

Minutes of Laver de la Haye Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th April 2018 at 8.00 P.M in Laver de la Haye Village Hall

Present: Cllr Ian Moore (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Peter Bunting, Cllr Anne Hughes, Cllrs Mark Jones, Cllr David Lennox, Cllr Richard Marriage & Cllr Mike Strain
The Clerk, Mr G. Walkingshaw, CBC Kevin Bentley and 3 residents.

18/60 **To accept Apologies for Absence:**
Apologies were received from Cllr Brian Turner (Chairman) & Cllr Tom Harris

18/61 **To receive and record Declarations of Personal and Pecuniary Interest**
None.

18/62 **Matters raised by Residents**
None.

18/63 **To approve the Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting.**
The minutes of the meeting dated 12th March 2018 were approved.
Minutes signed by the Chairman

18/64 **To receive visitors reports from the County Councillor and Borough Councillor**
CBC Kevin Bentley reported that the parish council had been allocated and received money for a leaf blower from the Locality Budget. He further reported that estate roads are being fixed across the county. Money has been set aside for repairs to pot holes caused by snow damage. Essex has £5,000,000 set aside for this purpose.
CBC Kevin Bentley reported that flooding in New Cut could be to do with roots growing and affecting the drainage. An engineer will report back to Kevin and fix the problem.
CBC Kevin Bentley wanted to put out an idea to parish council's in relation to minor road repairs and how councils would feel about paying for repairs to curbs, metal drains, etc. CBC would make money available to subsidise this and would offer parish councils contractors to complete the work.
CBC Kevin Bentley stated that the NEPP meeting had now been delayed until October 2018. He further reported that CBC had yet to visit Laver de la Haye to look at proposed area for yellow lines. CBC Kevin Bentley would make contact with Shane Taylor & Mike Lilley to set up a site visit. Updates on these items would be sent to the parish clerk via e mail.
CBC Kevin Bentley was informed that an enforcement notice for 84a High Road had not been enforced and no work has been completed to rectify the issue. CBC Kevin Bentley will make contact with CBC Andrew Ellis to find out latest action.
CBC Kevin Bentley updated the council on the local plan, part 1 of the local plan dealing with garden settlements has been delayed until June 2018. The Tollgate Partnership had made changes to the local plan, which were different from those discussed with the parish council. CBC Kevin Bentley had been contacted by a resident about a neighbouring house with overgrown vegetation infringing on his land. CBC Highways had looked at the issue and concluded that they should take no further action.

18/65 **Zone Warden's Report**
Tim Pickard reported that the winter warm project had now come to an end. He further reported that a Braintree resident had been fined £100 for enforced littering involving throwing a banana skin out of a car window. He further stated that a local resident had been sent a letter with a fine for dog fouling.

18/66 **Clerk's Report**
The clerk reported the following proposed road closures for Laver de la Haye:
Mill Lane, Laver de la Haye 09:00 to 15:30 9th April 2018 for 5 days
Lower End, Laver de la Haye 09:00 to 17:30 16th April 2018 for 5 days
Abberton Road to Abberton Reservoir, Laver de la Haye 09:00 to 17:30 16th April 2018 for 5 days

The clerk informed the council of two events:

The Ken Wright Memorial Road Race 2018 – Sunday 13th May 2018 08:45 to 12:00 (this will be marshalled by the police & stewards) and the Litter Pick Date – Sunday April 29th 2018 at 10:00 a.m. starting at the Village Hall.

18/67 Finance

67.1 Statement of accounts for February were circulated

67.2 To approve payments in accordance with the 2018/2019 Budget

British Telecom	£76.92
Parish Council Sports Account	£129.98
S. Priestland	£45.00
G. Walkingshaw – Mileage	£4.50
G. Walkingshaw – Salary	£353.76
G. Walkingshaw – New Keys	£6.70
G. Walkingshaw – Stationery	£50.88
G. Walkingshaw – Stamps	<u>£30.00</u>
Total	<u>£697.74</u>

18/68 Planning/Housing

68.1 **Applications for discussion at meeting**

180734 – Lone Ash, Abberton Road, CO2 0LA – Erection of replacement dwelling

Comments: No Objections

68.2 **Planning Applications – Observations conveyed under delegated authority since last meeting**

None

68.3 **Planning Applications – Decisions received from since last meeting**

None

18/69 Allotments (behind Heather Close)

The Round Estate have issued letters to residents of Heather Close, that the land they are using as gardens/allotments will have an annual rent of £70 per annum from December 2018. The parish clerk was actioned to make contact with Mr Cole (Strutt & Parker) to arrange a meeting with the parish council.

18/70 World War 1 – 100th Anniversary (Sunday 11th November 2018)

Event will begin with parade to the memorial cross in the morning, an exhibition in the village hall, a musical event and a beacon at 7.00 p.m. in the evening.

18/71 Local Plan

CBC Kevin Bentley updated the council on the local plan, part 1 of the local plan dealing with garden settlements has been delayed until June 2018. The Tollgate Partnership had made changes to the local plan, which were different from those discussed with the parish council.

18/72 Newsletter

Councillors chose areas around Layer de la Haye to issue the annual Newsletter.

18/73 Defibrillator

To discuss the cost of insurance to the parish council to for the new defibrillator being installed at the village school. The cost would be £70 per annum. It was proposed to accept this and add it to the parish council insurance.

Proposer: Cllr Mike Strain Seconded: Cllr Mark Jones

Agreed by all.

18/74 Playground Repairs

Quotes for remedial work costing £359.60 were received from Playquip Leisure in line with the annual inspection. It was proposed to accept this quote and go ahead with the remedial work.

Proposed: Cllr Tom Bunting Seconded: Cllr Mike Strain

Agreed by all

A further quote for work on the swings/cradle was discussed. The parish clerk was actioned to obtain quotes from at least 2 other companies.

18/75 Training/Events

75.1 Reports on attended events - None

75.2 Nominations for new events – It was suggested by Cllr Mark Jones that any new members to the parish council after this year’s elections should have the opportunity to go on a New Councillors course. Cllr Richard Marriage was also nominated to go on this course.

Agreed by all.

18/76 Information Exchange/Items for next agenda

Cllr Anne Hughes proposed a donation of £100 towards the WW1 100th Anniversary in November 2018.

Proposed PC to donate £100 towards WW1 anniversary

Proposed: Cllr Anne Hughes Seconded: Cllr David Lennox

Proposal was carried – 6 in favour, 1 against.

Cllr Mark Jones reported that Clive Chambers will be helping to dig the ditch at the Folley, it will be dug to decrease the water capacity by 12/15 inches and dug over an area of 25 metres. Cllr Mark Jones asked to amend the CCTV policy by adding the following: “to send footage only to police or prosecuting authorities on request.” Amendment to be agreed at the May parish council meeting.

Cllr Mark Jones requested that information on elections should be added to the Newsletter and website to encourage people to vote

The Vice Chairman Ian Moore wanted to thank Cllr David Lennox and Cllr Tom Harris for all their work on the parish council over the years.

18/77 To confirm date and time of next meeting

Date of next meeting Monday 14th May 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.29 pm.

Signed.....

Chairman

Date.....