

Longdon Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting of Longdon Parish Council held 7.30pm on Tuesday, 14th May 2019 at Longdon Village Hall

Present: **Parish Councillors:** G Duckett, C Stevens, H Hulme, A Fullwood, J Watkins-Smythe, G Crowe
Other Councillors: Councillor M. Tittley LDC & SCC
Clerk: C E Gracey
Public Attendees: 1
Councillor Apologies: None

Min No.	Item	Action
134 134.1	Apologies & Acceptance of Absence None	
135 135.1	Declarations of Interest None reported	
136 136.1	Chairman to close meeting for public session No comments Full Council meeting re opened	
137 137.1	Minutes of Monthly Full Council Meeting held on 9th April 2019. The minutes of the 12 March 2019 meeting were approved as a correct record. It was resolved to approve and accept the minutes of the full Parish Council meeting held on 9th April 2019 as a correct record Proposed Cllr J Watkins-Smyth, seconded Cllr H. Hulme	
138 138.1	Matters Arising All matters had been dealt with or were to be/had been discussed on the agenda apart from: <u>Malthouse tree issue</u> C Stevens – commented that he had email the clerk with the information, Members discussed the concerns on Malthouse Road, with many trees over hanging the road. Cllr. Martin Tittley asked for himself to be included in any emails to the county council. <u>BKV</u> G Duckett – Commented on the BKV and the progress in tidying up and decorating the village with bunting & posters, new walking leaflet holders had been purchased. Progress being made A.Fullwood – Had visited St James school to present the prizes for the BKV poster competition, winners would be forwarded to the County	CEG

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	<p>entry.</p> <p>J.Watkins-Smythe – confirmed that the dog bins had been cleaned.</p> <p>Noted</p>	
<p>139</p> <p>139.1</p>	<p>Outside Bodies Feedback</p> <p>C. Stevens met with a resident of Gentleshaw & discussed concerns about school parking on the verge and damaging. This land is in the process of being transferred to the parish council and there are covenants that are in place that restrict what can be done to the land. Cllr Stevens was asked to advise the Parishioner that we would at what can be done and get back to her.</p> <p>G. Duckett had attended a meeting of the church regarding the lack of space for burials, another meeting was planned for the 30th May.</p> <p>Longdon Life – all copies delivered</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>GD to attend meeting & update council</p>
<p>140</p> <p>140.1</p>	<p>Environment Issues</p> <p>Best Kept Village Competition (BKV) – as discussed in matters arising</p> <p>Noted</p>	
<p>141</p> <p>141.1</p>	<p>Highways</p> <p>HGV's – Councillors discussed the complaint received regarding the HGV coming through Longdon Green. It was felt that there was little evidence that it was a problem but if necessary, a survey of vehicles could be undertaken. The sign which had been mentioned at the previous year's Annual Assembly was not considered a reasonable spend of the precept as other areas would ask for the same and at a cost of £4000 be untenable.</p> <p>Cllr Tittley advised that if a concerned Parishioner wished to make it so then it would have to be a donation to the Parish Council as Staffordshire could not accept any payment for obvious reasons.</p> <p>Potholes - Members discussed the potholes around the village and the poor stated of the main thorough fare. Cllr. M Tittley advised a report to the county council to T. Hemingsley and copy himself in to chase up.</p> <p>Island – Cllr. M. Tittley commented that the consideration for the A51 island is progressing.</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>CEG</p>
<p>142</p> <p>142.1</p>	<p>Annual Parish Assembly</p> <p>The Parish Meeting would take place on 21st May 2019 7.30pm at WI Hall, notices would be posted on all notice boards, the information was already posted on the website.</p>	

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	Noted		
143 143.1	<p>Correspondence Report -The clerk confirmed that all correspondence received by email was forwarded to Councillors for their information. No action was required and included the following.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chairman had received a notification from Cannock Chase Council detailing their local plan, which a link to their site, the clerk with forward the details to councillors • Further details of the land transfer at Gentleshaw. <p>Noted</p>	CEG	
144 144.1	<p>Finance & Accounts for payment</p> <p>Approval of the following payments was debated by the council; Longdon WI grant £200.00 – approved WCVA PAYE March & April £216.20 – approved GCM McCulloh grounds maintenance £640.00 – approved Benhill Press Ltd walking leaflets £711.00 – approved SPCA Cllr course £20.00 – approved LDC refuse 2019/20 churches £675.00 – approved C E Gracey Clerks May salary £ 398.73 – approved G. Duckett Stationery BKV £105.00 – approved G. Crowe – Bin liners BKV £6.50 – approved A. Fullwood – Vouchers, stationery BKV £90.00 – approved J. Alford – Delivery Longdon Life £25.00 – approved A. Fullwood – delivery Longdon Life £25.00 - approved Proposer – G Duckett, Seconder – H Hulme</p>		
144.2	<p>Bank Account – Members discussed the present arrangements and resolved to amend the Financial Regulations enabling all Councillors to become signatories with any 2 to sign. The clerk will change the mandate accordingly.</p> <p>Proposed G Duckett Seconded John Watkins-Smythe</p>	CEG	
144.3	<p>April Budget & Reconciliation – Members discussed & approved the reports.</p> <p>Noted</p>		
145 145.1	<p>Planning Applications</p> <p><u>19/00576/FUH - (Full Application (Householder)) 1st floor extension to side & single storey rear extension @ 38 Upper Way, Upper Longdon</u></p> <p>No objections</p>	CEG	

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<p>146</p> <p>146.1</p>	<p>Any other business, no action can be taken here but comments can be made and suggestions for future meetings</p> <p>Resolved to add the outstanding items above to future agendas and to contact the Clerk with any further items for future meetings.</p>	
<p>148</p> <p>148.1</p>	<p>Dates of future meetings</p> <p>The following meeting dates were agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21st May at 7.30pm, Longdon Parish Annual Assembly– WI Hall, Longdon • 11th June at 7pm, Longdon Parish Council – Cannock Wood & Gentleshaw Village Hall 	
	<p>The meeting ended at 21.05pm</p>	

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