

A Meeting of the Town Council was held in the Memorial Hall, Lechlade on Monday 2nd April 2007.

Present Cllr Jones

Cllr Cawsey
 Cllr Chase
 Cllr Dover
 Cllr Gillard
 Cllr Gould
 Cllr Roberts
 Cllr Mrs Seale
 Cllr Sullivan
 Cllr Mrs Wilson

CDC Cllrs Mrs Carter and Mrs Eatwell
 GCC Cllr Theodoulou
 Reporter Andrew Woolfoot

- 1 Apologies were received from Cllr Bennett and Cllr Mrs Mabon.
- 2 Declarations of Interest
 There were none.
- 3 Approval of Minutes of 5th March
 There were approved subject to the addition of 'Derrick Phillips' title in paragraph 3 on page 39, the deletion of the final paragraph on page 41 and the substitution of 'Cllr Mrs Wilson raised the question of e-mails not being passed on or are lost due to spam on the Council's server. She would seek possible solutions'.
- 4 Matters arising from the Minutes
 - a) Skateboard Park
 The work had been carried out.
 - b) Notice board at Perrinsfield
 The Clerk had repaired and re-positioned the board. However owing to dampness of the wood, it would be necessary to restick the pin material.
 - c) Playground
 The repairs to the ladder in the Recreation field had once again been vandalised and would be re-done. The lorry in Swansfield would be removed completely as it was beyond repair.
 - d) Clerk Workload
 The Chairman reported that the Finance Committee had met and recommended that an Assistant Clerk be recruited for eight hours a week to

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assist with general office work and minute-taking. This appointment would also assist in opening the office to the public on all weekdays. This was approved and an advert would be placed in the next Newsletter.

- e) **Trees in Lodersfield**
The Clerk reported that he had contacted Mr Poulton who would produce a report.
- f) **Public Enquiry**
The Clerk had liaised with County and the date was tentatively set for 10/11th July.
- g) **Annual Parish Meeting**
The Chairman reported that he had arranged for Mr Phillips to talk about Fairford Hospital and Mr Norris to talk about the Upper River Thames Heritage Trust.
- h) **Meetings Attended**
Cllrs Jones, Gillard and Cawsey had attended Lechlade 2000+. There had been some debate regarding the erection of Welcome signs at the western entrance to the Town. This led to the discussion of a notice board in that area. Arising from the unveiling of the new Historical Society notice board in the Water Park was the question of swan vs the existing town emblem. Both these matters should be left to a future meeting when they would be placed on the agenda.

Cllr Cawsey had also attended two meetings of the Christmas Lights Committee and Fairford Hospital.

Cllr Mrs Seale had attended the GMTF meeting in Ledbury where they had obtained Lottery money and had gutted and redesigned the old Chapel Hospital for use by young entrepreneurs and also for affordable housing.

Cllr Mrs Wilson had attended the two Christmas Lights Committee meetings and a meeting with Mole Production.

Cllr Sullivan had attended the Cotswold Water Park meeting where the discussion was regarding bridle paths vs footpaths.

Cllr Jones had attended the 2000+ meeting and the AGM of the Lechlade and District Society.

5 CDC Report

The extended Claydon Pike development had been refused Planning Permission. The Environment Agency was still not satisfied with the flood assessments or the site of the sewerage disposal works.

The Enforcement Officer had attended Tidworth Cottages and action had been taken over the case concerning the number of animals at one property.

However the problem of long term stay on boats in the Marina had not been resolved.

Mr R Austin would be asked to involve the Enforcement Officer in the replacement of the Manor Wall.

The BP site would shortly be marketed.

6 GCC Report

The Cotswold Voluntary Force would be funded for the new financial year.

The A417 would receive extra maintenance to improve the state of the flooding areas.

Road accidents in the Cotswold area were down on last year.

7 Planning Applications and Decision Notices.

These were circulated and agreed.

8 Correspondence

The Clerk was requested to reply to the letter from Anchor Staying Put regarding Deacon's wall allowing permission with reservations.

Cllr Mrs Seale would attempt to make the meeting regarding civil parking.

9 Water Park

There had again been voices raised about the noise and other nuisances in the Water Park which was under the control of Swindon Borough Council.

With regard to the problem of waste disposal it was suggested that if they would pay for it there might be an arrangement with SITA.

10 Website

Cllr Mrs Wilson presented her notes on discussion with Mole Productions. It was agreed that the spam filter should be at their server. The matter of re-directing e-mails would be discussed at another meeting and the question of forthcoming events would also be left to a future meeting and placed on the agenda.

11 Christmas Lights

The report had already been dealt with in Correspondence. The members' attention was drawn to the dates of the future fund raising events.

12 Matters Outstanding

There was a branch obstructing the pathway in Westway.

A request was received for a dog bin in Wharf Lane. This would need to be near the road for emptying access.

The Chairman closed the meeting thanking Cllrs Bennett and Mrs Mabon for their help over the years and gave especial thanks to Cllr Chase for his 36 years' service.

13 Date of Next Meeting

25th April - Annual Parish Meeting

14th May - New Council Meeting

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