

LONG ITCHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting on Wed, 4th November 2015 at 7.30 p.m.

in the Community Centre, Stockton Road, Long Itchington

In attendance:

Ian Briggs (Chair IB)

Jon Venn (JV)

Wendy Charles (WC)

Barbara Atkins (BA) (taking minutes)

Richard Jackson (RJ)

Linda Clark (LC)

Rosie Reeve (RR)

Members of the Public:

Gerry Bailey

County Councillor: Absent

District Councillor: Absent

Clerk : Absent

Minutes

1.0	Apologies accepted: DR, SS, BS, LB	
2.0	Questions from members of the public: None.	
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. There were no declarations	
4.0	Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd September 2015 to be approved: Proposed by RJ, seconded by JV. The minutes were approved as a true record unanimously.	
5.0	Police items/Neighbourhood Watch: WC reported several incidents taking place in last few days. Speed Gun training taking place 23 rd November. There was a discussion about the future of NW and it was agreed to ask for volunteer co-ordinators in the next Diary. Request to Clerk to provide jackets and signs for training	BA / LB
6.1	Report from County Councillor Stevens: BS absent.	
6.2	Report from District Councillor Riches: DR absent.	
7.0	Committee Reports:	
7.1	Communications: BA reported the following from the Communications meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Website progressing slowly. DR now has full admin. rights and will assist.• Seriously considering PC Facebook page• Need for PC email accounts for councillors and for the email	

	<p>communications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Pack – will need funding for new residents and plan to re-vamp • Diary – changes to style and layout were discussed but it was decided to keep current format • Information Sheet for 2016 in hand • Strategy for new residents – it was agreed that this is not necessary. <p>Parish councillors endorsed all the above.</p>	
7.2	Community Centre: LC reported that there had not been a meeting since September. The grounds have received new plants and events are progressing well during the Xmas period.	
7.3	Emergency Planning: IB reported that urgent need for a “pump” team. He will approach younger members of the community.	IB
7.4	Finance: Cheque list for approval: Proposed for approval by JV and seconded by WC. Cheque list approved by all.	
7.4.1	Monthly Financial Report: See attachment, mostly on target, slight under-spend. RJ reported that all was in equilibrium. There is money available to spend before the end of the financial year. It was agreed to remove more street lights from our stock. The Environment Group was tasked with looking at ways of utilising the under-spend. There was a suggestion to establish a sinking fund for major capital replacement projects.	
7.5	LILAC Project: RJ reported that all projects are progressing well. It was agreed that an insert should go into the next Diary. Funding from WCC has been applied for.	RJ / BA
7.5.1	Youth Shelter: It was agreed to arrange a meeting with the residents to explain the technical difficulties encountered and decide next steps	BA
7.5.2	Footpath report: See attached. The councillors expressed their gratitude to Brian Smith and his team.	
7.5.3	Traffic Survey: RJ outlined what was planned and it was agreed to undertake a traffic survey as soon as possible in 5 locations.	RJ
7.6	Planning- Monthly report: The Arnprior application has been withdrawn in its current form. The proposal 15/03125/FUL – Councillors agreed that there were no sound planning reasons to object.	LC, JV, IB
7.6.1	Neighbourhood Planning: JV reported from the October meeting that the next steps are to write to all village organisations and groups in order to meet and discuss their views of the parish for the next 20 years.	
7.6.2	Enforcement matters: None	
7.6.3	Housing Development Update: BA tasked with finding out about the impending Appeal and contacting DW Homes via a management companies. IB tasked with contacting other PCs re: development management companies to gauge views. It was agreed to hold a separate meeting to discuss JV paper on housing	BA IB

	It was agreed that the Housing Task & Finish Group is useful and should continue.	
7.6.4	Planning rota: LC, IB, JV	
7.6.5	Solar Farm Amendments: It was agreed that all should help with the reading of amendments to the Solar Farm proposal in order to make a considered response.	ALL
8	<p>Meetings attended/forthcoming meetings:</p> <p>IB had attended an HS2 Forum where there was no progress reported on the Fosse Way crossing.</p> <p>War Memorial meeting was well attended and article to go in Diary.</p> <p>Pond action Day – 9th November. Councillors agreed a sum of £50 for lunch for volunteers.</p>	
9	<p>Any other business- Information only</p> <p>Hole developing outside Snips.</p> <p>Xmas Tree Lights switch on 5th December. Need help at 9 am to erect tree. There will be an official road closure for the carol singing at 5.30pm.</p> <p>Loose water cap at Stockton Road</p> <p>PC Xmas tree for Festival – WC to organise</p> <p>Nursery has approached and suggested a defibrillator for the village. They will be invited to next meeting to discuss.</p> <p>LIEF are asking for bequests to swell funds. Article to go in Diary</p>	<p>LB</p> <p>WC</p> <p>LB</p> <p>WC</p> <p>BA</p> <p>BA</p>
10	Date of future Parish meetings: 4th Nov, 2nd Dec, 6th Jan	

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:50pm

Signed Date.....

Planning Applications - October 2015

15/03757/TREE	15/10/2015	Pending Consideration	STREET RECORD Chaters Orchard Long Itchington	- T1 Sycamore: reduce crown to 8.5m height and 5m spread.
15/03632/FUL	07/10/2015	Pending Consideration	Groves Mill Shakers Lane Long Itchington Warwickshire CV47 9QB	Replacement of existing UPVC patio door with bespoke hardwood bi folding door to full height of opening, and the replacement of second UPVC patio door with bespoke hardwood full height windows on rear elevation of former barn
15/03567/FUL	02/10/2015	Pending Consideration	School House Church Road Long Itchington Southam CV47 9PN	Proposed single storey extension to rear of detached garage
15/03570/LBC	02/10/2015	Listed Building Consent not required	School House Church Road Long Itchington Southam CV47 9PN	Proposed single storey extension to rear of detached garage
15/03125/FUL	01/10/2015	Pending Consideration	Simran House Bascote Heath Southam CV47 2DZ	Proposed New Bungalow

Footpaths report

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

Work this month has included:

- Repairing a stile on SM6
- Removing obstacle, litter picking and improved waymarking along SM3a

- Preparing a report for Sustrans about ways of improving access onto the disused railway line for those with limited mobility
- Planning for 2015-16
- Reporting a complaint from local resident to WCC about some users of SM3a at western end.