

MINUTES OF LOCKERLEY PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING

Held on Monday 20th January 2020 at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Room

PRESENT: Parish Cllrs. Len Arthur, Sue Kent, Helen Woodfield, Maurice Hillier and David Jackson. Also, in attendance were clerk to the council, Sue Holder, and one member of the public.

APOLOGIES: Accepted from Cllrs Waller and Coomer.

19/065 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (agenda items only): None

19/066 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 18TH NOVEMBER 2019 were unanimously agreed and signed as a correct record by the chairman of the meeting.

19/067 MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES: None

19/068 OPEN FORUM

a) To receive comments/questions from members of the public present:

- The edge of Mount Lane, 20 yards from Lockerley Manor, was reported to be failing where previously sandbags were used by Highways to support the road but have now failed. (21476217)

b) To receive a report from HCC – Cllr Perry was not in attendance.

c) To receive a report from TVBC: - Cllr Johnston was not in attendance.

19/069 FINANCE

α) Current financial position:

Treasurers account (as at 02.12.19)	£22376.60
Premier Interest Account	£9433.44

Total Funds	£31810.04*
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(£10000 allocated to Greens and open spaces)

*£2779.03 – CIL for playground

b) Payments: The following payments were approved by the council.

Clerk salary for Dec, Jan 2020	LGA 1972 s112	£848.00	#1188
Clerk working from home allowance	LG (FP) a1963s5	£25.00	#1188
SE for parish room (DD)	LGA 1972 s67	£105.64	DD
Chubb – parish room	LGA 1972 s67	£178.24	#1190
Clive Jones – hedge cutting	PHA 187 s67	108.00	#1189

β) Grants agreed using LGA 1972s 137 powers: The following grants were approved by the council, upon receipt of appropriate accounts:

Organisation	Purpose of grant	2019/20	2020/21
Lockerley School	Leavers Gifts	65.00	65.00
Test Valley School	Donation towards prize	30.00	30.00

Romsey School	Donation towards prize	30.00	30.00
Royal British Legion	Wreath and donation	30.00	30.00
Thorngate Care grp	Running costs	100.00	100.00
United Benefice	Newsletter	100.00	100.00
Village Hall	Running costs	1300.00	1750.00
Total		1655.00	2105.00

c)			

d) Receipts: The clerk reported that £931.99 VAT had been reclaimed.

e) Budget and Precept: A draft budget had been provided to the council by the clerk in advance of the meeting and based on anticipated expenditure for the next financial year to include works to improve Butts Green and costs associated with the new playground, an increase in the precept of 15% was agreed.

19/070 HIGHWAYS

- a) **Outstanding issues** – The parish council have with the support of Mottisfont parish council requested to have the Lockerely to Dunbridge Road resurfaced. (21462385).
- b) **Other** – Mount Lane needs to be swept.

19/071 FOOTPATHS / LENGTHSMAN: Cllr Waller provided the following report:

Lengthsman's work for December

- Tote Hill Common: The two glades were cleared to encourage the establishment of wildflowers.
 - Footpath 22: The path through the wood was cut back.
 - Footpath 21: The fenced in section of the path was cleared, including a significant number of overgrown and overhanging tree branches.
- Memorial Hall: The fence adjoining the BT property was to have been cleared of brambles. Unfortunately, it was polling day, the car park was completely full and our lengthsman was unable to attempt this task. It will be completed when he is next working for us.

No work undertaken in January

Work agreed for February

- Clear the roadside grips.
- Clear a blocked pipe in Mount Lane.
- Clear the Clem's Way ditch, if time allows.

Work agreed for March

- Cut the hedge at the cut between Butlers Road and Oval Road.

19/072 GREENS AND OPEN SPACES

- a) **Butts Green:** A planning application has now been submitted to Test Valley Borough Council for the proposed improvements to Butts Green. The clerk reported that the fee for this application has been classed as 'other operations on land' and therefore is based on site area. Due to the size of the site, the fee to the parish council was £1014.00. Resolved that the clerk will speak to Test Valley Borough Council to discuss the fee as the parish council do not consider the classification to be justified and the fee therefore inappropriate. The clerk will also investigate any grant funding towards trees and benches for Butts Green.

- b) **Lockerley Green** – nothing to report.
- c) **Jubilee Field** – The clerk reported that the playground equipment will be installed by Wickstead week commencing 24th February and will take between 3-4 weeks to complete. A post installation inspection has been recommended by Wickstead and an anticipated opening after Easter.
- d) **Other** issues regarding Greens and Open Spaces – nothing to report.

19/073 OTHER OUTSTANDING ISSUES – Nothing to report.

19/074 HAMPSHIRE 2050 COMMISSION OF INQUIRY – Nothing to report.

19/075 PLANNING

The following planning applications have been received since the last meeting and parish council decisions recorded as follows:

20/00043/FULLS Shackells Cottage

Replace roof with pitched roof

The parish council resolved not to object to this application.

19/03074/FULLS 35-44 and 9-14 Butlers Close

Prefabricated bin stores with associated hard standings and dropped kerb.

The parish council resolved to make no comment on this application.

19/02823/FULLS New Barn House

Partial demolition of an unused stable block to accommodate cat hotel (amended scheme)

The parish council resolved to make no comment to this application.

- a) The following decisions have been received from TVBC

19/02418/FULLS Erlcombe

Erection of two, three bed detached dwellings with garages

WITHDRAWN

19/02248/FULLS The Barns

Erection of 4 barn-like dwellings following demolition of existing barns

The parish council resolved to make no comment on this application

PENDING

19/02680/PDQS Hillside Nursery

Conversion of agricultural building to single dwelling

REFUSED

19/076 CORRESPONDANCE

- Test Valley School – letter of thanks for annual sponsorship and councilor attendance at presentation evening.
- A letter of thanks from a student at Test Valley School for the prize awarded at the presentation evening.
- TVBC / NALC – invitation to comment on experiences of unauthorised encampments in the village: responses sent from LPC, LGPS and Mr Perkins.
- Mr Eastwood – a tender for grass cutting was accepted by the parish council.

19/077 PARISHONERS QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED:

- Mount Lane requires sweeping.

19/078 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 16th March 2020

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.