed the quotation provided from Ridgeway Woodlands of £460.00 to plant a new tree. This is to replace the fallen tree. **Bunkers Allotments** Action -Clerk Council agreed the quotation provided from Ridgeway Woodlands of £410.00. Sandyfield Allotments iv) Action -Clerk Council agreed the quotation from idgeway Woodlands of £1400.00 Council asked if Ridgeway Woodlands would offer a discount due to the amount of quotations accepted. Action v) Moorend Common Clerk Council agreed the quotation from South Bucks Tree Surgeons of £3516.00

# 12) Lane End Playing Fields

### i) General update

Due to the new lockdown restrictions, the Pavilion will be closed until 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020. Re-opening will take place in-line with Government guidelines.

ii) Enhancements to club/social area

The Lane End Sports Association Committee would like to update the social area of the Pavilion. BMKALC advised that as the building is owned by the Parish Council, normally refurbishment works would be undertaken by the Parish Council/owner of the building.

Lane End Sports Association has offered to make a donation to the Parish Council to cover the costs of the refurbishment. This would cause an issue with VAT liability.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would undertake the refurbishment works on the social area and that LESA would permanently take over another revenue cost.

The discussion will be progressed further in closed session as the revenue cost would involve an employee.

The Parish Council would require a letter of agreement to the change of revenue costs from the Lane End Sports Association before works commence.

iii) Update on the land adjoining the entrance

joining

Action -

Clerk

Two Parish Councillors were asked to meet with a planning advisor on behalf of the owner of the land adjoining the playing fields.

The landowner is considering submitting a planning application to build houses. Council was informed that the visibility when entering/exiting the driveway would need to be altered and this would include 45 meters either side of the driveway. The common is currently used as unofficial parking of residents by The Row.

As part of the arrangement the owner has discussed widening the access, moving the gate into the playing fields back and installing new gates at their cost.

The Parish Council will not comment on this planning application until it has been submitted.

iv) Update on purchasing additional land

The Council has been made aware that approximately 6 acres of land immediately adjoining Lane End Playing Fields could be purchased from the current owner.

Council received a valuation. The owner of the land understands that the Parish Council would not be in a position to purchase the land unless the sale of Chalky Field is completed.

The land would be used for recreation. Council agreed to send a letter to the current owner with a firm expression of interest but advising that an purchase would be dependent on a sale of Chalky Field.

### 13) Clerks report

The items below summarise the Clerks activities since the last meeting.

- i. Electrical vehicle charging points update re Lane End Village Hall Car Park HP14 3HE. I have sent a letter to Buckinghamshire Council to grant permission for them or any consultant that they may authorise to seek and apply for a grid connection on our land for the purpose of connecting electric vehicle charging equipment to the local electricity distribution network.
  - Edmonds Road Car Park is owned by Red Kite Housing Association therefore Buckinghamshire Council cannot progress this as it needs to be local authority owned land.
  - Finings Road Car Park is owned by Buckinghamshire Council and they are looking at this as an option.
  - The Playing Fields Car Park is not deemed an option as access is required 24 hours.
- ii. Cllr Detsiny will lay the poppy wreaths at the war memorial on Remembrance Sunday.

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- iii. I have been contacted by the Community Board Coordinator, South West Chiltern Area re what they do/can offer. I have invited them to the December Parish Council zoom meeting to do a 10 minute presentation at the beginning of the meeting.
- iv. I have reported a broken drain cover on Simmons Way to Buckinghamshire Council.
- v. I received a complaint about hedges overgrowing a footpath. A letter has been sent to the property owner concerned.
- vi. I contacted John Morris with regards to Moorend Common and Ditchfield Common funding. Due to covid I am aware that some grants have been pulled back and therefore I have asked if he knows of any grants that LEPC can apply for.
- vii. Buckinghamshire Council has received some opposition from residents re Strawberry Grove using Harris Garden for a small seating area. Strawberry Grove are speaking to the residents re their concerns.
- viii. I am awaiting information from Buckinghamshire Council re the possibility of installing bollards on Harris Gardens to prevent parking.
- ix. I have been informed that the application for a Lane End kebab van was denied.
- x. I have confirmed with the Internal Auditor that they have been selected to complete next years audit.
- xi. I have confirmed with the Lane End Players that they have permission to use Ditchfield Common for the Christmas performance, weather and Covid restrictions dependent.
- xii. Cllr Wright has made the changes to the tenancy agreement as agreed at the last parish council meeting.
- xiii. We have received a number of the allotment rent payments. Some rents outstanding.
- xiv. There are currently no allotment plots vacant.
- xv. I have received various reports of streetlights not working. All have been reported.
- xvi. I have agreed a new package with BT for the office.
- xvii. I have replied to the VH committee regarding funds from the potential sale of Chalky Field.
- xviii. Several things reported on fixmystreet.

#### 14) Invitations to Meetings, Correspondence & Reports received

Council noted the correspondence received.

## 15) Matters raised by Councillors

Cllr Hunt reported that the hedges adjoining the Muzwell Farm track are very overgrown. Neighboring properties have discussed paying for this to be cut back. The Clerk received a quotation from Buckland Landscapes of £440.00. The Clerk will write to the hedge owner and ask them to cut it back in the first instance. Cllr Dunning reported that the lamppost on Simmons Way has not yet been repaired. The Clerk will chase SSE.

### **16) Planning –** to consider new planning applications:

20/07616/VCDN | Variation of condition 2 (plan) attached to 20/05431/FUL (Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2 x semi-detached dwellings together with a modified crossover and a new crossover) to allow for scheme to be carried out and completed in accordance with the revised proposals | The Haven Marlow Road Lane End Buckinghamshire HP14 3JW. No objection.

**Meeting to be closed** in accordance with LGA 1972, ss 100 and Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 to discuss –

### 17) Chalky Field

18) Land at Sandyfield Allotments	36/2020	
19) Staff matters		
NEXT MEETING: Full Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2020 venue or Zoom meeting link to be confirmed.		
Hayley Glasgow, Clerk to Lane End		
Meeting closed at 20.58.		
The ChairmanDate		