

Minutes of Laver de la Haye Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th December 2019 at 8.00 P.M in Laver de la Haye Village Hall

Present: Chairman Anne Hughes, Cllr Ian Moore (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Richard Marriage, Cllr Clive Chambers, Cllr Sarah Hughes Cllr Margaret Holmes & Cllr Mike Strain. The Clerk, Mr G. Walkingshaw CBC Andrew Ellis and 2 residents.

19/187 To accept Apologies for Absence:

Apologies were received from the Zone Warden, Tim Pickard, Cllr Brian Turner & CBC Kevin Bentley

19/188 To receive and record Declarations of Personal and Pecuniary Interest

None.

19/189 Matters raised by Resident

A resident enquired about the height restriction of a wall between Greenacres and High Road. CBC Andrew Ellis actioned the PC to obtain a photo of the wall and he will act upon the photo when received.

19/190 To approve the Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting.

The minutes of the meeting dated 11th November 2019 were approved. Minutes signed by the Chairman

19/191 To receive visitors reports from the County Councillor and Borough Councillor

CBC Andrew Ellis informed the meeting the Part 1 of the Local Plan could begin in January 2020. He further reported that CBC had voted against giving an extra £350,000 towards Garden Communities, since £7,000,000 had already been spent on this.

19/192 Zone Warden's Report

None

19/193 Clerk's Report

None

19/194 Finance

194.1 Statement of accounts (Richard Marriage)

194.2 To approve payments in accordance with the Budget

The following payments for approved for paying:

Parish Clerk Salary	£426.37
Mileage Expenses	£4.50
S. Priestland	£45.00
HMRC – Paye/Tax	£106.40
Bradley Ives (Tree Surgery)	£270.00
Royal British Legion (Wreath)	£60.00
R.J. Playle – Hedges at Sports Multi Court	£120.00
Opus Energy	£67.56
Kent Blaxhill – Post Fix	£4.14
Colchester Borough Council (Street Light Repairs)	£91.44
Total	<u>£1,195.41</u>

19/195 Planning/Housing

195.1 Applications for discussion at meeting

None

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

None

195.3 Planning Applications – Decisions received from since last meeting

192188 – 138 High Road, Layer de la Haye, CO2 0EB – Single storey detached garage (alternative proposal of approved planning application 190749)

Decision: Approve Conditional

19/196 Training/Events

196 .1 Reports on attended events –

196.2 Nominations for new events – Councillor Maggie Holmes to be booked on a planning course in 2020. Agreed by all.

19/197 Footpath in New Cut/Footpath 3

Footpath 3 has been reported to Colchester Borough Council about the muddy conditions.

These are in hand and will be dealt with when staff are available to remedy the situation.

Cllr Maggie Holmes reported the uneven footpath in New Cut from number 28 to the bottom of the road. The Parish Clerk was actioned to see if this had been reported.

Cllr Maggie Holmes had reported 2 pot holes outside number 1 New Cut to Highways and given a reference number of 2640958. It has been investigated and risk assessed by Highways.

19/198 Xmas Tree Carol Singing at the Green

The plan to put a Christmas Tree on the Green this year is not going to happen. However, the Carol Singing will take place.

19/199 War Memorial

The wooden posts at the rear of the green are in a poor state and require replacing. 10 posts in total may require replacing. This will be added as an agenda item for the next meeting.

The Hedge at Brick Wall Farm will be maintained once the ground around it is a bit harder.

19/200 Local Plan

Nothing to report

19/201 VE 75th Anniversary

Chairman Anne Hughes suggested for VE day a picnic and pig roast on the green before moving to the recreation ground.

Cllr Maggie Holmes suggested a tree planting. Cllr Sarah Hughes mentioned that a Rowen tree had fallen down and required replacing. It was agreed that this Rowen tree could be replaced.

Cllr Maggie Holmes suggested sending postcards to servicemen & service women overseas as part of the VE celebrations. Chairman Anne Hughes will contact the school headteacher to see if they could do this.

19/202 Rural Housing

Rural Housing was discussed at a meeting prior to the main meeting with Ruth Newcombe (CBC) & Laura Atkinson (RCCE)

19/203 Tollgate Partnership/Section 106 Money

Nothing further to report

19/204 Multi-Sports Court/Allotments

The Parish Clerk reported that quotes from Suffolk Tennis (£1,760 + 20% VAT) & Playquip (£260 + 20% VAT) had been received.

The Parish Clerk was actioned to e-mail CBC Andrew Ellis to find out which company did this type of work for the council.

Cllr Sarah Hughes suggested contacting the water company to see if they would remove the tree stump or maintain the site on a yearly basis.

19/205 Information Exchange/Items for next agenda

Cllr Sarah Hughes reported that a gift had been purchased for the previous Chairman Mark Jones as a thank you for all his efforts on behalf of residents.

Cllr Maggie Holmes asked for Yellow Lines/Parking to be added to the next agenda.

Cllr Ian Moore reported that a litter pick was required for Birch Road. Cllr Richard Marriage, Cllr Sarah Hughes, Cllr Ian Moore & Cllr Peter Bunting volunteered to do the litter pick.

The Parish Clerk was actioned to contact Tim Pickard, Zone Warden to make arrangements for the use of the equipment.

19/206 To confirm date of next meeting.

Date of next meeting Monday 20th January 2020 at 8.00 p.m.

Meeting closed at 9.13 p.m.

Signed.....

Chairman

Date.....