

Lubbesthorpe Parish Council

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Parish Council Meeting

Venue: The Hub, Tay Road. Lubbesthorpe
Meeting Time: 6.30pm Monday 7th February 2021.

Minutes

Present: Cllr Divyang Jagiwala (chairman), Cllr Richard Ashmore, Cllr Cheryl Cashmore, Cllr Louise Richardson and Cllr Matt Tomeo

Also Present: Martin Ward – The Drummond Estate, Sue Steer – Lubbesthorpe Alive and Lisa Sly (Clerk)

2021/113 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Ashford-Bown.

2021/114 Declarations of Interest.

Cllr Richardson - Planning

2021/115 To discuss the Jubilee Orchard.

Martin Ward attended the meeting and updated the Council on plans for the Jubilee Orchard.

Type of trees. The original idea was to plant an orchard of 70 trees (70 to celebrate the platinum jubilee of the Queen). Martin told the Council that planting an orchard of 70 trees would take up a lot of area as the trees need to be planted approx. 6 meters apart. Also the amount of fruit that a mature fruit tree could produce can be 100kg per tree. Due to these practical issues described by Martin it was agreed to change the trees to broad leafed native trees with some fruit trees interspersed.

The location of the Jubilee Wood will be on Old Warren Park at the back of the Barratts homes near to Beggars Lane. Martin will send a plan of the location for the Clerk to circulate to the councillors.

Layout of trees. The Parish Council quite like the layout of the proposed orchard near to Thorpe Astley so rather than just straight lines the trees are planted in a circle with pathways so that in the future benches can be put in the wood.

The trees will need to be fenced off for a few years to protect the trees and to allow them to become established

At the moment there is a national shortage of trees.

This project is tight for time to source and plant the trees. Ideally trees should be planted before the end of March

The land that the trees will be planted on is currently owned by The Drummond Estate. The Land Trust will maintain the trees once the land has been transferred across. Lisa to confirm this with Charles Langtree.

Costs were discussed and the Parish Council indicated that they have allocated an amount in the 2022/23 budget to plant an orchard/woodland. This is not enough to cover the whole cost indicated by Martin so the Parish Council will also apply for grants to make up to the full amount. The Parish Council intend to pay for the total cost of the woodland if possible. Martin to supply a quote to the Parish Council for the total cost of the woodland.

The plan is for the community to help plant and maintain the trees.

The Parish Council does have a small annual budget to help pay for the maintenance of the woodland, ie replacement trees etc.

The Drummond Estate will organise the watering of the trees

A suggestion was put forward to burry a time capsule in the wood. Ask if the school would like to be involved.

Purchase a plaque to say that the wood was planted by Lubbesthorpe Parish Council to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth. Use the official emblem.

The wood could be officially opened and the capsule buried during the Jubilee weekend.

2021/116 To discuss the Queens Jubilee Event (2-5 June 2022)

- Road closures for this weekend are now free (LCC)
- Event/picnic in Warren park, 12-2
- Help streets to organise their events
- Opening ceremony for jubilee wood including planting of time capsule.
- LA not organising anything on any particular day so Parish Council to go with national ideas.
- Sunday is neighbourhood picnic (national idea).
- Advertise in newsletter
- Community to organise their own street parties.
- Get together in your street, go round the corner or meet in warren park
- Info for LA newsletter including road closure information

- Bunting for Old Warren park.
- Time capsule – ask school if they would like to be involved. Also contact Blaby DC for old photos. Possible school competition to draw a picture of the queen. 1 winner out of each year group or 1 from KS1 and 1 from KS2. Possible prizes commemorative 50pence, to burry the time capsule.

2021/117 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2021.

Decision: The Council approved the Minutes to be a true record of the meeting held on 21st June 2021. The Chairman signed a copy of the Minutes.

2021/118 Clerk’s Report.

Nothing to report

2021/119 Parishioners Participation.

none

2021/120 To accept the accounts for including Payments for Authorisation.

Cashbook

Decision: The Council approved the cashbook.

Budget

Decision: The Council noted the Budget spreadsheet

Bank Statements

Decision: The Council noted the bank statements and the balance of the bank accounts. Current Account £20,809.37, Reserves £34,039.00.

Payments for Authorisation

Decision: The Council Authorised the payments listed below.

Payments for approval at February 2022 Council Meeting						
			Payments			
Date	Name	Description	Inc. vat	ex vat	VAT	Pay by
31/2/2022	Lisa Sly	Clerk Expenses dec & Jan	£53.63	£52.75	£0.88	
26/01/2022	LRALC	Internal Audit 20/22	£220.00	£220.00	£0.00	
TOTAL			£273.63	£272.75	£0.88	

2021/121 To decide upon responses to planning applications received from Blaby District Council.

22/0057/MAT

Non material amendments to outline planning permission 11/0100/1/0X seeking to change the description of development to incorporate the words - 'with the provision of care' after 'residential uses', to alter the schedule of development to provide for a 66 bed care home facility at the Local Centre 01 to replace the envisaged 40 residential dwellings; and to relocate the proposed health centre from the District Centre to the Local Centre 01

Decision: support

21/1488/HH

Retention of front hardstanding

Tweed Street

Decision: object

Comments: not in keeping with rest of the properties. This may set a precedent for other properties.

2021/122 To adopt the grants policy and application form.

Decision: The council made some changes to the policy. Updated policy to be brought to the next meeting with the intention for it to be released for the next financial year.

2021/123 To discuss the agenda for the Eco Meeting

The Eco Working Group initial meeting will be held on Monday 21st February at 7pm in the Community Room.

Decision: Councillors on the working group will be Cllrs Ashmore and Tomeo. All councillors are invited to attend this first meeting

Agenda items:

- Welcome from the chairman
- Eco representative from Blaby District Council
- Eco representative from Leicestershire County council
- Explanation of how working groups work
- Any questions
- Brain storming, if time allows.
- Discuss date and frequency

Collect names and e-mails of those present

As many people as possible can be on the committee

2021/124 To discuss the next newsletter

The next newsletter is due to be issued in May. Articles should be with the clerk by the end of March. The Council discussed various article ideas.

- Welcome from the chairman (mention parking) – Cllr Jagiwala
- Farming update
- County council update – Cllr Richardson

- District council update – Cllr Cashmore
- What has the PC done in the last 6 months (include Remembrance, planting of jubilee wood, Christmas event) - Cllr Jagiwala
- What PC is planning in the next 6 months (include grant policy, plant time capsule, jubilee event, planting jubilee wood) – Cllr Tomeo
- Calendar of events – clerk.
- Jubilee event.
- Eco group – clerk.
- What does parish, district and County council do? – Clerk.
- Community groups (LA) – clerk.
- Update from the school.
- Update from The Land trust.
- Update from The Drummond Estate.

2021/125 To note any correspondence and information from the Clerk.

The Parish Council have received correspondence regarding parking at school drop off. Police have attended.

Information from the Clerk

- The clerk informed the council of holidays booked later in the year (these have already been approved by the staffing committee)
- The clerk suggested the possibility of the council purchasing a shed (that could be placed in the hub garden) to store parish council equipment ie Christmas decorations and the Tommy silhouettes currently stored in the clerk’s garage. The council suggested approaching the school to see if they could store the items.
- The clerk requested to attend training “Building two-way conversation with the wider community”. Dates tbc. The council agree to this
- Lubbesthorpe Alive are creating a virtual newsletter and would like an article from the Parish Council. Cllr Jagiwala, as chairman, will prepare a 3 min video.

2021/126 Information exchange.

When the clerk received the updated electoral role please can she pass on information regarding number of residents and number of properties to all councillors.

Meeting finished 20:53pm