



## Longwick-cum-Ilmer Parish Council

### LONGWICK-CUM-ILMER PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022 AT 7.30PM AT LONGWICK VILLAGE HALL

#### PRESENT

Cllr Val McPherson BEM (Chair)

Cllrs Brian Richards (Vice), Jane Rogers, Richard Myers and Alex Barter

Tracey Martin (Clerk)

Buckinghamshire Councillor: Matt Walsh

- 203. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr McPherson welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr van Apeldoorn and Cllr Wilkes.  
Buckinghamshire Councillors: Cllr Turner, and Cllr Hall
- 204. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022:**  
Approved by all Councillors.
- 205. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None
- 206. UPDATE FROM BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCILLORS:**
- Cllr Walsh stated that Buckinghamshire Council have been busy dealing with the Ukrainian Refugee crisis including locating translators and healthcare provision and the home a refugee initiative which the government have confirmed that they will be covering any costs.
  - A meeting had taken place regarding the Transport Vision and Cllr Walsh confirmed that the Parish Council is due £69k in CIL over the next 18 months.
  - Cllr Walsh stated that monthly meetings take place with the Local Area Technician so any issues which are reported through FixMyStreet which are not rectified then to email the Risborough Councillors who will raise the issue directly.
  - Cllr Walsh stated that if Councillors have any issues or concerns with a planning application to email the Risborough Ward Councillors who can book a 20-minute slot with planners to discuss.
  - Cllr McPherson stated that the Parish Council had received confirmation of the works on Bar Lane but asked when the works would commence. Cllr Walsh to find out. **Action: Cllr Walsh**
  - Cllr Walsh reported that the Community Boards will have a lot less funds next year around £170K across all the boards and suggested that local organisations are encouraged to put in applications early.
  - A concern was raised about the huge pile of green waste which is still in place on the corner of Askett Lane/Lower Icknield Way. Cllr Walsh responded that an enforcement notice has been served to stop the burning of such waste but he will contact the Member for Enforcement for an update. In addition, many local residents are increasingly frustrated at the apparent slow response to the closure of the adjacent unauthorised settlement of mobile homes and the lack of specific and definitive news re eviction. Mobile generators on the site are now making a further noise issue. Cllr Walsh suggested that the Council write a letter raising concerns to the 3 Risborough Ward Councillors.
- 207. TO RECEIVE MATTERS ARISING NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA:**
- The Clerk reported that the direct debit for EDF Energy is increasing to £25.
- 208. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON KISSING GATES**
- Cllr Richards stated that footpath 16 is still outstanding. It has been reported to Rights of Way and Rights of Way have made contact with the landowner but no progress has been made. A representative of the Chiltern Society had also walked the footpath and their comments had been shared with the Rights of Way Officer.
- 209. PLANNING**
- The following new applications were reviewed and discussed:  
22/05437/FUL: The Old Forge Thame Road Longwick: No comment to make
- The following applications status has changed:  
21/08744/FUL: White Gables Thame Road Longwick: Application permitted.



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**210. TO NOTE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BUDGET**

The following payments were presented for approval.

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Gross</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Tracey Martin	£503.03		£503.03	Salary
Tracey Martin	£26.85		£26.85	Mobile Top up, Home Allowance, Postage
HMRC	£5.29		£5.29	PAYE
DCK Payroll Solutions	£25.00	£5.00	£30.00	February Payroll
AJGIBL	£870.17		£870.17	Insurance renewal 22-23
Orchard View Farm	£59.30	£6.25	£65.55	Hire of Mtg room 16/02 and refreshments
Shield Maintenance	£143.00	£28.60	£171.60	Bin Emptying
Reids Playground	£890.00	£178.00	£1,068.00	Rubber Mulch - gym equipment
Longwick Village Hall	£120.00		£120.00	Hall Hire for Mtgs Oct 21 to Mar 22
Brian Richards	£11.64	£1.33	£12.97	Stationery expenses
Valerie McPherson	£25.10	£5.02	£30.12	Transport Vision Plan Printing
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,679.38</b>	<b>£224.20</b>	<b>£2,903.58</b>	

The following invoices have been already been paid as previously approved

Robert Kirby	£14,585.83	£2,917.17	£17,503.00	1st Instalment Paid 4th March 22
Playdale Playgrounds	£2,959.50	£591.90	£3,551.40	Paid 04/03 as agreed at December meeting

All payments were approved.

The Clerk reported that she had received an overpayment of £6 last month due to a calculation error. £6 will be reduced in the expenses for this month.

**211. TO NOTE NATIONAL SALARY, INCREASE OF 1.75% BACK DATED TO APRIL 2021:** Noted

**212. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS**

- a. Cllr Barter provided an updated: The Parish Council will not be purchasing ice creams now as an ice cream van will be attending. There will be a crafting area, chairplane ride, bunting made by children in the Parish, music is still to be decided and advertising will be produced soon. It was decided to purchase mugs as the commemorative gift for children in the Parish.

**213. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE TRAFFIC CALMING PROJECT**

- a. Cllr McPherson reported that maps have been produced showing the desired changes to certain speed limits. A further meeting will be scheduled to agree proposals and then a meeting will take place with the Risborough Ward Councillors to finalise the proposals. Any comments from Councillors to be submitted to Cllr McPherson by the 6<sup>th</sup> April.

**214. LONGWICK CHURCH OF ENGLAND COMBINED SCHOOL – TO CONSIDER PROPOSALS FROM THE SCHOOL AND APPROVE THE RELEASE OF FUNDS GRANTED IN MARCH 2019 – TOTAL GRANT:**

**£35,000:** It was agreed by all Councillors present to approve the release of funds. To be added to payment schedule.  
**Action: Clerk**

**215. CONSIDER RESPONSE TO THE YEAR 6 PUPIL'S IDEAS FOR IMPROVING LONGWICK COMMUNITY**

- a. Cllr Richards stated that as part of the year 6 religious studies they had been looking at Ummah which means to be a part of your community which resulted in some of the children writing in letters to the Parish Council. The four key areas which were highlighted were:
- Foodbank: This isn't a direct responsibility of the Parish Council but the Parish Council could write to the appropriate authorities highlighting the concerns raised by the children.
  - Drop-in centre at the Village Hall with a café, worship area and games room. Cllr Richards suggested that the Parish Council could write to the Village Hall sharing the ideas which could be considered when the Village Hall works are complete.



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- iii. Picnics tables on the field so that people can socialise. The Parish Council could consider this.
  - iv. Community Garden.
  - b. Discussions were had on the above suggestions and it was agreed that Cllr Richards would write to the students thanking them for their comments which will be passed on. **Action: Cllr Richards**
- 216. TO CONSIDER QUOTE FOR ADDING STEPS TO THE ENTRANCE TO THE WAR MEMORIAL**
- a. Unfortunately, only one quote had been received. It was agreed that more quotes were required.  
**Action: Clerk**
- 217. TO DISCUSS AND DECIDE ON ANY RESPONSES TO CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND / OR ISSUED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL**
- a. The Clerk reported that she had received an email from Ilmer requesting that they use the Village Green for their Jubilee event on the 5<sup>th</sup> June. All Councillors were in agreement.
  - b. The Clerk reported that she had received an email from Princes Risborough Town Council regarding the grass cutting of the playing field for which the price has increased 2% to £3009. All Councillors were in agreement to proceed.
  - c. Cllr Barter stated that the preschool will be running an easter egg trail around the village and will be using the telegraph poles for the trail.
  - d. Cllr Barter asked for an update on the Community Engagement event which had been discussed previously. The Clerk stated that this can be arranged a date is required from Cllr Barter and Cllr Wilkes.
  - e. Cllr Myers had been confronted in the Village Hall car park from a member of the Village Hall committee who had proceeded to shout at him about the boiler not working. The Committee Member had also phoned the builder on a Sunday. All Councillors were in agreement that it was completely inappropriate for the Committee Member to shout at a Councillor and also for them to make direct contact with our builder not only at his home but on a Sunday afternoon, particularly bearing in mind that the Village Hall Committee had signed up to only the 4 members of the working group (2 Councillors and the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the village hall) would deal directly with the builder. Actions by the member were both inappropriate and unacceptable. It was agreed that Cllr McPherson as Chairman would write to the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee meeting stating the above.
  - f. Cllr McPherson asked Councillors if they would be happy for the Parish Council to show their support for Ukraine by providing details on the website and Facebook as to where people can donate. All Councillors were in agreement.
- 218. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ON MEETINGS THAT THEY HAVE PARTICIPATED IN ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH COUNCIL:** None attended
- 219. TO CONSIDER AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:** Agenda items to be emailed to the Clerk.
- 220. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022:** It was agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting would start at 7pm with tea and coffee available and the Parish Council meeting starting at 8pm. To try and encourage more people to attend a flyer will be distributed in the newsletter and information put on Facebook.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Chair..... Date.....