

Longstanton Parish Council



Minutes of the Meeting of the Council, held at Longstanton Village Hall on Monday 17th April 2023 at 19:34.

Present: Cllr. Wycherley, (Chair), Cllr. Street and Cllr. Brash-Hall, Cllr. Ferreira

In attendance: J Sinclair (Clerk) and no members of the public.

22-23/108 Apologies for absence
Cllr. delaMare-Lyon (Work Commitment) and Cllr. Chapman (Work Commitment)

22-23/109 Councillors' Declarations of Interest
None.

22-23/110 Public Participation (10 minutes in total)
None

22-23/111 Anonymous comments, questions & suggestions
The clerk followed up on the request for Cllrs. to respond to queries raised during the Facebook Q&A. It was decided that Cllr. Brash-Hall and Cllr. Street would respond to questions about the Pavilion project. Cllr. Ferreira would respond to the question regarding verges and village tidiness and the Clerk will write a response to the question about the Village Institute.

District Cllr. Warren-Green and District Cllr. Bygott arrived at 19:39.

22-23/112 Approval of Minutes
a) The minutes from the meeting of 13th March 2023 were approved as an accurate record by Cllr. Wycherley and Cllr. Brash-Hall

It was proposed by Cllr. Wycherley and unanimously approved that the main agenda was paused at this time so that reports could be received from District Councillors. Apologies were received from County Cllr. Thompson.

22-23/116 District Cllr. Warren-Green queried the date of LPC's Annual Parish Meeting, as other Parishes are beginning to advertise theirs.

ACTION: Clerk to poll Parish Councillors for their availability in May.

District Cllr. Warren Green and District Cllr. Bygott left the meeting at 20:00

22-23/113 Co-option to fill vacancy.
The Clerk reported that no applications have been made.

22-23/114 Planning

- a) No Comment made

22-23/115 Regular Reports – to receive an update on

- a) Cllr. Wycherley provided a report from the recent LEGG meeting, including information from the CCTV Survey.
Cllr. Brash-Hall updated the council on ground water matters.
- b) Cllr. Wycherley gave an update on the unauthorised 'parking space' along the B1050. L&Q are to make the area secure to deter motorists from pulling into the gateway.
- c) The announcement to open the Southern Access Road was noted.
- d) No update provided
- e) No update provided
- f) No update provided
- g) No update provided
- h) It was noted that Hatton Park Primary School has a new Headteacher in post at the start of the summer term.

ACTION: Clerk to make contact and introduction to new Headteacher

District Cllr. Warren Green and District Cllr. Bygott arrived at 20:10.

It was proposed by Cllr. deLaMare-Lyon and unanimously approved that the main agenda was paused at this time so that reports could be received from District Councillors. Apologies were received from County Cllr. Thompson.

22-23/118 Parish Council Matters

- a) The deed of grant provided by Anglian Water was signed by Cllr. Wycherley and Cllr. Ferreira.
- b) The Clerk reported on a lack of LPC branding for events in the village and proposed the purchase of a printed marquee and accompanying flags. A budget of £1500 was approved for the purchase. Cllr. Brash-Hall questioned the permission to sell food in the Pavilion Car Park.
ACTION: Clerk to proceed with purchase of Marquee.
ACTION: Clerk to check the Recreation Ground covenant.
- c) It was unanimously agreed that the Clerk should be trained up to conduct play equipment inspections.
ACTION: Clerk to sign up to suitable training course.
- d) It was agreed that funds should be made available to the Recreation Ground charity to top-up funds for pitch maintenance.
- e) This item was deferred to the next meeting. It was questioned if roads with 20mph speed limits receive slower maintenance responses than those of higher limits.
ACTION: Clerk to make enquiries with Oakington PC who have already adopted a 20mph limit.

- f) The Clerk reported that SCDC had confirmed the owners of the waste bins are LPC.
 - g) No update provided.
ACTION: Clerk to request update on pending FOI request.
 - h) The Clerk reported on updated information regarding the trees.
ACTION: Clerk to visit site and make contact with resident.
 - i) No update provided.
 - j) The Clerk reported on the successful completion of the community tree planting event. After discussion it was agreed that future events would be of benefit, perhaps planting spring bulbs if they can be sourced at a reasonable price.
 - k) The Clerk reported on wear and tear damage to a bench at the Recreation Ground play area and damage to litter bins in the area.
ACTION: Clerk to make contact with Brookfield to undertake the same works completed with other benches in the same area.
 - l) Deferred to next meeting
 - m) Deferred to next meeting
 - n) Deferred to next meeting
 - o) Cllr. Wycherley provided the council with an update regarding the Northstowe Phase One allotment membership regulations.
 - p) The Clerk provided an update on communications.
- 22-23/117** (Rescheduled)
- a) Cllr. Wycherley and Cllr. Ferreira checked finance reports and approved payments to be made.

The meeting was closed at 21:43

Signed  (Chairman)

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