

Minutes of Laver de la Haye Parish Council meeting held on Monday 14th October 2019 at 8.00 P.M in Laver de la Haye Village Hall

Present: Chairman Anne Hughes, Cllr Ian Moore (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Peter Bunting, Cllr Brian Turner, Cllr Richard Marriage, Cllr Sarah Hughes & Cllr Mike Strain. The Clerk, Mr G. Walkingshaw, and 6 residents.

19/150 To accept Apologies for Absence:

Apologies were received from Zone Warden, Tim Pickard, Cllr Clive Chambers, CBC Kevin Bentley & CBC Andrew Ellis

19/151 To receive and record Declarations of Personal and Pecuniary Interest

None.

19/152 Matters raised by Resident

A resident asked permission to put up white doves and poppies on the war memorial to commemorate the end of the second world war on the 2nd September 2020 (75 years). Another resident will make the word peace from white lettering and put this on top of the doves. Agreed by all

19/153 To approve the Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting.

The minutes of the meeting dated 9th September 2019 were approved. Minutes signed by the Chairman

19/154 To receive visitors reports from the County Councillor and Borough Councillor

None (apologies received)

19/155 Zone Warden's Report

None

19/156 Clerk's Report

The clerk reported that the community speed watch gun has been replaced with a newer updated version and was used for the Edwards Day Community Speed Watch on the 26th September 2019.

The clerk further reported that British Telecom bills online was not working properly and the clerk could not access the bills online. The clerk has contacted British Telecom asking for an invoice to be sent to the Parish Council, the cost to do this would be £4.00 monthly.

The clerk reported that the school had been in touch with regards to using Heather Fields woodland area for the next four weeks between 9.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. on Tuesdays.

The clerk distributed dates for 2020 Parish Council Meetings and asked councillors to be aware of the January meeting which would be one week later as the parish clerk has been called up for jury service and the April meeting will be one week later due to the Easter Weekend.

19/157 Finance

157.1 Statement of accounts (Richard Marriage)

157.2 To approve payments in accordance with the Budget

The following payments for approved for paying:

Suffolk Tennis Courts	£2,520.00
Parish Clerk Salary	£426.17
Mileage Expenses	£4.50
S. Priestland	£45.00
HMRC – Paye/Tax	£106.60
Opus Energy	£30.39

Colchester Borough Council – Street Lights	£89.36
Total	£3,222.02

19/158 Planning/Housing

158.1 Applications for discussion at meeting

192188 – High Road, Layer de la Haye, CO2 – Single storey detached garage (alternative proposal of approved planning application 190749)

Comments: No Objections

192115 – The Maltings, 10 Malting Green, Layer de la Haye, CO2 – Conversion of existing garage and new link to existing annex

Comments: No Objections

192124 – Hayle House, Church Road, Layer de la Haye, CO2 – Partial garage

Conversion and link extension

Comments: No Objections

158.2 Planning Applications – Observations conveyed under delegated authority since last meeting

191628 – Land Adjacent to 25 Heather Close, Layer de la Haye, CO2 0EQ

Comments: No objections

191718 – 49 Old Forge Road, Layer de la Haye, CO2 0JT – proposed single storey rear and side extension.

Comments: No Objections

Decision: Approve Conditional

191860 – Dormers, Fields Farm Road, Layer de la Haye – Provision of a detached residential annexe in the form of a mobile home in the rear garden.

Comments: Objection for the following reasons:

1. How would the mobile home will be moved into place.
2. There is no mention in the application that this is for temporary use. I have a feeling a mobile home may come with its own rules. If so, we should be careful that no rights are earned.
3. The area is not within the permitted development plan.
4. The footprint of the proposed mobile home is greater than the existing building according to the plan. this should be subject to a two-year time limit as it could set precedent for a permanent structure/new property

Decision: Refuse

191906 – Adopted Footway, Malting Green Road, Layer de la Haye

(Mobile Phone Mast)

(42-day approval – prior approval for planning application)

Comments: The Parish Council would strongly object to this planning application.

Decision: Refuse

191995 – St Chloe, Abberton Road, Layer de la Haye – Minor alterations to approved application 172597. Slight repositioning of cartlodge to achieve larger amenity area. Removal of three immature trees. Minor revision to turning/parking area and entrance into side garden.

Comments: - Objection for the following reasons:

1. Over development of site – 2 bed to 5 bed on a small plot
2. Dangerous access to road
3. Removal of trees – a condition of this application would be to replace trees

192010 – Folleywood, The Folley, Layer de la Haye – Application for variation of Condition 2 following grant of planning permission (APP/A1530/W/18/197998 planning application 173248.

Comments: No Objections

Decision: Approve Conditional

192012 – Rows Farm, Church Road, Layer de la Haye – Erection of a proposed Outdoor classroom, this will be a prefabricated timber structure 12m x 5m. The site location is currently used open land.

Comments: No Objections

Decision: Approve Conditional

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

191191 – Site adjacent to Malting Green Road, Layer de la Haye – Outline application for proposed dwelling

Decision: Refuse

191224 – Garden of Heather Cottage, The Heath, Layer de la Haye, CO2

New bungalow in the garden of Heather Cottage

Decision: Approve Conditional

191481 – Horseshoe Cottage, Church Road, Layer de la Haye – Take down and remove existing conservatory to the rear. Replace with a single storey rear extension. To first floor convert existing loft space into an en-suite with a Velux rooflight on the north facing roofslope.

Decision: Approve Conditional

191619 – 1 Wick Cottages, Church Road, Layer de la Haye – Demolition of existing conservatory and replace with a single storey rear extension.

Decision: Approve Conditional

19/159 Training/Events

159 .1 Reports on attended events - None

159.2 Nominations for new events
Police Coffee Morning – Shrub End – Tuesday 12th November 2019

19/160 Co-option of Parish Councillor

Two candidates have applied for the position of Parish Councillor for Layer de la Haye – Patrick Corps & Margaret Holmes. The two candidates will be invited to meet with the chairman on Monday November 11th 2019 to discuss the position further.

19/161 Local Plan

No updates

19/162 VE 75th Anniversary

The date has been confirmed as Friday 8th May 2020 which is the May Bank Holiday. It was suggested that a tea party on Saturday 10th May 2020 and a Church Service on Sunday 11th May 2020 could be part of the celebrations.

The councillors were actioned to look further into ideas for the event.

19/163 Tollgate Partnership/Section 106 Money

The Chairman asked councillors to come up with community-based suggestions for any monies being obtained as part of the new development at the Folley. Suggestions included fencing

around the playground on the recreation ground, providing a sensory room for the school, a zebra crossing (this idea has previously been rejected by highways due to the high costs involved and being able to secure a suitable space for the crossing), a lollipop person, a church monument, new acoustics for the village hall, new tables/chairs/toilets for the village hall and a new signpost on Malting Green.

19/164 Multi-Sports Court/Allotments

The multi-sports courts will require annual maintenance of the facility. The Parish Clerk was actioned to get 3 quotes for the annual maintenance.

The multi-sports court is back in use and being used by walking football on a weekly basis.

19/165 Information Exchange/Items for next agenda

Chairman Anne Hughes reported that the church had enquired whether a donation for £650 would be granted this year. Chairman Anne Hughes declared an interest. It was agreed by all that the donation be made. Chairman Anne Hughes abstained from voting.

Cllr Sarah Hughes reported an issue with some comments made about the Parish Council on Facebook. The comments were made on a site known as "Secret Layer". The Parish Clerk was actioned to remove the link to Secret Layer from the Parish Council website. Cllr Brian Turner suggested he could meet with the administrator of the site to discuss the matter. He will report back to the Parish Council.

Cllr Richard Marriage reported about the state of footpaths in Layer de la Haye, he will take photos of footpaths needing repaired and present them to the Parish Council.

Cllr Ian Moore informed the meeting that car engines are being left running when parents are picking up children from the school, this is creating pollution outside the school.

Cllr Ian Moore reported that the fire brigade had completed an annual inspection of fire alarms, as a result of the inspection a limit of 60 people has been placed on the village hall until the alarms have been sorted.

Cllr Ian Moore asked councillors to think about a community garden near the village cross. (Top Right on the grass area – 90 degrees from Birch Road)

19/166 To confirm date and time of next meeting

Date of next meeting Monday 11th November 2019 at 8.00 p.m.

Meeting finished at 9.24 p.m.

Signed.....

Chairman

Date.....