

## LISS PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Liss Parish Council took place at 7.30pm on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

### Members

\* Mr R Hargreaves (Chairman), \*Mr K Budden, \*Mr D Dodds, \*Mrs S Halstead, Mr D Jerrard, \*Mr H Linsley, \*Mr F MacNamara, \*Mrs L McDonald, Mr B Mayo, \*Ms K O'Malley, \*Mr A Smith & \*Ms A Wright.  
\* Present

Clerk: D. Bowery.

In attendance: County Councillor Mr R Oppenheimer & District Councillor Mr M Kendall.

There were no members of the press or public in attendance.

### 140/17 Apologies

Members accepted apologies from Councillors Jerrard & Mayo & District Councillor Mrs L Pienaar.

### 141/17 Declarations of interests

There were no declarations of interests.

### 142/17 Chairman's announcements

The Chairman made the following announcements:

- Liss had been announced as the winner of the Fuller's Hampshire & Isle of Wight Village of the Year for 2017. Liss had also received awards for excellence in localism, community engagement & best village feature. The Chairman proposed a formal vote of thanks to Cllr Halstead who had worked so hard to pull together the various village organisations that participated in the presentations at such short notice & Members agreed wholeheartedly.
- The official opening of the new play facility at Newman Collard Playing Field would take place at 1pm on 20<sup>th</sup> October. The local MP, Damian Hinds, would be performing the ceremony.
- The date of the referendum on the Liss Neighbourhood Plan had been set for 9<sup>th</sup> November.
- The Chairman said that the correspondence schedule contained a number of important consultations.
- Cllr Budden informed the meeting the Village Voice was with the printers & was expected to be available for distribution from 23<sup>rd</sup> October. It was agreed that Joint Clerk Smith be tasked with establishing councillors' availability to help with deliveries.

### 143/17 Report from County Councillor

County Councillor Mr Russell Oppenheimer had submitted a written report that had been circulated prior to the meeting.

He highlighted some issues from his report including the upcoming Serving Hampshire consultation that was looking to achieve £140m of savings by 2019. He noted that LPC had the SDNP Local Plan consultation as an agenda item for its next planning committee meeting; he encouraged LPC to respond on positives as well as negative to demonstrate support for the good things.

Cllr Oppenheimer also covered items on The Hampshire Supporting Troubled Families Programme & One Stop community shops for those needing mental health support.

He added that there were no fixed proposals on the cost cutting issues yet.

Members drew attention to the various cost cutting options & the possible adverse effects on adult care services that included the carers as well as clients.

Cllr Budden said that the Government had indicated that a change in legislation to allow a charge on free bus passes would not be countenanced.

### **144/17 Reports from District Councillors**

District Councillor Mr Kendall said that EHDC had agreed the revised Parish Charter & that there would be a link officer appointed to deal with each parish.

The Clerk was tasked with establishing who the link officer for Liss was.

Cllr Kendall said that the NCPF Trust was submitting an application for a Cabinet Grant for the fitting out costs of cupboards etc at the pavilion extension.

Cllr Kendall said that he had noted the complaint from LPC to EHDC's head of planning regarding the development at Agriculture House. He said he had written to officers & the head of planning but had not received any reply; he felt this was unacceptable & had now written to the portfolio holder.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> September there had been a discussion on the future of Community Forums & Cllr Kendall suggested that LPC may wish to put forward its thoughts on this matter to EHDC. He suggested that the contacts should be the portfolio holder Cllr Butler of the officer, Bob Coleman.

Cllr Kendall had seen that Liss PC had included a large sum for flood risk measures in its CIL projects submission; he hoped to hear from the Environment Agency in the coming days as to whether those measures would be brought forward into the six-year schedule.

District Councillor Mr Keith Budden commented that the Boundary Commission Review consultation included proposals to abolish the Hangars ward & this would leave Liss with two District Councillors rather than the existing three.

It was agreed the Chairman would prepare a paper on the Boundary Commission review for discussion & decision at November Council. It was also agreed that LFRA be made aware of the consultation.

### **145/17 Minutes of the meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

The minutes of the Council meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> September, proposed by Cllr Linsley & seconded by Cllr Budden, were agreed unanimously as a correct record subject to the following amendment:

Minute 135/17 line two, replace "was to be reinstated" with "hoped to be reinstated".

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the Council meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> October be accepted as a correct record.

### **146/17 Matters Arising**

- Min123/17,108/16 & 170/16 – Lych Gate. Cllr Budden reported that he had not been able to meet with EHDC's legal officer yet.
- Min 125/17(i) – Proposed EHDC disposal of land at The Roundabouts/Woodbourne Close. Cllr McDonald asked if the LPC response had been sent & asked if copies of responses could be circulated to Members. It was established that the LPC response had been submitted to meet EHDC's deadline & that all such communications would be appended to future minutes.  
A copy of an email from the County Councillor to an HCC officer regarding the Lych Gate had been circulated. Cllr Oppenheimer informed the meeting that the officer was on leave & an answer was expected in the next few weeks.
- Min 128/17 - Cllr Smith confirmed that LPC had now joined the Lengthsman scheme administered by Steep PC & a list of possible tasks was being compiled.

### **147/17 Clerk's Report (attached)**

The Clerk's report was discussed & the Clerk responded to questions raised.

It was agreed that Cllr Smith would carry out an investigation of photocopying costs.

### **Resolved:**

- That the payments & receipts recorded in Clerk's Report, proposed by Cllr Linsley & seconded by Cllr Budden, be approved.

### **148/17 Clerk's report - Correspondence**

**148/17(i)** Boundary Commission Consultation on review of electoral arrangements for East Hampshire  
THE Chairman would prepare a discussion paper for consideration at November.

**148/17(ii)** DCLG consultation on updating disqualification criteria for local authority member.

No response was necessary.

**148/17(iii)** South Western Railways consultation on timetable proposals

148lr Budden would prepare a response & members would feed in any comments they had.

**148/17(iv)** SDNP consultation on Local Plan pre-submission version

It was agreed that the LPC response be delegated to the Planning Committee

**148/17(v)** Action Hants AGM – No appointments to attend.

**148/17(vii)** Bramshott & Liphook Neighbourhood Plan design Forums

Members could attend the events if they so wished.

**148/17(viii)** |Community First Trustee Forum – No appointments to attend.

**148/17(ix)** – HALC AGM 4/11/17 – Cllrs Halstead & Linsley to attend.

### **149/17 External Audit report on Annual return 2016/17**

The report of the external auditor had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Members noted the concerns included in the report.

**Resolved:** The report of the external auditors on the 2016/17 annual return, proposed by Cllr Wright & seconded by Cllr Linsley be accepted.

### **150/17 reports of Committees**

#### **Planning Committee**

**Resolved:** The draft minutes of the Planning Committee of 20<sup>th</sup> September be noted.

Cllr Halstead gave a review of the minutes.

#### **Liss Pavilion Development Committee**

**Resolved:** The draft minutes of the Liss Pavilion Development Committee of 3<sup>rd</sup> October be noted.

The Chairman gave a review of the minutes.

#### **Review Group**

**Resolved:** The draft minutes of the Review Group of 9<sup>th</sup> October be noted.

Cllr McDonald gave a review of the minutes.

Cllr Dodds gave a review of the minutes.

### **151/17 Matters of Concern**

Cllr Dodds reminded members that the Allotment User meeting was on 30<sup>th</sup> October.

Cllr O'Malley asked what the position of the abandoned caravan in the Longmoor car park was. The Clerk replied that the MOD were aware of the apparent dumping; he added that the car park was within the Greatham parish boundary.

### **152/17 Reports on Outside Bodies**

Cllr Smith had attended the NCPF Trust meeting & reported that the football club were happy with the grass cutting arrangements.

Cllr Linsley had attended NCPF Trust meeting s& new user licenses for 2018 were being prepared.

He had also attended the SDNP workshop event on CIL as well as the HALC 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary event.

Cllr Halstead reported that there had been some headway with the transfer of ownership of the Triangle now that a dedicated HCC officer had been appointed.

She had also attended the SDNP launch of their Local Plan.

Cllr McDonald had attended the HALC 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Cllr Budden had attended the SDNP event as well as EHDC Community Forum that had a presentation on the Petersfield Neighbourhood Plan from members of The Petersfield Society.

The Chairman had also attended the SDNP event.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.15 hrs

Next meeting: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017 19.30hrs