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MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF LEZIATE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 21ST JUNE 2021 FROM 7.30PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

PRESENT: Cllr Andy Parker (AP) (Chair), Cllr. Adrian Bramwell (AB), Cllr Andy Blatch (ABL), Cllr Jason Ess (JE), and Caroline Boyden (CB) Clerk.
County Councillor Moriarty, Borough Cllrs Manning & de Whalley and 6 members of the public.

- 1. WELCOME TO ALL FROM THE CHAIR**
Cllr Manning gave his report which is under item 6.
- 2. PARISHIONERS 15 MINUTE FORUM:**

A number of parishioners present were extremely concerned regarding the excessive parking especially at weekends with visitors to Bawsey Country Park and the Sailing Club. AP advised that the parish council had been trying to get round this issue with involving the police under anti-social behaviour including the property owners, Borough Council, and environmental departments. It was reported that a car was towed away last Sunday as the road was actually blocked. Parishioners reported verbal abuse and the threat of physical violence from the visitors. A representative from the RSPB was present and stated that the passing place on Brow of the Hill should be closed off with a no parking sign and yellow lines considered. The RSPB are providing additional security staff during July and August but their volunteers and staff had also received abuse and threats.

Parking across drives was reported again and another death involved the police, fire, ambulance, and air ambulances. AP reported that this is a real danger and the parish council have reported issues on several occasions and are keeping a log which is fed back to the police. Photographic evidence is always helpful, but parishioners safety always comes first. Advised to keep complaining and consideration to be given to seasonal parking, from Easter to October. A resident reported a parking issue to the Borough Council and was told to report it to the Police.

The Sailing Club footpath is now so wide that cars are parking where the trees have been removed via access from East Winch Road. Cllr Moriarty raised the next SNAP meeting poster did not include Leziate as a priority and had raised this.

PC Barnes met with JE on the 8th of June and walked the area in question, taking photographs but no update as yet. Cllr de Whalley mentioned the Environmental and Community panel had been asked to bring forward their next meeting to July with a presentation from Leziate PC and Copeland Borough Council who have set up a multi-agency hub providing resources and staff.

Cllr Moriarty to contact the new Police and Crime Commissioner as year on year, this is getting worse. It was reported that it costs £15 per day to park at Bawsey which goes some way to explaining why there is an increase in parking in our parish.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

Cllrs Graham Mathias and Stuart Dickerson – illness and Cllr Large – holiday.

COUNCILLORS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

Cllr Parker re Planning Old Rectory and Cllr Ess re Planning Holly Lodge.

4. Matters arising from the meeting on the 4th of May:

Proposed Wellness Centre: JL was thanked for his extensive updated and to be discussed at the July meeting. Cllr Moriarty reported that highways were not happy as the application stands and Cllr de Whalley had contacted Planning who had responded with an update.

Anti-Social Behaviour: As discussed under item 2 and the clerk raised a reported issue of parking on Holt House Lane.

Speedwatch: The clerk reported that all training, equipment, and monitoring would be provided, and a Parish Councillor is not required to be on the team. Once a co-ordinator has been agreed, the application can be made.

5. PLANNING:

Planning to consider: -

5.1 Two storey dwelling at Tanglewood, 69 Gayton Road, Ashwicken – this was discussed and decided to object due to the proposed balcony overlooking properties.

5.2 Two applications received for The Old Rectory at Ashwicken, but comments cannot be made as the planning portal is currently down for upgrading. Clerk to request an extension to the date of 12th July. ACTION CB

6. REPORTS FROM BOROUGH/COUNTY COUNCILLORS:

Cllr. Manning – Confirmed the change of leadership to Stuart Dark and various changes in the committees. The recent grant of £25m will be used in King's Lynn for various projects. On the 1st of July there will be a private meeting with the new Police and Crime Commissioner and the acting Chief Constable will site in until the new Chief Constable is announced. A full council meeting had taken place.

Cllr. de Whalley – Advised on the update from Planning for the Wellness centre and East Winch PC were now meeting on Wednesday and need some help with their response.

CiL funding is running late and the spending panel led by Cllr Blunt due to meet anytime with a starting date in July.

The cycling and infrastructure plan includes Gayton and Grimston on the B145 and further details are awaited prior to consultation. The Town deal of £25m will be spend on the King's Lynn town centre, youth and retraining, the Guild Hall and a new Creative Hub. The Parkway bridge is no longer happening, and the earmarked cash will be used for other projects. Flood defences around Custom House and Quayside under discussion and a multi-user hub proposed for the former Argos site. Concern raised regarding the Carnegie library as the site was gifted to the public as was the land next to the South Gates.

Cllr. Moriarty – AP welcomed Cllr Moriarty and congratulations on his new appointment. The extraction history in the Gayton and Nar Valley is being looked at and the Rangers are due back in August. Any broadband speeds less than 20mb are to be reported – it was mentioned that Leziate rarely get more than 10mb. Two County Council meetings have now been held and it was agreed, unanimously, to support the new hospital at King's Lynn. The Love Norfolk, Hate Litter campaign is going ahead and the recycling centres will now take 3 bags at a time from litter picks. There are grants for composting bins available now. The motor boat nuisance is waterborne and Borough cannot do anything on this but the head of planning at NCC has been very co-operative.

It is thought that the current boating on the Ashwicken Lake is by the owner and in line with the current 28 day rule which has been extended to 56 days. JL has also undertaken some work on this. No update on the CIL01.

7. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

- 7.1 Parishioners emails**– Clerk advised that a parishioner had made contact regarding the weekend parking on Holt House Lane causing various obstructions.
- 7.2** Many parishioners had been in touch regarding anti-social behaviour, Speedwatch and speeding. These are all on-going issues.
- 7.3** The Voice – reports to be sent to the Clerk by the 15th of July.
- 7.4** Cllr Bramwell raised the deadline for the registering of footpaths as 31.12.25 and any footpaths that are not registered by then cannot be added.
- 7.5** QE Hospital update – a march will take place from the bandstand at the Walks to Tuesday market place and Matt Hancock had visited the hospital last Friday.
- 7.6** Local Plan Review – the next stage is the 8 week consultation and comments can be made regarding the soundness of the plan. The Clerk and AB attended the recent presentations.
- 7.7** It was agreed that an official letter be written to Mr. Williamson regarding the anti-social behaviour at the Sailing Club.

8. REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS AND CLERK:

- 8.1** JE - SAM Warden: report circulated and is on the website showing a slight decrease by 0.3 mph. to 40.4 and 42.5mph with a 84 and 72mph recorded.
- 8.2** JE – Village Hall: AGM Minutes have been sent out and consideration to be given to a donation towards the car park works. Quotes for the gates are £2k plus planning permission with the retractable bollards at £190 each plus VAT and we would need 3 and no planning permission. JE will pursue further and signage will be required. ABL mentioned clamping for consideration.
- 8.3** JE/ABL- Play Areas: risk assessments for Village Hall play area sent to the clerk. The litter had been cleared by P Jones and the signage at Glosthorpe had been removed.
- 8.4** GM – Bus Shelters: these require the overgrown foliage to be removed and clerk to ask P Jones to clear. ACTION CB
- 8.5** AP – Fen & Brands Wood: no problems.
- 8.6** AB – Water on B1145 at Bawsey – no problems at present and agreed to remove from the future agendas.
- 8.7** AB – Neighbourhood Watch/SNAP – all very quiet. Next SNAP meeting 7th July.
- 8.8** JL – Footpaths – JL had sent out an updated comprehensive report on footpaths and highways.
- 8.9** JL – Highways – as above with reports to County Council – ABL had reported the pot holes on Church Lane today due to additional traffic and it was mentioned that the repairs are not long lasting. Cllr Moriarty was concerned that the additional traffic was a consequence of tourism and needed to be discussed – will mention to Cllr. Middleton. The infrastructure for the whole of West Norfolk is generally poor.
- 8.10** CB – Clerk update – The CiL report shows £828.00 remaining, and this was signed by AP. The noticeboard in the Village Hall car park had been vandalised and clerk to ask P Jones if he could repair it. ACTION CB
- 8.11** The village sign work to take place as soon as possible and it was agreed to accept Cllr Dickerson’s kind offer. Clerk to chase SD. ACTION CB

9. FINANCE

- 9.1** The May Bank Reconciliation, payments & receipts, bank statements had been sent out to all councillors. Approval proposed by JE and seconded by AB. Motion accepted.
- 9.2** Payments for June , proposed JE, seconded AB and motion carried.
Only invoice for P Jones - £244.45 plus standing orders on staff costs.
Statement of Account:
Current balance was £18,655.03 as at 31.05.21 as on bank reconciliation.
- 9.4** The Clerk advised that the Parish was eligible for the General Power of Competence now that the CILCA had been passed.

10. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- a. Receive updates on Ashwicken Lakes planning application.
- b. Receive updates on anti-social behaviour and speeding.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting scheduled would take place on Monday the 19th of July from 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.42pm