

LEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

MINUTES of the FULL COUNCIL MEETING of the LEIGH PARISH COUNCIL held on Monday 18th July 2022 at 7:30pm at The Pavilion, Leigh Recreation Ground.

Present Cllrs: Mrs J Cambra, Mr M Foulsham, Mr M Everett and Mr P Wilkinson.

Also, present: Mrs L Mann (outgoing Clerk), Mrs F Emmerson-Brown (incoming Clerk), Mr R Worth (Footpath Officer)

Parishioners: 2

324. **Apologies for absence** had been received and accepted from **MVDC Cllr Engel and Cllr Tomkins**

325. The **Minutes of the Full Council Meeting** held on 20th June 2022 were approved and signed by **Mrs Joanne Cambra**.

326. **Disclosure of Interests** if any and any changes to register of interest to note.

326.1. **Disclosure of Interest** made by **Cllr Mike Everett** regarding planning application MO/2022/1103.

327. **Parishioners Questions**

327.1. Speed sign on Newdigate Road has been hit and is now at an angle.

327.1.1. ACTION – To report on Surrey Highways portal

327.2. It was stated that a speed survey on Newdigate Road was approved in March but has not been done.

327.2.1. ACTION – To chase this with Surrey Highways

327.3. It was noted Cllr Everett's PC email is bouncing back.

327.3.1. ACTION – Email to be resent to Cllrs Everett and Cambra with instruction to reset so they can adopt for PC business.

328. **Crime Report** (Appendix A)

328.1. The items run through and noted. **PW** mentioned one item on the list – parking on pavement in Church Road which seemed strange as to his knowledge no pavement in Church Road, and we have been having a problem in Smallshill Road.

329. **Clerk Report/Matters Arising** (Appendix B)

329.1. Solar Farm enquiry – update -planning application has not yet been submitted; however, Sidlow PC Clerk will keep us updated as to when this happens so we can comment as previously stated - **No objection but concern regarding it remaining agricultural land, minimise the visual impact for locality.**

330. **Community**

330.1. Community Projects and Grants

330.1.1. ACTION - Check with the auditor as to reflect the income from Leigh History Group

330.2. Community Activities

330.2.1. SEIB 2022 – It was noted this might be something someone wants to take on for next year? The application and judging process was discussed **JC** advised this is maybe something we might want to revisit in the Autumn.

330.2.2. Leigh Summer show – The hedges have now all been cut and are looking tidy.

330.2.3. **PW** mentioned possibility of a PC stand at Summer/Autumn show to promote PC and the work they do – this was considered a good idea by all Cllrs present and something we could look at for the autumn show and next year's summer show.

331. **Highways and Services**

331.1. Highways

331.1.1. Traffic calming measures discussed such as those recently put up in Charlwood, solar version discussed as battery has very limited life. **ACTION – Clerk to get cost for solar option to be discussed at next meeting.** The possibility of planters for the village also discussed, **JC** suggested for September meeting we have a think about if we had them how many and where.

331.2. Flooding- Nothing new at this time.

331.3. Transport

331.3.1. MF noted the response to Gatwick Airports latest consultation deadline is 27th July, he is drafting a response which he will circulate to all Cllrs for comment before responding.

332. Amenities

332.1. Playground

332.1.1. Playground Inspection- possibility of monthly visual inspection is carried out, will raise this with RT at next meeting.

332.1.2. Recreation Ground parking issues update -*Report back from parking trial; MF has organised a volunteer group to open/close gate on pavilion to help alleviate some of the parking issues at peak times, MF had noted Friday afternoons were definitely busier and we would continue with the trial but as it was now school holidays it was not thought to be so much of an issue. There are still 5 or more regular locals who park on the hard standing.*

332.2. Allotments

332.2.1. Clerk queried if annual allotment charge to remain unchanged ahead of sending out invoices? **ME** asked if charge was covering costs currently? **LM** explained we were trialling cutting the communal grass more frequently but that the cost is currently not covered by the rental. **PW** noted the cost for cutting hedges could not be part of this costing. **ME** pointed out some of the issues with allotments in the past re flooding. **JC** and **ME** suggested a meeting with Allotment holders would be a good idea

332.2.1.1. ACTION – Clerk to arrange meeting for ME and JC with Allotment holders.

332.2.2. **Green Spaces.** Nothing new at this time.

333. Planning

333.1. Applications – Registrations, decisions, appeals (Appendix C) **ME** was asked to leave the meeting 20:20 – while application was discussed – MO/2022/1103 – This was commented on previously as applied for under permitted development, as this has now been applied for under proper approval, no concerns noted. 20:23 **ME** asked to re-join meeting.

No concerns regarding other planning applications listed. No comment. Decisions noted.

334. Administration & Finance

334.1. Q1 Financial Report was signed by **PW**

334.2. Payments as highlighted in (Appendix D) were noted and approved for payment online

334.3. The bank statement (current and reserve) were noted and signed by **PW**

334.4. Other Finance points to note; **PW** noted invoice from Leigh Jubilee celebrations for payment approval shows a profit – queried where this profit is going? **ACTION – FEB to check where profit has been awarded before payment of invoice.**

335. Upcoming Meetings and dates were noted (Appendix E)

335.1. **ME** send apologies for September meeting

335.2. **ACTION: Clerk to send New Councillor Training dates to be sent to MF**

335.3. **Litter Pick** – date agreed 15th October

336. Parishioner's Questions & Comments

336.1. **RW** asked if telephone number on playground sign was correct? It was noted it is correct- waiting for phone number to be transferred to new clerk but number is correct.

336.2. **RW** asked if any other key holders for noticeboards for updating community information? - **FEB**- advised can action any updates or give **RW** a key? **RW** happy to hold a key – **ACTION – FEB to give RW a spare key**

336.3. **RW** asked re stakes and fencing from tree cordoning in playground is to go back to? **ME** agreed he is happy to store these. Re storage of PC paperwork **ACTION – FEB to obtain storage quotes.**

336.4. **FEB** queried re registered address for PC correspondence. **JC** asked about possibility of getting a post box added to the outside of village hall. **ACTION -to ask village hall committee if this would be allowed.**

336.5. **MF** raised parking on bends near village hall, suggested possibility of extending white lines up towards Seven Stars pub as a deterrent as parking causing concern? This has been noted but as it was hopefully a one off no further action at this time.

JC on behalf of PC thanked **LM** as exiting clerk for all her dedication, a presentation was made in recognition.

There being no other business to discuss the chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 21:25