

Lynsted with Kingsdown Parish Council
Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 28th March 2022
At Lynsted Church, Lynsted Lane @ 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Speed (Chairman); Bott; Ross-Russell; Langdon-Bassett; Stewart & M Mulley (Clerk)

Meeting commenced at 19.35

1. Chairman's Introduction Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

2. Apologies for absence Cllrs Carr, Morgan, Delaney, Bowen (SBC), Whiting (SBC) & Lehmann (KCC)

3. Declarations of Interest None

4. To confirm minutes of PC meeting on Monday 28th February 2022

Minutes agreed as correct. Proposed AS Seconded JB

5. Matters arising from minutes on Monday 28th February 2022 None

6. Time for members of the public to address the council None

7. Update from Borough Councillors No Councillors present

8. Update from County Councillor - via email

Weight limit restriction through villages is in limbo as objections were voiced by Doddington PC to the need for such a wide-ranging area of restriction.

The work at Tonge Golf Range should be complete by mid-June therefore Shaw's Lorries should cease using Lynsted Lane as a rat run by early June. Given that it would take longer than this to implement the weight restriction, Cllr Lehmann's recommendation was to wait and see what levels HGV movements fall back to and decide at that point whether to push ahead with the scheme.

9. a) Receipts None

b) Payments

£83.82 Chairman's expenses

£97.29 EDF

£60.00 Rural Action

£736.08 Clerks Wages – Mar 22

£49.50 Clerks expenses July 21 to Mar 22

c) Bank rec & statement agreed and signed by Chairman

d) EDF Costs

The Clerk had ascertained that it was not feasible to turn off the streetlights or alternate streetlights. The Clerk had received confirmation from Utility Aid that as soon as the energy markets were open again (closed due to war in Ukraine) we would be informed of options available. After discussion the Clerk was asked to find out if it were possible to have the lights on at dusk and off by 11pm, and what the savings would be **Agenda item next full meeting**

Cllr Ross Russell joined meeting

e) Defibrillator

Lynsted Church administrator had confirmed they would look into obtaining a grant for a defibrillator and hosting it onsite. LKPC have agreed to be a 3rd party partner and offer 10% part funding **Agenda item next meeting**

f) Precept

Although LKPC had submitted a 10% increase for the 2022/23 precept, individual bills were only showing an 8% increase. **Action point** Clerk to inform Chairman when the precept received and the % rise received.

10. Swale Borough Council Local Plan

JS had attended the recent SBC Local Plan Panel meeting and the revised Reg 19 document will not be published for several months. SBC are moving from a cabinet-based system to a committee structure and at the moment it is unclear how the Local Plan will be managed moving forwards. As the Brownfield site register had not been updated since 2018, SBC had put a callout for brownfield sites for possible development.

11. Applications published on Planning Public Access at pa.midkent.gov.uk

- a) **22/500750/FULL** Erection of two office and welfare buildings and replacement tray store including access, parking and associated works (part retrospective)
Integrated Service Solutions Ltd, London Road. Lynsted. ME9 9PR
Cllr Langdon-Bassett had attended a site visit last year.
Duly noted. Site not in Lynsted with Kingsdown Parish
- b) **22/501147/FULL** Erection of a two-storey front extension and alterations to roof pitch to create improved living space, including installation of 14no roof lights.
Copper Lodge. London Road. Lynsted ME9 9PT **No adverse comments**
- c) **21/502609/OUT** Land East of Lynsted Lane
This application had been considered by the planning committee on 10/03/22 following a site visit on 01/03/22. There was a large turnout of Lynsted residents at Swale House to demonstrate local objections. The committee voted unanimously to refuse planning permission. However, SBC's Head of Planning then "called in" the application which means it will be re-considered at a future committee meeting. An independent highways survey has been commissioned. Next planning meeting is on 07/04/22
JS to monitor situation
- d) **New applications published after issue of agenda**
22/501217/OUT Section 73 - Application for removal of condition (v) agricultural occupancy condition relating to Hole Street Farm Cottage, pursuant to application SW/96/128 for outline application for new farmhouse. Hole Street Farm, Kingsdown Road. Lynsted ME9 0QX **No adverse comments**
- e) **Previous applications**
21/505794/FULL (Cellar Hill) **Application refused by SBC**
22/500297/TPOA (The Vallance) **Application approved subject to replanting of native species**
19/505036/OUT (Lynsted Lane – 86 houses). **No further news.**

12a APM/Agenda/Arrangements

It was decided to defer the APM to the June meeting. Tim Valentine to be invited to give a talk on environmental issues. Alastair Stewart to give a talk on environmental aspects of water usage.
Action point JS to write to Tim Valentine **Agenda item next meeting**

12b Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) Lynsted/Doddington PC

See above item 8

12c Village gates at Kingsdown LM has reminded Geoff Bineham & Michelle Matthews from KCC that we are still awaiting installation of these gates and a sign on the Lynsted gate.

12d Footpath map – St Peters Place No update **Agenda item next meeting**

12e Traffic calming in Lynsted-KCC meeting/HIP

LM had attended a meeting with Geoff Bineham & Michelle Matthews of KCC. It was agreed to submit a new HIP at the end of April when Michelle comes back from holiday. This would include a request to reduce the speed limit in Kingsdown Road to 40mph. Low-cost measures such as 30mph repeater signs from the A2 through to The Vallance and ‘pedestrians in the road’ signs on the blind bend near Claxfield look possible. However, the imposition of a 20mph limit through the village is unlikely to be approved by KCC. The results of traffic survey have been sent to Alan Watson, the Kent Police SpeedWatch representative. He will be providing new SpeedWatch equipment so that sessions can resume.

12f Queen’s Platinum Jubilee/Platinum Jubilee Tree

A full programme is being planned over the 4 days (Thurs 2nd to Sun 5th June). Lynsted Society to arrange planting of a Platinum Jubilee Tree, provisional site at the entrance to The Vallance subject to agreement from the residents.

12g ZR268 Footpath.

The Clerk reported that the site had been visited and there were no unlawful signs
Action point Clerk to email Chairman copies of footpath maps

12h Bus Routes

JS had put out a call out on Facebook for comments on the consultation. No comments had been received. **Action point** JS to respond to the consultation and post up Cllr Lehmann’s flier on the LKPC website. Clerk to post up the flier on LKPC notice boards.

12i Parish to Town Cycling and Walking Project

LM attended a meeting with Adrian Berendt, Doddington PC & Newnham PC. Various ideas were discussed however because there is no funding these were not likely to come to fruition unless funding can be found.

12j Dog Bins

After a request from a parishioner The Clerk had emailed SBC to request a bin be installed at the top of the track coming up from Lewson Street to Tickham Lane.
Agenda item next meeting

13. Correspondence

The Clerk had received a letter from Kent Surrey Sussex Air Ambulance requesting a donation of £300. **Due to financial constraints request rejected**

14. Consultations- Local Plan “call for sites” and Sittingbourne SPD

15 Complaints None

16. AOB

LKPC website will have a new section to promote local community groups.

Clerk informed the members that LKPC had been selected by the external auditors for one of the intermediate reviews for the 2021/22 reporting year.

AS was concerned about the number of bird scarer bangs going off per hour, the recommended limit is 4 per hour. AS to monitor situation

17. Dates of next meetings

Mon 25th April 2022

Mon 30th May 2022 – AGM

Mon 27th June 2022-APM & Social event

Mon 25th July 2022

Mon 26th Sept 2022

Mon 31st Oct 2022

Mon 28th Nov 2022 Budget/Precept meeting

Mon 19th Dec 2022

Meeting closed at 21.25

Minutes prepared by Marion Mulley