

MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING OF LONGPARISH PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE ELLICOCK ROOM OF THE COMMUNITY HALL ON MONDAY 14 JANUARY AT 7.30PM

PRESENT

Councillors: Jeremy Barber (Chair), Becky Bourne, Ricky Bourne, Christian Dryden, Christopher Duxbury, Martin Lampard

Also present: Mrs Maggie Barber (acting as Clerk), PC Richard Jewell (items 08/01 and 08/09.3), Clive Spencer (architect for Mr & Mrs Riley – item 08/05.1), Catherine Sweet (Open Spaces Chair – item 08/08)

08/01 APOLOGIES

Councillors Jo Clear, Toby Cooper and Phil Harris.
Jim Neal (TVBC Councillor), Michael Woodhall (HCC Councillor). Paul Jarrett (Clerk).

As the Clerk was unwell Mrs Barber had volunteered to take minutes.

08/02 REPORT BY PC JEWELL

Before the formal business began, the Chairman invited PC Jewell to report. He is the Rural Beat Manager, based in Stockbridge. Crime levels in Longparish are very low. In the last year there had been 13 crimes affecting residents including 2 burglaries (one leading to an arrest), 6 cases of theft (including 3 at Vale Farm) and 4 thefts from motor vehicles (mainly at The Cleaves). The Council welcomed the recent change in management arrangements which had created resources ring fenced to rural areas.

PC Jewell strongly advised people not to leave valuables in their cars as it was an invitation the thieves. He will provide crime prevention advice for Hill & Valley.

PC Jewell stayed for discussion of the Driver Feedback System (see minute 08/09.3 below) which he thought would be very useful.

08/03 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 10 DECEMBER 2007

[The minutes](#) were approved unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

08/04 MATTERS ARISING NOT ON CURRENT AGENDA

Mrs Dryden provided the acting clerk with her declaration of interests. That from Mr Dewbury was still outstanding. The Council was concerned as the 28 day time limit had long expired. Mr Barber will raise the matter with Mr Dewbury and, if appropriate, with the Monitoring Officer. **Action JB**

08/05 PLANNING

08/05.1 Current Applications

07/03431/FULLN – Erection of new detached garage, single storey side extension to provide utility room and WC and provision of bay window in place of existing garage door – Avalon, Longparish road, Wherwell – Mr & Mrs Mayon-White

Mr Lampard declared an interest as the property was adjacent to his and left the meeting after giving his views.

UNANIMOUS DECISION – NO OBJECTION

07/03513/FULLN – Erection of detached dwelling, reduce size of single storey extension to existing house, resite calor gas tanks underground, and construction of vehicular access – 2 Paddock Cottages, Longparish – Mr & Mrs Riley.

Mr Spencer explained that this proposal was very different from the previous one which had been withdrawn. The Council welcomed the modifications which had been made to accommodate its previous concerns. Mr Spencer indicated that his clients would be happy to accept conditions about materials and boundaries visible from the road to comply with the Village Design Statement.

UNANIMOUS DECISION – NO OBJECTION but add a rider to suggest conditions about materials and boundaries.

07/03514/FULLN – Erection of a single storey side extension to form kitchen – Carpenter's Cottage, Forton – Mr C Williams

UNANIMOUS DECISION – NO OBJECTION

07/03211/VARN – Variation of condition limiting use of building to Middleton Estate (Variation of Condition 3 of 07/00986/FULLN – Erection of steel framed building on site of existing poultry sheds to be used for woodchip drying and processing equipment) – Patchington Farm, Longparish Road, South Harewood – Test Development Company.– Variation of condition limiting use of building to Middleton Estate (Variation of Condition 3 of 07/00986/FULLN – Erection of steel framed building on site of existing poultry sheds to be used for woodchip drying and processing equipment) – Patchington Farm, Longparish Road, South Harewood – Test Development Company.

Mr Barber had met the applicants and explained the concerns voiced by the previous meeting. They had submitted supplementary information about noise attenuation and traffic. The Council was reassured by the noise information provided the measures could be conditioned but remained concerned that the traffic levels were significantly higher than previously indicated with consequent noise, road safety and pedestrian safety (particularly to users of the Test Way) concerns. Mr Duxbury will contact TVBC and explain.

Action CD

Andover Airfield 'megashed' - Messrs Duxbury and Barber would be attending a briefing session on Weds 16 January arranged by Monxton Parish Council.

08/05.2 Results of earlier applications

- **07/00032/REFN:** Testwood Trout Farm certificate of lawfulness appeal result re caravan still pending. Result expected end Jan 08.
- **07/02072/AGNN:** The agricultural application for erection of hay/fodder store at Owls Farm was approved in Aug 07. No further details were required.
- **07/02028/FULLN:** The Grain Store for Middleton Estate was approved on 18 Dec 07.
- **07/02934/LBWN:** Minor boiler alterations at 7 Forton were approved before Christmas.
- **07/03123/TREEN:** Felling of two trees at 2 The Withies was approved on 7 Dec 07; the willow is down already and has opened up the driveway considerably – and no doubt improved the light in the house.
- **07/03224/TREEN:** Felling of Conifer at Nordale was approved on 24 Dec 07.
- **07/03173/FULLN:** Improvement works at Bucks Service Station were approved on 3 Jan 08.
- **07/03066/FULLN:** Broad Acre garage remains pending

- **07/01938/CLPN and 07/03152/AGDN:** Testwood Trout Farm certificate of lawfulness application re agricultural extension works was withdrawn and the amended design approved.
- **07/03333/FULLN:** The extension work at The Thatch, which the Parish Council supported at the last meeting, was rejected by the Northern Planning on 3 Jan 08. Mr Barber had spoken in support on behalf of the Parish Council. The previous application is going to appeal which will help clarify the correct approach to this situation.
- **07/03390/FULLN:** The extension at Owls Lodge Forton remains pending.

08/05.3 Hants Minerals Plan

Mr Duxbury had arranged a meeting on Tuesday 22 January at 7.30 in the Community Hall to explain the proposals to councillors. There would be speakers from HCC and Tarmac. The meeting would be open to the public and had been advertised in the January edition of Hill & Valley. **Agreed** that Mr Duxbury would email all councillors stressing that it was importance of attending. All councillors would inform members of the public they thought would be interested and Mr Barber would put notices on the village noticeboards and in the shop.

Action All, CD & JB

08/06 Parish Plan – Affordable housing

Mrs Dryden reported that final Bishop Group agreement on the content of the questionnaire had not been reached. One area where agreement had not been reached was about the proportion of respondents expressing a particular view needed to indicate support or otherwise. The Council felt that this point was not important. The purpose of the questionnaire was to provide information, not to decide the matter. In addition there were increasing concerns at the long time the process was taking.

Mr Barber had had an informal discussion with TVBC planners whilst at another meeting. They were very happy to be consulted and to assist in interpreting the policy.

Mr Mike Johnson had left the group as he had moved house. Mrs Sweet, who was also a member of the Housing Group, was willing to replace him.

Mr Barber will report the discussions to the facilitator, Jeff Bishop.

Action JB

08/07 FINANCE

08/07.1 Monthly Account Summary - The Financial Summary for last month was noted. (Appendix 1).

08/07.2 Minutes of Finance Committee meeting held 12 January 2008. [The minutes](#) were noted.

08/07.3 Budget and precept for the year to 31 March 2009 The Council was content to accept the recommendations in the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting. The budget was agreed (Appendix 2) and it was **resolved unanimously to set the precept for the year to 31 March 2009 at £15,000.**

Action Clerk

The Council noted the Finance Committee's advice that an increase was likely for the following year.

08/07.3 Bank signatories Deferred as the Clerk was not present.

08/08 OPEN SPACES

08/08.1 Playground Mrs Sweet is chasing the contractor to get a price for skate ramp repairs. She also has in hand the replacement of chains and seats on the swings and risk assessment for the bridge to the grindstone.

08/08.2 Trees Mrs Sweet is awaiting a new three-year tree plan from Mr Darrah, the Tree Warden. It might well be necessary to attend to a yew tree which was low over the stream.

08/08.3 Football field Mrs Sweet was grateful to Mr Bourne for pricing a gate for the football field. It was **agreed** to install the gate subject the approval of Middleton Estate.

Action JB to contact the Estate and Open Spaces committee to arrange installation.

It was **agreed** to aerate the pitch. Mr Bourne will contact Serco to put the work in hand.

Action RB.

Martin Hulme had stopped the football classes. It was **agreed** that we must not lose sight of the kit which the Council has purchased for this activity. The Wolverdene Club appeared to have stopped using the pitch though there has been no formal contact.

08/08.4 East Aston Common Mrs Sweet was concerned that it might be necessary to incur professional fees in the event of an enquiry into Mr & Mrs Tacchi's proposals for East Aston Common. The item was not in the budget. It was **agreed** to draw on contingency/savings if necessary.

08/08.5 North Acre Bench Mixed views were expressed on the proposal for a bench in North Acre. On the one hand it might offer a welcome opportunity for members of the public to sit down. On the other it might end up a source of noise and disturbance. It was **agreed** that the Open Spaces Committee will take soundings.

Action CS and OS Cttee

08/08.6 Flooding and Water Group The Flooding and Water working group had had a useful meeting at the Middleton Pump House with Southern Water. It was reassuring to see the considerable improvements in telemetry that had been made since the problems in August. They hoped soon to meet the Environment Agency to gain a better understanding of the overall picture of floodplain management. Mr Duxbury is preparing a briefing note for people living near the pumping station to explain what they should do in the event of future problems.

08/09 ROADS and BRIDGES

08/09.1 Upper Mill Ford The Council could see no advantage to the village from re-opening the ford and considerable disadvantages on safety, damage to wildlife and environment and cost (both construction and maintenance). It was therefore **agreed** to object.

Action Clerk

08/09.2 Longparish signs Mr Bourne will ask Highways to replace the Longparish sign on The Middleway which had been knocked over by a vehicle and to install one at the entrance to the village down Southside Hill.

Action RB

08/09.3 Driver feedback sign demo. 37 people from 24 parish councils braved the wind and rain to attend the presentation at Longparish Village Hall on 11 January 2008. Presenters from 3M (the manufacturer) and Signway (the local distributor) explained the DFS700 Traffic Safety System and answered questions. This was followed by a practical demonstration in the road outside the Longparish Village hall. Initial feedback was that councillors found the presentation helpful.

The system gives a display which tells drivers how fast they are going to encourage them to moderate their speed. It also records details to provide information about the speed of vehicles. The system is portable and the idea is that half a dozen parishes could share the cost and use the equipment one week in six.

The display can be red, amber or green and you can set it to suit yourself. For example, red over 30, amber 25 to 30 and green under 25. It responds very quickly; you could easily see it change as the test driver slowed down.

Councillors **agreed** that it would be worthwhile to join with other councils to purchase a sign. It would also be necessary to educate local people (the ones who do most speeding). Funds have been earmarked for both purchase and education in the Parish Plan budget for the next financial year.
Action RB will follow up on the sign and CD on education

08/09.4 Pig Bridge Ford Mr Bourne will talk with Highways about the 'step'. **Action RB**

08/10 FOOTPATHS

08/10.1 Papermill path diversion Following advice from HCC it was **agreed** to offer no formal comment. HCC expected that the permissive path would follow when the formal one had been sorted out.

08/10.2 Footpath 19 The kissing gate where the path meets Forton Street is in disrepair. Middleton Estate have agreed, in principle, to a buggy friendly repair but would like to be consulted on the detail. Mr Lampard will liaise with HCC over materials and arrange a working party.

Action ML

08/10.3 RUPPS, BOATS, etc There was some confusion over what the County is doing. Mr Lampard will arrange a speaker for a future meeting.

Action ML

08/11 Transport

Deferred as Mr Harris was absent

08/12 COMMUNICATIONS

08/12.1 Minutes of Communications Committee meeting on 6 January 2008. The [minutes](#) were noted. Miss Bourne, Mr Duxbury and Mrs Dryden were willing to be profiled in Hill & Valley.

08/12.2 Reception for new villagers. Likely dates were Weds 9 or Tues 15 April. **Agreed** that it would be useful to bring in the school. **Action JB will contact the school and also Mrs Blundell re catering.**

08/12.3 Communication Committee membership Noted that the committee would like to replace Mrs Dowler who has left the village and will advertise in Hill & Valley. They felt that combining the roles of village correspondent, roving interviewer for Hill & Valley and detached reviewer of the village website would make an attractive job for a new member of the committee.

08/13 SCHOOL AND PLAYGROUP

Nothing to report in the absence of Mr Cooper.

08/14 VILLAGE HALL

Nothing to report

08/15 CORRESPONDENCE

See list attached (Appendix 2)

Ore HCC local Councillor, Michael Woodhall, had supported the idea of using his parish grant (approx £300) towards a village party. It was **agreed** to offer (subject, of course, to the application

being successful) to subsidise a barn dance band for the Community Association Midsummer Event.

Mrs Barber will check with the Clerk that Mr Duxbury has been booked on the 7 Feb Planning Workshop 'Responding to Planning Applications'. **Action MB**

08/16 Dates of Meetings and Reports

Hampshire Minerals Plan Open Meeting 22 January 7.30 – Community Hall

Next Parish Council meeting – Monday, 11 February 2008

08/16 CLOSURE

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 22.00.

Appendix 1

Longparish Parish Council Financial Report

Period from 11-Nov-07 to 10-Jan-08

Income	Previous years		Year to 31 March 08		
	Year to 31/3/06	Year to 31/3/07	Budget	Total so far	Total for period
Precept	15,000	15,000	15,000	15000.00	0.00
Bank Interest	0	0		0.00	0.00
Cemetery fees	608	641	250	328.00	0.00
Handbook sales	0	30	30	0.00	0.00
Grant Ashburn Rest	0	3,355	0	0.00	0.00
Grant Village Plan	2,738	0	0	0.00	0.00
Grant Equipment	0	0	2,000	0.00	0.00
Donations	0	0		0.00	0.00
Allotment rents received	36	36	36	30.00	0.00
Parish Paths Partnership	0	0	400	526.00	526.00
VAT refund	2,193	0		604.31	0.00
Other	845	431	150	150.00	0.00
TOTAL	21,420	19,493	17,866	16638.31	526.00

Expenditure

Clerks Pay/Expenses	1,712	1,935	2,200	1376.35	419.40
General Admin	1,755	1,708	1,800	2060.48	115.00
Elections	0	0	0	28.45	0.00
Open spaces	6,098	6,573	7,000	3393.59	825.00
Communications	677	747	1,470	534.99	93.75
Paths	0	0	900	976.00	0.00
Capital Expenditure	730	0	4,000	0.00	0.00
Village Hall	34	788	3,500	1864.30	0.00
Community Association	0	0	1,740	1440.00	1440.00
Village Plan (production)	3,968	0	0	0.00	0.00
Village Plan (implementation)	3,095	83	3,000	2045.58	0.00
Transfer to Village Hall fund	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Community project	3,592	0	0	0.00	0.00
Ashburn Rest		5,129	0	0.00	0.00
Other	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
VAT	1,255	589		831.88	50.75
TOTAL	22,917	17,553	25,610	14551.62	2943.90

Transfer from HCC investment					
Closing Bank Balance	5,011	6950.93	-793	9037.62	

Invested with HCC

At start	40,634	42,403	44,377	44377.36	
Add Interest	1,768	1,975	2,000	1210.37	0.00
Transfers from (- to) bank	0	0		0.00	0.00
At finish	42,403	44,377	46,377	45587.73	

Cheques drawn in period

Date	No	To	For	Gross	VAT	Net
10-Dec-07	811	Eclipse Pest Control	Mole Control	90.00		90.00
10-Dec-07	812	Paul Knipe	Southside Common mtce.	340.75	50.75	290.00
10-Dec-07	813	Trim & Strim	Grass Cutting	120.00		120.00
10-Dec-07	814	Hill & Valley	Magazine	93.75		93.75
10-Dec-07	815	Clive Kent	Grass Cutting	325.00		325.00
10-Dec-07	816	PH Jarrett	Salary	378.57		378.57
10-Dec-07	817	Inland Revenue	Income Tax	40.83		40.83
10-Dec-07	818	Community Assn.	Grant	1440.00		1440.00
10-Dec-07	819	ICO	Data Protection Act licence	35.00		35.00
10-Dec-07	820	CANCELLED				0.00
10-Dec-07	821	HAPTC	Course Fees x2	80.00		80.00

Appendix 2

Correspondence: 9 December 2007 – 13 January 2008

Received

	FROM	SUBJECT
1	National Grid	Gas Pipeline construction dates
2	LCA	Receipt of £1440 grant.
3	HCYBA	Request for grant for Brass Bands
4	HAPTC	Legionella in Water
5	HALC	Core Skills For Councillors Course – 19 March – Alton Maltings Centre
6	HALC	Representing and Leading Communities – Course – 19 June - Chilworth
7	HALC	Partnership Working and Community Engagement Course 18 Feb - Botley
8	HCC	School Places Plan 2007 - booklet
9	Highways Agency	Journey Planner leaflets
10	HCC	Improving the HWRC service for householders in Hampshire
11	LCA	Grant request for 208/9

Sent

	FROM	TO	SUBJECT
1	C Duxbury via Clerk	TVBC	Patchington – comments on planning application
2	C Duxbury via Clerk	HCC	Comments on Mineral Plan

Appendix 3
Longparish Parish Council
Projected income and expenditure to 31 March 2008
Budget for year to 31 March 2009

Income	Previous years		Year to 31 March 08			Year to 31 Mar 09
	Year to 31/3/06	Year to 31/3/07	Budget Year to 31 Mar 08	Est total to 31 Mar 08	Est Total for 1 Jan 08 to 31 Mar 08	Budget year to 31 Mar 09
Precept	15,000	15,000	15,000	15000.00	0.00	15000
Bank Interest	0	0		0.00	0.00	0
Cemetery fees	608	641	250	388.00	60.00	350
Handbook sales	0	30	30	0.00	0.00	50
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Grant Village Plan	2,738	0	0	0.00	0.00	
Grant Equipment	0	0	2,000	0.00	0.00	500
Donations	0	0		364.30	364.30	
Allotment rents received	36	36	36	30.00	0.00	36
Parish Paths Partnership	0	0	400	526.00	0.00	
VAT refund	2,193	0		1454.31	850.00	
Other	845	431	150	150.00	0.00	100
TOTAL	21,420	19,493	17,866	17912.61	1274.30	16036

Expenditure

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Elections	0	0	0	28.45	0.00	0
Open spaces	6,098	6,573	7,000	6733.59	3340.00	7666
Communications	677	747	1,470	628.74	93.75	1830
Paths	0	0	900	976.00	0.00	100
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Community Association	0	0	1,740	1440.00	0.00	1440
Village Plan (production)	3,968	0	0	0.00	0.00	0
Village Plan (implementation)	3,095	83	3,000	4445.58	2400.00	1500
Transfer to HCC Savings	0	0	0	500.00	500.00	
Community project	3,592	0	0	0.00	0.00	0
Ashburn Rest		5,129	0	0.00	0.00	0
Other	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	500
VAT	1,255	589		1181.88	350.00	
TOTAL	22,917	17,553	25,610	22115.37	7563.75	19436

Transfer from HCC investment						0
Closing Bank Balance	5,011	6950.93	-793	2748.17		-651.83

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Add Interest	1,768	1,975	2,000	2410.37	1200.00	2500
Transfers from (- to) bank	0	0		500.00	500.00	0
At finish	42,403	44,377	46,377	47287.73		49787.73