

# Lea & Cleverton Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021 in the Church Room at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs S Masson (Chair), S Suter, C Pope & D Maidment

**Also present:** Claire Mann (Parish Clerk), Elizabeth Threlfall (WC), Charlotte Watkins (Planning Agent for Winkworth Gate Application) & 3 members of the public

**95/21 To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Cllr N Maidment

**96/21 To receive declarations of interest**

None.

*It was agreed to bring forwards the Co-option of new member and Planning Application discussions for the Planning Agent present*

**97/21 To consider co-option for vacancy**

Cllr Masson proposed Stephen Carroll is co-opted onto the Parish Council, it was unanimously agreed to co-opt Stephen Carroll as Councillor for Lea & Cleverton PC. Cllr Carroll signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**98/21 To consider Planning Applications received and note those determined**

PL/2021/10793 – Winkworth Gate

Following discussion it was resolved that members **strongly object** to the application. Detailed comments would be submitted noting members' objection, particularly around flooding issues and extension of the settlement boundary.

*1 member of the public left the meeting*

PL/2021/09900 – Firs Farm

Following discussion it was resolved that members **support** the application provided there are no adverse social issues and that the Council is satisfied with the proposals although members aren't qualified to judge the lawfulness.

PL/2021/10261 - Rosebank

Following discussion it was resolved that members have **no objection** to the application subject to it being of ancillary use and not a separate property.

PL/2021/10327 – Land Off Clay St

Following discussion it was resolved that members have **no objection** to the application.

PL/2021/10433 – The Old Post Office

Following discussion it was agreed that the application provides no details about how increased runoff from rainfall will be managed due to the increase in impermeable area as a result of the

proposed extension. Should permission be granted we suggest a **condition** should be imposed that appropriate SUDs measures should be incorporated in final designs together with details of how much and how the predicted increase on run-off will be mitigated

It was noted that the Cornwall Villa application discussed at a previous meeting had been passed by Wiltshire Council.

**99/21 To approve minutes of planning meetings held on the 12<sup>th</sup> October & 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

The minutes of both meetings were approved and signed as a correct record.

**100/21 To receive Chairman's Comments**

Cllr Masson welcomed Cllr Carroll to the Parish Council and thanked him for his work on the Footpaths Group.

It was suggested that a springtime maintenance/repair programme is set up for the Jubilee Playing by a voluntary group.

Cllr Masson reported that some members of the PC had attended a very informative meeting of the Community Alliance, set up by the Malmesbury Area Board.

**101/21 To receive verbal report from Cllr Elizabeth Threlfall, Wiltshire Council**

Cllr Threlfall reiterated that the Community Alliance Forum is a useful tool/platform for discussion and raising concerns. CATG is making slow progress but the Drainage Team will look into the scheme requested by the PC some time ago. The pollution of streams is a concern for Cllr Threlfall currently.

*It was agreed to bring Item 14 forwards for Allotment Tenant in attendance*

**102/21 To consider Allotment Maintenance**

Mr Smilie attended the meeting as an allotment tenant and asked if a note could go out to allotment holders requesting that the inside of the hedge is trimmed by the roadside. Mr Smilie will continue to monitor the allotments and will work with the Parish Clerk to maintain communication and raise issues.

*Mr Smilie left the meeting*

**103/21 To receive verbal report from RoW Working Group**

Cllr Carroll updated members on the progress of the Working Group, the initiative is developing well and conversation is ongoing with Wiltshire Council.

**104/21 To receive verbal report from Highways Working Group**

Cllr Pope reported that the white lines on the corners of Crab Mill & Cresswell Lanes would be re-instated and that a Traffic Survey request would be made for The Spinney.

**105/21 To consider the Parish 2022/23 Precept requirement and to receive current finance report.**

It was agreed that this would be discussed at a meeting in December to ensure the deadline is met.

**106/21 To discuss way forward for Village Hall**

Cllr Suter suggested that a consultation is put together for all members of the Community with sufficient options which would leave a clear mandate for the way forward as requested by the residents themselves. Parish Clerk to action.

**107/21 To discuss telephone box repairs in the Parish**

It was resolved that the Parish Clerk would source the paint required and will accept the very kind offer from residents in Garsdon to repaint the telephone box.

*It was agreed to defer items 16 & 17*

Meeting closed at 10.07pm