

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
LONGWICK-CUM-ILMER PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2011 AT 7.30 PM
IN LONGWICK VILLAGE HALL**

Cllr G Harper (Chairman)
Cllrs G Walters, Mrs J Rogers, I Walker, G O'Neill and Mrs V McPherson
Susanne Griffiths (Clerk)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received.

2/ MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council on the 18th October 2011, having been circulated were approved by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

3/ DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any personal interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

Cllr G Walters declared an interest in agenda item 14 – application number 11/07354/FUL

4/ MATTERS ARISING NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA

Remembrance Sunday

Cllr G Harper thanked Cllr G O'Neill for his work in organising the service at the war memorial and asked Cllr G O'Neill to pass on the councils' thanks to the Longwick Combined School for their part in the service.

5. Finance

A/ Accounts for Payment

VAT

Nov	453	Sect 137 payment	RBL - Wreath	£20.00		£ 20.00
Nov	454	Grass Cutting	Manor Estates - Grass cutting July replace chq for 441 (lost in the post)	£358.32	£71.66	£ 429.98
Nov	455	Grass Cutting	Manor Estates - Grass cutting October 2011	£358.32	£71.66	£ 429.98
Nov	456		Transfer To Lloyds TSB ac (£11,000.00)			
Nov	S/o	Clerks Fees	S Griffiths - Nov Salary	£341.27		£ 341.27
Nov	457	Admin	S Griffiths - Expenses June - Aug	£ 33.02		£ 33.02
Nov	458	Newsletter	Whiteleaf Printers Ltd - Parish newsletter	£420.00		£ 420.00
Nov	459	Admin	WDALC – Training session for councillors	£15.00		£ 15.00

B/ Income received

Bank interest £0.60

C/ Bank Balance £10,840.60 (allowing for the above cheques)

The income for October and expenditure for November was examined by the Council. **All present agreed** that the necessary cheques be signed.

6. CAPITAL ITEMS AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES

A. Playing Field

Cllr J Rogers researched the costs for six 6ft potted trees as requested and found the costs to exceed the amount agreed in the previous meeting. **All present agreed** to defer the decision to purchase new trees until the spring.

B. Children's Play Area

Cllr G Harper informed the members that he has repaired the gate again which has been damaged by children swinging on it.

7. ROADS, VERGES AND RIGHTS OF WAY.

The Clerk is requested to raise the following concerns with the relevant local authority: -

The finger post at the Stockwell Lane T junction on the road through Owlswick is lying in the verge. Previously reported under reference number CRN 341490

SG

8. CORRESPONDENCE.

- Letter from Buckinghamshire County Council re supporting community celebrations over the Diamond Jubilee and the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games across Buckinghamshire in 2012.

The Parish Council welcomed the offer of free bunting for the celebrations agreed that red, white and blue would be the preferred choice. **All present agreed** to be a broker and distribution point for additional orders for community groups. **SG**

- E-mails from MH-P offering additional services for the Website

All present agreed that due to the low level of visitors to the website, the Parish Council could not justify spending money for additional facilities.

Letter from BCC advising of the final consultation concerning the switching off street lights to save energy trial

Responses are requested by the 11th December 2011 via the have your say page on the B.C.C. website.

www.buckscc.gov.uk/sites/bcc/about_your_council/Have_your_say.

E-mail from B.C.C. informing of a newly acquired Vehicle Activated Sign that they are able to loan to Parish Councils

Comments noted.

E-mail from Manor Estates advising that there is moss on the playground at Longwick

All present agreed for the Cllr G Harper to inspect the playground and treat the moss if deemed necessary. **GH**

9. REPORTS

A. School Governors – Cllr G O’Neill informed the members that three new teachers and a new Deputy Head teacher had been appointed.

B. NW Chilterns Local Area Forum - Nothing to report.

C. WDALC – Nothing to report

D. N.A.G –Cllr V McPherson informed the members that a new Speed Indication Device had been introduced in various locations around the villages.

E. Newsletter – Nothing to report.

10. WHETHER TO REQUEST A CHANGE TO THE SPEED LIMIT ON THAME ROAD.

Cllr G O’Neill informed the members that the cost of reducing the speed limit on the Thame Road between the roundabout on the A4010 and the Red Lion Public House from 40mph to 30mph is £7380. He advised that there is a chance for the amount to be funded from the LAF Delegated Budget in 2012/2013 if the bid for funding was successful. To improve the chances of the bid being successful Cllr G O’ Neill proposed that a contribution towards the cost of the project is offered to the B.C.C. **All present agreed** to consider this proposal at the Estimates meeting when the budget for 2012/2013 is discussed. **GON/SG**

11. THE PREFERRED CANDIDATE TO FILL THE VACANCY FOR A COUNCILLOR BY CO-OPTION

A vote was taken on co-opting Mr B Richards to fill the vacancy on the Parish Council. **The motion was passed with a majority of 4-2.** The Clerk is requested to advise Mr Richards. **SG.**

12. THE MEETING DATES FOR 2012

All present agreed to continue meeting on the third Tuesday of each month for the monthly Parish Council meeting.

13. THE PRIORITIES TO TAKE TO THE NEXT LAF MEETING

All present agreed the following Longwick cum Ilmer return for the Priorities Review

1. Traffic management focusing particularly on speeding - Continued speeding along many parish roads
2. Public transport in rural areas Public/rural transport (both availability and suitability of routeing) - would like to see the Community Bus service at least continued and if possible extended
3. Youth activities / provision - Support for the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers needed; the groups in the village are struggling to keep going or have had to stop. There are no other alternatives for young people

14. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A/ New Applications to be considered

Cllr G Walters took no part in the discussion or decision for the following application.

11/07354/FUL: The Timbers Chestnut Way Longwick Buckinghamshire HP27 9SD

Proposal: Householder application for construction of part two storey, part single storey side/rear extension comprising of garage and annexe accommodation. **The Parish Council has no objections.**

11/07566/FUL: Druids Well, Thame Road, Longwick

Proposal: Householder application for erection of a single storey rear extension & new front porch. **The Parish Council has no objections.**

B/ Progress on applications already considered:

11/06956/FUL *Decision: Application Permitted*

Address: Ilmer House Ilmer Lane Ilmer Buckinghamshire HP27 9QZ

Proposal: Householder application for construction of front extension and new roof to existing garage and refurbishment works

11/07219/MINAMD *Decision: Application Permitted*

Address: Old Orchard Ilmer Lane Ilmer Buckinghamshire HP27 9RA

Proposal: Proposed non-material amendment to permission for construction of single/two storey side & rear extensions, single storey front extension, alteration to roof to form 2 x dormer windows in rear elevation and erection of attached double garage, garden store and carport and swimming pool enclosure (alternative scheme to p/p 10/06541/FUL & 0/07519/FUL) granted under householder planning.

11/07113/FUL *Decision: Application Permitted*

Address: Hill View Longwick Road Longwick Buckinghamshire HP27 9RX

Proposal: Householder application for construction of two storey rear extension and verandah on south west elevation and alterations.

11/06535/FUL *Decision: Application Permitted*

Address: Apple Tree Cottage Thame Road Longwick Buckinghamshire HP27 9SF

Proposal: Application for access change to that previously approved under planning permission 08/06150/FUL from one access to two individual access points.

11/07156/CTREE *Decision: Not to make a Tree Preservation*

Address: Cozens Holdings Owlswick Buckinghamshire HP27 9RH

Proposal: Reduce crown height and spread by 45cm to more compact dome shape to one Yew Tree (T1), reduce height by 50% to one Leyland Cypress (T2) and reduce height by 50% to one Leyland Cypress (T3)

11/07045/FUL *Decision: Application Refused*

Address: Vale Edge Farm Owlswick Lane Owlswick Buckinghamshire HP27 9RJ

Proposal: Householder application for raising of roof with roof extensions & alterations to accommodate additional first floor rooms.

12/ AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

To decide on the budgets for the financial year 2012/2013 and the setting of the precept.

To decide on the expenditure allowed under L.G.A. 1972 Section 137.

13/ NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 13th December 2011 in Longwick Village Hall at 7.30pm following the Carol Service at 6.00pm

There being no further business to discuss the Meeting closed at 9.45 pm