

LANDKEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Old School Centre on Wednesday 3rd July 2019 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: - Chairman Councillor Halliday
Councillors Beer, Lovell, Mrs Morton and Prowse

Also Present: M. Isaac Parish Clerk and NDC Councillor Luggar.

Apologies:- Councillors Mrs Hommell and Lane

63. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th June 2019 were approved as correct a record and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising:

a) Locations for 2 Dog Bins

It was agreed that 1 of the 2 dog bins to be purchased by the Parish Council be located in the Church Meadow/Landkey Bridge area and the other at Acland Cross

b) Community Governance Review:

The Clerk reported that he had to date not received a response from Mr Miles, NDC regarding the Parish Council's request to increase the number of Parish Councillors by 2 to its previous number of 9 Councillors

64. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest announced.

65. QUESTIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

A Parishioner asked if the Parish Council would support the provision of a cycleway/lane from Landkey to Newport, Barnstaple. The road had a 40 mph speed limit and was well used by cyclist. A Department for Transport Value for money assessment for cycling grants 2014 report was quoted outlining the Government's commitment to promote cycling and walking

It was agreed to invite the DCC Sustainable Transport Officer to the next Parish Council meeting

A Parishioner asked if there had been any progress regarding the provision of a step at the War Memorial.

The Clerk stated that as the War Memorial was listed he would contact the NDC Conservation Officer for advice

66. REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR

In the absence of Councillor Edgell there was no DCC report

67. REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Luggar reported:

- That each NDC Councillor had a Community Council Grant allocation pot of £1,000
- That the Leisure Centre site was progressing well and the Council had agreed to access the £10.2 million Government fund pot to progress Housing projects for housing on the old Leisure Centre site.

68. COMMUNITY AND ALLOTMENT LAND, BIRCH ROAD - UPDATE

The Clerk reported he had not received any further update regarding the transfer of the two parcels of land.

Councillor Beer reported the receipt of a quote from Graham Lane regarding the provision of fencing around the allotment land of £1,750.

It was agreed:

a) That the offer by Devonshire Homes to provide a fence of 1200mm high timber post and two rail fencing with stock-proof mesh on the outer face. (The fencing to be on two sides of the allotment area (utilising the existing hedge for the third side and the existing c/b timber fencing for the fourth side), a single 900mm wide timber field style gate with a latch, adjacent to an agreed entry point, the total length to be 77.7m), at the estimated cost of £1,460.00 (VAT is zero rated) be accepted.

b) To seek grant aid from DCC Councillor Edgell towards the cost of the fencing

The Chairman reported that he had arranged an allotment update meeting and invited all interested parties on Wednesday 31st July 2019. He had also contacted the SW Allotment Association who had agreed for an Officer to attend.

69. POLICE

There were no issues to report.

70. HIGHWAY MATTERS

The following issues were raised:

It was reported that the re-surfacing of Manor Road was very shoddy and required re-dressing

71. PLAYING FIELDS

The Clerk reported that following enquiries there was no s106 funds available to fund the purchase of the 2 spring rockers

It was agreed to seek grant funding from DCC Councillor Edgell towards the provision/replacement of the 2 spring rockers

72. MILLENNIUM GREEN

Councillor Mr Morton reported that a quantity of new unused Dog Bins had been discovered and that 2 may be available for the Parish Council and that she would investigate. She also reported that there would be no Dog Show this year

73. OLD SCHOOL CENTRE

There were no issues to report

74. PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER

There were no issues to report.

75. NEW BUSINESS CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported the following correspondence:

- a) The Council noted a letter from Landkey AFC thanking the Council for its grant support
- b) The Council noted an e Mail from Mr Waldron regarding the provision of directional signs for the Church
It was agreed that the Church should seek advice from the NDC Conservation Officer regarding any sign to be placed on the War Memorial wall
- c) The Council considered an E Mail from Mr Gee regarding the Parish Council original appointments and subsequent re-appointments of Trustees to Landkey United Charities
The following periods of service of Parish Council appointed Trustees were noted and agreed as follows:
Mr Parker (April 2017 – April 2021), Mr Beer (November 2018 – November 2022) and Mrs Morton (March 2018 – March 2022)
- d) The Clerk reported that the Council would be receiving a formal request to amend its Neighbourhood Plan Area to enable the 2 areas, namely Westacott and Sampford Green recently transferred to Barnstaple following the recent boundary changes to enable the 2 areas to be included in the Barnstaple Neighbourhood Plan Area.

It was agreed to wait for the formal request to be received and a response regarding the request to increase the number of Landkey Parish Councillors by two to nine as previous.

76. FINANCE

RESOLVED:

a) Payments

The following payments were approved: -

M. Isaac	Clerk's Expenses	£	32.20
S.Pollard	Payment to Mr McCarthy (Grass Cutting)	£	25.00

Planning Portal	Planning Application Fee	£	944.00
Lonsdale Direct Solution	Newsletter Printing	£	120.30
Nic Butler	Ecology Reports	£	450.00
Woodward Smith Architects	Architects Fee	£	480.00
M&E Alarms	Annual Inspection	£	72.00
R. Keenor	Weed Spraying	“	210.00

77. PLANNING MATTERS

a) Councillor Lovell updated the Council on the Planning Applications considered at the Planning Sub Committee prior to the Council meeting.

b) To consider the following application:

65448 Outline application (with all matters reserved except access) for up to 820 dwellings, up to 0.28 HA Neighbourhood Hub, up to 1.9 HA Employment uses, primary school, community sports provision & network open spaces together with highways & other infrastructure works (amended plans), land at Westacott, North of A36, Landkey

It was again considered that without the relevant plans and due to the numerous PDF documents it was unable to consider the application.

It was agreed to again invite the NDC Planning Officer to the next Council meeting to outline the relevant details

78. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING

There were no issues raised

79. NEXT MEETING

It was noted and agreed that the next Parish Council meeting would be held in the **OLD SCHOOL CENTRE** on Wednesday 4th September 2019 at 7.30 p.m.

Chairman

Meeting closed at 8.14 p.m.