

**Lynsted with Kingsdown Parish Council**  
**Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018**  
**Belle Friday Centre, London Road, Teynham**

**Present: Cllrs Powell (Chair) Dawes; Prescott; Speed; Morgan; Bowen (SBC)  
Bowles (KCC) & M Mulley (Clerk)**

**Members of the public present**

**Mr. Adam Ambrose (Age UK Employee)**

**MS Kristina Dyer (Head Teacher Lynsted School)**

**Mr. David Wood (Assistant Head Teacher Lynsted School-From Jan 2019)**

**Meeting commenced at 8.00pm**

**1. Apologies for absence.** Cllrs Miller; Delaney & Whiting

**2. Declaration of Interest** None

As Cllr Bowen had to leave early he addressed the member first.

The planning application for 130 houses along Station Road in Teynham has been approved and the developers have 3 years to start building.

There was no update on the application for 400 houses in Frogal Lane

The multi-story car park in Sittingbourne was scheduled to be opened in February 2019. The parking fee would be £1.00 per hour up to 6 hours then £15 for over 6 hours to discourage commuters from parking there all day.

Box junction still scheduled to go ahead, exact date TBA

Cllr Morgan asked when the Broadband speed in Lynsted was going to be improved as promised in December 2017 **Action point** Clerk to contact The Broadband Project Manager. Cllr Bowen would look into it.

**Cllr Prescott arrived at 8.10pm**

**Cllr Bowles arrived at 8.10pm**

Cllrs Bowles & Bowen confirmed to the members that the rumor that Fowler Welch were closing their Scotland Centre and moving those operations to Lynsted were unfounded.

**3. Time for members of the public to address the Council**

Mr. Adam Ambrose who works for Age UK asked the members if there had been any public comments regarding the closure of The Belle Friday Centre in Lynsted. The Clerk informed him she had received no correspondence or comments any LKPC parishioner's Mr. Ambrose expressed his concern and disappointment about the Centre closing, and said there was a deed of covenant on the building which only allowed the building to be used for the community, therefore it would be very difficult to get planning permission to build any private dwellings on the site. Cllr Bowen in his capacity of Chairman of Teynham Village hall informed the members that he had written to Age UK offering the use of Teynham Village Hall as an alternative venue and was awaiting a response.

KP proposed & JS seconded that a letter be written to Age UK opposing the closure of the Centre. **Action point** Clerk to draft a letter and email to members for approval before sending to Age UK

Mr. Ambrose voiced his concern about the parking outside Lynsted School. It was explained that several options had been explored to alleviate this problem, unfortunately there was no legislation against inconsiderate motorists.

Ms. Kristina Dyer (Head Teacher of Lynsted School) & Mr. David Wood (From Jan 19 Assistant Head Teacher of Lynsted School) addressed the members asking for funding for a reading cloud online library system to help attract pupils back to the school. There were 78 pupils at Lynsted School at present and they felt that this system would be a great advantage to their pupils. The cost of the basic package was £2445 + Vat which included one years running costs plus £995 for a training/cataloguing day. Cllr Bowen advised Ms. Dyer to go onto the Swale Borough Council web site and download an application form for a Local members Grant which he would consider. Cllr Bowles would email Ms. Dyer an application form for a KCC County members grant form.

**Agenda item for December meeting**

Ms. Dyer & Mr. Wood left meeting at 8.35pm  
Cllr Bowen left meeting at 8.35pm

#### **4. To confirm minutes of meeting on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

Minutes agreed as correct proposed CD Seconded JS

As Cllr Bowles had to leave early the items under 7 were discussed next

#### **7) Passing Place-Lynsted**

As Ms. Dyer the new head teacher had only been in position for 1 week this item would be discussed in the New Year. The next Swale joint transport meeting was in March 2019 (Date TBA) but items for the agenda had to be submitted by the middle of February. In the meantime it would be advantageous to find out an approx. cost of installing a passing place. **Action Point** Clerk to write to KCC Highways to obtain an estimate for how much the passing place would cost to install if approved. **Agenda item Jan meeting**

#### **7a) Blocked drains in parish**

The Clerk had received the maps and passed them onto the Chairman, he would carry out a survey of the drains identifying the blocked ones once the leaves had been cleared.

**Agenda item next meeting**

#### **7b) Speed Watch-update**

Lynsted Parish magazine will be published on 01/12/18 where the request for volunteers has been placed. **Agenda item next meeting**

#### **7c) Double Yellow lines Lynsted Lane/Junction of A2**

The Clerk had written to KCC Highways and was awaiting a response.

**Agenda item for next meeting**

### **7e) Motorists driving on footpath along A2/Railings**

The Clerk had written to KCC Highways requesting that railings be inserted outside Artisan and Swaleside Veterinary Surgery and was awaiting a response

**Agenda item next meeting**

### **7d) Air Quality-Action Plan**

The Clerk had obtained details from Borden PC of the person they had commissioned to carry out an air quality survey. After discussion it was decided to obtain an estimate for the survey as it would be a good point of reference before any further development is carried out. DP suggested as this issues affected both PC's that a small working party be formed with 2 people from LKPC, 2 people from Teynham Parish Council and Nigel Hertz Smith (as an independent representative who has vast knowledge regarding air quality). Mr. Ambrose informed the members that Ospringe Parish Council had also carried out a similar survey. It was felt that if this survey was carried out it would give LKPC a starting benchmark to judge the situation for when further developments took place. **Action point** Clerk to contact Ospringe Parish Council Clerk and ask whom they used. Clerk to contact the professor used by Borden PC for a quotation also a second estimate for a follow up report a couple of years after the first report.

## **9. Correspondence**

### **Response to TPC letter ref informal meeting**

After above discussion DP proposed & LM Seconded **Action point** Clerk to draft a letter to TPC stating the only agenda item they had for joint discussion was Air Quality Pollution on A2. To be circulated to members before posting.

**Cllr Bowles left meeting**

## **5. Matters arising from previous minutes**

**6. Finance      Receipts      None**

<b>b) Payments</b>	£698.88	SO	Clerks Wages (Nov)
	£42.64	DD	EDF – Invoice 00004944507
	£452.46	DD	EDF – Invoice 00004952179
	£300.00	1145	SBC-Litter Bin
	£56.98	1146	Clerks expenses (30 MPH Stickers)

Bank rec and statements presented and signed as correct by Chairman

### **c) Budget 2019/20**

The Clerk presented the amended draft budget for 2019/20 which was agreed and signed off. Proposed JS Seconded KP

### **d) Precept 2019/20**

After discussion it was agreed that the precept should remain the same as 2018/19 at £17,049. It was hoped that SBC would continue to award the lighting grant of £2990  
Proposed DP Seconded KP

#### **e) Defibrillator maintenance request-Swaleside Veterinary Surgery**

The Clerk read out a letter from Sue Flanagan, including a copy of an invoice for the purchase of new pads for the defibrillator positioned outside Swaleside Veterinary Surgery. It was agreed LKPC would cover this cost at £46.74 plus the cost of the additional items needed to keep the equipment in full working order if the invoices were supplied for the additional items. Cheque raised for £46.74 and signed. Proposed JS  
Seconded CD

#### **f) Exploring new bank account**

The Clerk had looked into several new options, however online banking was not an option because our standards did not allow it, and other banks only allowed 3 signatories per account therefore they were not viable. **Action point** Clerk to look into banking with Nationwide

#### **8. Planning.**

18/505154/FULL-Change of use from private residential dwelling to mixed use for private dwelling (residential) and use for wedding events including civil marriage and partnership ceremonies , receptions, lunch and dinners. Use of the South West ground floor room in the house as the ceremony site, the North wing and balcony for wedding guest's use. Receptions to take place in a temporary erected marquee on surrounding land. Designated off-road parking in a field located near the entrance with the driveway parking around the house.

Kingsdown Rectory, Down Court Road. Kingsdown. Sittingbourne. Kent **No Objections**

18/505574/FULL Erection of a double garage to rear, including office/store above (resubmission of 15/508956/FULL)

Granfield. London Road. Teynham. Sittingbourne. Kent. **No Objections**

#### **9. Correspondence**

Letter of Thanks received from Rev Steve Lillicrap ref donation to Church

**10. Consultations** None

**11. Complaints** – None

#### **12. AOB**

The Clerk had contacted David Wood at Lynsted Church who informed her the hire charge for the room in the church was £3.50 per hour and the room was available on Monday evening. Cllr Powell had since spoken to Mr. Wood and as LKPC already donated a large sum of money to the church there would be no charge for use of room.

The Clerk informed the members that LKPC had been awarded 'The Best New Entrant' in the 2018 Trees in Village Competition **Agenda item next meeting**

#### **13. Date of next meetings**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019

**14. Standards meeting** – As standards were regularly monitored it was agreed no meeting was necessary.

**Meeting closed at 10.05pm Minutes prepared by Marion Mulley**