

LONG ITCHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Meeting on Wed, 1st July 2015 at 7.30 p.m.
in the Community Centre, Stockton Road, Long Itchington

In attendance:

Ian Briggs (Chair IB)	Barbara Atkins (BA)	Linda Clark (LC)
Jon Venn (JV)	Sally Shillitoe (SS)	Wendy Charles (WC)
Rosie Reeves (RR)	Richard Jackson (RJ)	

Liz Bonney (Clerk- LB)

County Councillor: Bob Stevens (BS)

District Councillor: Dave Riches (DR)

MINUTES

		Action
1.0	Apologies accepted:	
2.0	Questions from members of the public: 0	
3.0	Declaration of Interests: Each member of the Council is responsible for determining if they have a personal interest in any item on the agenda and should declare it at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a prejudicial interest the member must withdraw from the room unless one of the exceptions applies. Councillors are reminded that they must act solely in the public interest and should never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person or act to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, friends or close associates. IB Viking Green	
4.0	Minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd June 2015 to be approved: BA proposed the minutes as a true record and LC seconded the proposal and it was agreed by all.	None
5.0	Police items/Neighbourhood Watch: WC informs the group there is currently a scam email about attending court. During the hot weather we should remind people to be sensible with doors/windows. Speed gun, currently waiting for police checks. Letter about a resident has been paced on notice boards, if spotted take them down, contact police. A resident approached youths playing golf, and received abuse.	
6.1	Report from County Councillor Stevens: WCC working through budget revisions, and implications. For schools admission, Southam College, is expected to take over 320 children even though the recommended number is 210. So it needs to expand quicker than expected. School transport to grammar schools now needs to be paid for. BS feels this should not be applied to current pupils but details are not final. HS2 moving along, additional provisions going ahead, this process should finish around Christmas, it then then moves to the lords, but this should be a quicker process. Greater Birmingham authority is moving along, Digby Jones has expressed interest in being mayor but as an independent. Warks would join with Coventry but not so keen on going with Birmingham at this stage. It would be for economic and transport benefit, not a political alliance at the moment. County Councillor grant will be out soon. Cllr's should start thinking about suitable projects. Model Village footpath to village will be looked at with the council road grant.	ALL
6.2	Report from District Councillor Riches: Core Strategy progress, everything apart from numbers is in line with NPPF. Discussions around overall numbers, they are likely to be increased. Potential for another strategic site in SDC. LSV	

	numbers should stay the same. IB, what amount of LSV has been used, DR responds over 1500 of the 2000 capacity is already built. DR believes 20 th July very significant. Thanks from IB to DR and BS for all their hard work	
7.0	Committee Reports:	
7.1	Communications: BA would like to agree the communications policy. JV suggests, once draft is complete send out policy and ratify it at September meeting.	
7.2	Community Centre: Recent Summer show was a good day, some profit, went well, well managed. IB suggests looking into getting bicycle racks with Cllr Stevens or other suitable grants. Still looking for deputy care taker. SS suggests flyers around local area. Competition for name plate in village, some good local designs need to start commissioning design. Film night planned for July, the format seems to be going well and will progress with regular films.	
7.3	Emergency Planning: IB- Grant applied for but it's for civil engineering only Meeting to be organised before winter.	
7.4	Finance: Cheque list for approval: IB declared an interest in cheque 3831 WC proposes, SS seconds the proposal and it is agreed by all.	IB
7.4.1	Monthly Financial Report: See attachment	
7.5	LILAC Project: Wetland feature, LILAC have requested some support from Warwickshire wildlife trust. Some funding from Cllr Stevens, and Life will be used but further funding is required. RJ proposes the Parish Council support the project and supplement the required £600 needed, all agree. Outdoor gym equipment, WREN happy to support if we can show a need. SS suggests a trim trail leaflet, how to get gym better used. Need to demonstrate big interest in gym. Changing rooms and toilet renovations, have been presented to Giles Brockbank with a view to securing S106 money. Playground at Leigh Crescent, LILAC will apply to Cemex Trial with wildflower seeds to be arranged on LILAC field. WC so overgrown at present, what can be done? LC scooters struggling on path. Clerk to look at options and report back	LB
7.5.1	Footpath report: See notes below. IB please read.	
7.6	Planning- Monthly report: See note below. LC and RR to look at Brakeley Cottage	
7.6.1	Solar Farm: BA reports from Ian Stillwell, Bascote residents are using a consultant. BA to ask why Canal rivers trust not a consultee. LC we have surveys from March consultation to demonstrate strong opposition. BA feels we should object with good reasons. BS suggests contacting Deppers Bridge. LB to contact Alison Biddle for support. IB feels we should object on behalf of residents, SS believes boat users and tourists will be strongly affected. RR is concerned about the impact of electricity pylons. Those in favour of objecting, 6 Cllrs. RR is not objecting to a solar farm but position of this one is wrong. One Cllr has no objection.	BA LB
7.6.2	Enforcement matters: Snowford Hill ongoing issues with SDC involved.	

7.6.3	<p>Housing Development Update: Neighbourhood plan, SS reports a productive meeting with Matthew Neal and has plans for the way forward. At the meeting, it was decided to have a launch in October, of the neighbourhood plan. The aim is to be at two venues on the same day, the group are currently working on a tag line, DR will you be identifying sites for development?</p> <p>Bloor homes development: DR suggests the P.C object using the emerging lsv policy to Bloor, as secondary argument, what will be first reason for refusal? Suggestions are visual impact, social cohesion, deliverability? IB feels it is a difficult choice with problems of car boot, camping etc against 58 houses. BA suggests SS reads the P.C submission. DR believes just using lsv puts committee at risk of costs. WC feels the majority of village against so we need to fight it. DR you need a very solid material reason. BA will do the research, RJ to write something, BA to create a table of facts for answering questions. Character and ethos of village very valid reason. Speaker on behalf of village is required.</p> <p>Collingham Lane, DR reports there are lots of problems, bats, newts, traffic etc. Cemex appeal, will be heard 1st December. Development around codemasters could be looked at as a strategic site as well as Polo ground.</p>	BA/RJ
8.6.4	<p>Planning rota: LC, SS, RR with JV shadowing.</p>	
9	<p>Meeting attended/forthcoming meetings: Camden Ventures: 30th June 7pm- 4 present, Ian Kibble advised the full submission will be within 10 days. Traffic calming already being looked at. Toilets were viewed as a possible contribution. BA and IB to respond to Camden Ventures. Discussions non existent with Water Margin Rosconn/David Wilson: 1st July 6:30pm Anthony and Patrick from David Wilson homes. Showed a more detailed plan of layout. Asked questions regarding traffic, car park etc. Access of car park from school, need clarity on ownership of land. Puffin crossing needs to be built before homes occupied. Bloor Planning Committee: Date unconfirmed EWP: 20th July 7pm Finance: 3rd August 7pm change to day.</p>	BA/IB
10	<p>Any other business- Information only RJ- Thanks and fair well to Russ, what should we do to mark his leaving? BA- Afternoon tea and surgery 30th July and 27th August? BA - Advise community about getting names on housing list in diary and email. LB- Clerk advises Dowdswell has gone into receivership LB- Handyman role, JV to work with Clerk to look at regulations. WC- Youth Shelter, was agreed to move it for free. Formally write to CEMEX asking for help. BA suggests two more quotes. DR suggests a working party to move the youth shelter. RR- Cricket Pavilion, very impressed with building and open day. BS – Community forum Sept 9th DR- Contact DR after 20th for feedback on Core Strategy.</p>	
11	<p>Date of future Parish meetings: 2nd Sept, 7th Oct, 4th Nov, 2nd Dec</p>	

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10:05pm

Signed Date.....

Planning Applications – June 2015

15/02124/FUL	17/06/2015	Pending Consideration	No.1 Brakeley Cottages The Green Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QJ	Replacement garden room
15/01792/LDP	05/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	2 Southam Road Long Itchington Warwickshire	Installation of external wall insulation.

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15/01799/LDP	05/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	11 Southam Road Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QY	Installation of external wall insulation
15/01795/LDP	05/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	4 Southam Road Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QY	Installation of external wall insulation
15/01798/LDP	05/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	9 Southam Road Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QY	Installation of external wall insulation
15/01796/LDP	05/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	8 Southam Road Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QY	Installation of external wall insulation
15/01783/LDP	04/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	34 Stockton Road Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QP	Installation of external wall insulation
15/01782/LDP	04/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	28 Stockton Road Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QP	Installation of external wall insulation
15/01787/LDP	04/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	50 Stockton Road Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QP	Installation of external wall insulation
15/01786/LDP	04/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	40 Stockton Road Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QP	Installation of external wall insulation
15/01800/LDP	04/06/2015	Proposed Lawful Development - Permitted	13 Southam Road Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QY	Installation of external wall insulation
15/01740/FUL	03/06/2015	Pending Consideration	Land At Bascote Road Long Itchington	Installation of up to 14,500 solar panels supported on up to 234

				module tables, together with associated equipment to include 4 inverter cabins, 2 communication cabins, switchgear housing, and substation.
15/01935/FUL	02/06/2015	Pending Consideration	Dormers Bascote Southam CV47 2DU	Extension on front to form porch

LONG ITCHINGTON FOOTPATHS (Report To Parish Council – JUNE 2015)

Generally the footpaths are in a good state – at this time of the year the vegetation can quickly grow and so this is a focus of attention.

On Saturday 23rd May volunteers undertook a variety of small but necessary jobs including litter picking (particularly bad alongside hedgerow on opposite side of the road to The Two Boats and who are not responsible); replacing marker discs and putting in a new waymarker post. A review meeting was held at the Green Man at the end of the morning.

We are becoming increasingly concerned by the state of SM2 where it crosses the allotments. In the last six months two people have tripped up – one requiring paramedic assistance. We have reported our concerns to the Rights of Way team who are intending to raise the issue with the Highways Department who maintain footpaths which are tarmaced. We have emphasised the need for a site visit in the first instance.

Upcoming events include:

- Midsummer Day Walk - 21st June
- Orchid Walk - 22nd June
- Evening Walk – 6th August

Events are advertised on village/footpaths web pages; parish noticeboards and through emails using the Parish Council email list.