

LEIGH PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES
For Meeting Held At Leigh Village Hall On
18th July 2017 At 7.30pm

Present: Cllr Scutt, Cllr Vincent, Cllr Bugler, DCllr Penfold, the Clerk and 9 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Cllr Stillitano, Cllr Bennett, Cllr West, DCllr Penfold, Cllr West, Cllr Bennett, DCllr Lawrence.
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – none declared.
3. TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES
 - 3.1 It was resolved "THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 23TH MAY 2017 BE APPROVED AND SIGNED BY CHAIRMAN". Unanimously agreed and signed by the chairman.
4. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR
 - 4.1 It was resolved "THAT MARK READ BE CO-OPTED ONTO LEIGH PARISH COUNCIL. Proposed: Cllr Bugler, 2nd Cllr Vincent unanimously agreed. Mr Read was unable to attend the meeting due to unavoidable circumstances. The Clerk will send the appropriate paperwork to sign and bring to the next meeting.
5. FINANCIAL MATTERS & ASSET REGISTER
 - 5.1 Clerk's salary for 2 months. Total: £305.94. Proposed Cllr Scutt, 2nd Cllr Bugler unanimously agreed.
 - 5.2 Clerks invoice for expenses as presented £40.10. Proposed Cllr Scutt, 2nd Cllr Bugler unanimously agreed.
 - 5.3 DAPTC Annual subscription will be due soon, it was agreed that this should be continued to be paid. Proposed Cllr Scutt, 2nd Cllr Bugler unanimously agreed..
 - 5.4 Grant £500 for graveyard maintenance to be finalized to Leigh Church Fabric Fund.
 - 5.5 Leigh Neighbourhood Plan – invoice £749.40. Proposed Cllr Scutt, 2nd Cllr Bugler unanimously agreed..
6. PLAY PARK
 - 6.1 Cllr Bugler reported that the committee were reviewing the layout of where the Play area may move to. As the lease will be more than 7 years the layout needs to be lodged with the Land Registry.
7. RESULT OF THE POLL – NEXT STEPS.
 - 7.1 Cllr Scutt reported that there had been over 40% turn out for the Parish Poll which is general regarded as a good turnout. The outcome was Yes - 117, No - 57.
 - 7.2 Cllr Scutt proposes to discuss availability of the land in question, its size and cost. Review grants and look at offers of private funding available. She will not be available for the meeting in September but will provide a report for the meeting.
8. GATES – GRANT AVAILABLE AS PER 14.7

8.1 Trevor Evans reported that there was the potential of a grant from “4 free Health” which would provide like for like in gates for the footpaths. Potentially the PC could obtain 8 gates for the price of 4. Positions were discussed. It was agreed that Mr Evans should pursue the project and report at the next meeting.

8.2 It was agreed that a deputy should be sort to support Mr Evans, and to pass his knowledge onto. Cllr Scutt will write an article for the Wriggle Valley Magazine to look for interested parties.

9. WEBSITE

9.1 Cllr Scutt reported that the web managers are leaving the area and as a result will be giving up managing the website. They are happy to continue for the foreseeable future as this can be done remotely, but the village needs to review what should happen to the website. Should this be a community facility or a Parish Council website? Cllr Scutt will write an article for the Wriggle Valley magazine to determine interest in managing the website.

10. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

10.1 Richard Smith reported about the demise of the service bus service 212 & 74. The Wriggle Valley transport team are looking at different options that might provide a service. One option would be the purchase of a bus which could be managed by a voluntary scheme, with support of grants and volunteers.

10.2 CCllr Penfold is due to have some more information regarding new information about the bus services.

10.3 Councilors agreed that further information on use, cost and investigation into all the proposals that the Wriggle Valley Transport Team could provide would be required prior to any financial commitment being provided by the Parish Council.

10.4 Richard Smith reported that The Neighbourhood Plan has received £2016.00 funding to continue the plan. This will be used to finalize the questionnaire, which will be distributed to everyone in Leigh. There will also be a meeting in the village hall to allow questions to be answered. The results will be circulated and from this more specialized questionnaires will be formulated, circulated and analyzed.

10.5 The Neighbourhood Plan has lost 3 members of the steering group and are looking for more members to join.

11. TRAFFIC SPEED IN LEIGH - Move to the next meeting.

12. PLANNING MATTERS

12.1 Appeal allowed - Land adjacent to Rose Cottage, South Street, Leigh (WD/D/16/001823)

12.2 Decision Notice WD/D/17/000985 HIGHER FIELD, TOTNELL, LEIGH, SHERBORNE, DT9 6HT – approval of planning permission given.

12.3 Decision Notice WD/D/17/000792 POUND FARM, BACK DROVE, LEIGH, SHERBORNE, DT9 6JD - – approval of planning permission given.

12.4 Decision Notice WD/D/17/001387 THE CROSS HOUSE, CHETNOLE ROAD, LEIGH, SHERBORNE, DT9 6HL – Grant of non material amendment

12.5 Planning Consultation WD/D/17/001371 GUYERS COTTAGE, CHETNOLE ROAD, LEIGH, SHERBORNE, DT9 6HL – Support the application collectively.

13. POLICY FOR DEALING WITH PERSISTENT OR VEXATIOUS

COMPLAINTS/HARASSMENT

13.1 Cllr Scutt circulated a draft copy to review and bring to the next meeting.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 GRANTfinder 4 Local Government Newsflash: The Trusthouse Charitable Foundation Publishes New Guidelines for 2017

14.2 Dorset's new public and school transport contracts awarded

14.3 New Pay Claim Consultation with NALC Local Council members.

14.4 SSEN Resilient Communities Fund - deadline for 2017 bids is 13th August.

14.5 Updated Legal Topic Note on Planning & Building Control Enforcement

14.6 War Memorials Workshop

14.7 FUNDING OPPORTUNITY improving local path networks

14.8 Travel and transport news: New roundabout, new bridge, new bus contracts

14.9 Gleam News Group circulated.

14.10 The Rotary Club of Yeovil - Support for Children's Hospice South West

14.11 Reminder of deadline - 28 July - for proposals for the DAPTC AGM

14.12 Consultation on a proposed town council for Weymouth

15. ITEMS OF URGENT NATURE SUBJECT TO CHAIRMAN'S APPROVAL - None

16. DISCUSSION PERIOD.- None

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 19th September 2017 at 7.30pm.