



LEONARD STANLEY

P A R I S H C O U N C I L

Minutes of the Leonard Stanley Parish Council Annual Meeting held on Tuesday 1st July 2008 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Present:- Councillors W Bevan, C Connett, M Forder (Chairperson), R Gaunt, P Herbert & M Mukasa

Observing:- District Cllr N Studdert-Kennedy and County Cllr L Williams

Also Present:- Mr Bevan, Mr D Newton, Mr C Jones & Senior Planning Officer Pippa Moore

1. Apologies for Absence – Cllr J Wiseman & District Cllr Apperley

2. Declarations of Interest in Agenda Items – Cllr Bevan item 5.

3. Minutes – It was proposed by Cllr Mukasa that the minutes of 6th May 2008 meeting be accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Bevan and carried unanimously.

4. Public Time – It was agreed that the matter of **Grange Farm Development** be discussed in this allocated public time, to enable Pippa Moore to answer any questions.

- Mr Newton asked whether the appropriate notifications had been issued with regard to the Revised Plans. Pippa Moore stated that she understood that they had been issued but would check.
- Mr Newton asked what the new consultation period was. Pippa Moore stated that Stroud District Council would take into consideration any public comments up until a decision has been made. If someone has previously written in but feel that the new plans do not adequately address their concerns, then they should write again. (The clerk agreed to place a note in the newsletter).
- Mr Newton requested that Stroud District Council purchase a strip of land from the farmer, that had previously used to access a barn, but if the development is successful will be made redundant. He suggested that this could then be used as a community orchard. The Parish Council asked Mr Newton who would then become responsible for the orchard – he replied that there are several organisations who manage this type of project and offer training and assistance.
- Mr Newton stated that he is currently consulting with a group of individuals from both Leonard Stanley and Kings Stanley who wish to develop ideas to improve cycle facilities in the area, and requested that the new development improve both the pedestrian and cycle access. Pippa Moore stated that requests to the developers had to be related and relevant to the development when seeking contributions.
- The Parish Council were concerned that money being sought from the various Council departments in respect of the S106 were not given the appropriate level of consideration to what the village would most benefit from, especially as none of the departments have consulted with the Parish Council.
- The Parish Council were in agreement that their top priority was to ensure that Bath Road was made safe for all users. The clerk to contact Highways and raise their concerns, and request a copy of their proposed plan for the area.
- The Parish Council would like the clerk to investigate why, how and where the money is to be spent from the S106.

- Cllr Williams stated that developers often changed mid-build and that this could affect the overall project and any agreement on the S106, and urged the Parish Council to bear this in mind. Pippa Moore stated that difficulties could occur if developers revise the plans and that Stroud District Council would therefore make sure the S106 was tied in.
- Pippa Moore showed the Parish Council some samples of the type of brick and tiles that they would prefer the developers to use, and have requested that the barge boards shown on some of the designs are not used.
- Stroud District Council have instructed the developers to make a 10% carbon reduction, but do not yet know how they are planning to achieve this. It is possible that they would be able to do this by adding Solar Panels to some of the south facing properties.

Cllr Forder thanked Pippa for attending the meeting especially at such short notice.

5. Co-opt Mr C Jones onto the council (following the uncontested poll on 1st May 2008).

It was proposed that Mr C Jones be co-opted onto the Council, as vacancies existed following the uncontested poll on the 1st May 2008. This was proposed by Cllr Mukasa and seconded by Cllr Connett and carried unanimously.

Upon signing the Acceptance of Office, Mr C Jones was invited to join the Council.

6. To receive reports from the Clerk on:

- **Views Reference the Gloucester Charter** – The Clerk had circulated emails from Mr G Owen of KSPC and the results of the Gloucestershire County Council survey in which views were given from both members and non-members of the Charter. The Parish Council stated they did not wish to take any further action on the Charter.

7. Financial Issues

i) The clerk sought approval to pay for the following items to be paid.

Expenses

DATE	PAYEE	PURPOSES	AMOUNT	CHQ NO/REF
01/07/08	Coates Cleaning Services	Remove graffiti in Alley	£ 30.00	001746/ 39
01/07/08	Roger Mills	Grass cut & inspections for May + refit of notice board & tidy up and planting at War Memorial	£251.50	001747/ 40
01/07/08	Ruth Biddle	Cleaning June	£ 80.00	001748/ 41
01/07/08	Mair Forder	Chair Allowance June	£ 15.00	001749/ 42
01/07/08	GCC	Pension Contributions	£76.04	001750/ 43
01/07/08	Mrs I Litton	Clerk Fee June	£270.77	001751/ 44
01/07/08	Mrs I Litton	Litter Pick June	£ 55.00	001752/ 45
01/07/08	LS Village Hall	Rent April – June	£ 31.50	001753/ 46



These payments were proposed by Cllr Gaunt and seconded by Cllr Bevan and passed unanimously.

ii) **Agree whether to proceed in the purchasing of a Dog Bin for Gypsy Lane** – The Clerk stated the cost would be £224.00, including the post to fix it onto. It was proposed to purchase and install a Dog Bin for Gypsy Lane, (location agreed by Cllr Forder, Mrs L Godsell and Natasha Anderson Dog Warden at SDC), this was proposed by Cllr Bevan seconded by Cllr Connett and carried.

8. Planning

Planning Applications

Since the June meeting the following application has been received:

S.08/1250/FUL 30 Bath Road Kings Stanley (new detached dwelling within garden)

S.08/0408/FUL A revised planning application for Land at Bath Road has not yet been received, so no decision can yet be made - (see Item 4)

9. Correspondence

Details of the correspondence received during June had been circulated and the schedule forms an integral part of these minutes. The correspondence files were available for inspection at the meeting. The Clerk highlighted the following items:

- Gloucestershire Playing Fields Association – Competition for the best Playing Field and Playground of the Year. The clerk stated that the entrance fee was £5.00, it was resolved to enter, Cllr Forder will complete the entrance form.
- Leonard Stanley AFC – The football club were seeking permission to hold their annual 6 a side tournament. Permission was granted and rent to remain at £25.00 for the tournament.

10. To Review and Agree amendments to the Planning Policy and Contingency Plan

Cllr Forder had previously circulated the amendments by email to all the Councillors. The amendments for the Contingency Plan were due to a change of Councillors. The amendments to the Planning Policy are to ensure that all the Councillors can view and comment on the plans before a response is formulated and sent. The Clerk confirmed that she will retain the paper plans and that these can still be obtained from her by arrangement. It was proposed to accept these amendments – proposed by Cllr Gaunt, seconded by Cllr Bevan and passed unanimously.

11. To agree whether to take on ownership of the Interpretation Board

The implications of taking ownership of the Interpretation Board were discussed, with the need to include it on the Councils insurance.

The resolution to take on ownership and include on the Parish Councils insurance was proposed by Cllr Bevan and seconded by Cllr Gaunt and passed.

12. To agree whether to make representation regarding BT proposal to remove Pay Phone

The clerk stated that she had placed a notice in the newsletter requesting that residents get in touch should they wish their views known. Only one letter was received which requested that the Parish Council look into saving the box, even without a working telephone. The general view from the council was that this could cause confusion, and that the box could be a target for vandalism. It was agreed by the council not to make representation and allow BT to remove it should they wish to do so.

13. Agree action required to include missed footpath (continuation of EFR11) on definitive map

Cllr Forder stated that back in 1949 the then LSPC had failed to make the correct representation and ensure that the above footpath was included on the Definitive Map. Frocester submitted their representation so now the footpath officially stops abruptly.

However the path does exist and is being used by residents but a resolution is required to request that it is included when the definitive map is again updated.

It was proposed to request that the missed footpath "Continuation of EFR11" be included in the next updated version of the Definitive Map, this was proposed by Cllr Gaunt and seconded by Cllr Mukasa and passed.

14. Receive an update on the Village Fair

Cllr Mukasa stated that a full list of events is published on the website and in the newsletter. That there will be over 40 stalls and a full schedule of events planned. A rota has been issued

to the volunteers, but it is not too late to enlist if anyone wishes to help. It is now just fingers crossed for good weather.

15. Update of the Walnut Tree for Playing Field

Cllr Mukasa stated that she has been advised by the Garden Centre not to plant out the Tree until the autumn, so will look after it until then.

16. Councillors Submissions -

- Cllr Herbert requested that the issue storing of the Minutes be put on the next Agenda, although the Clerk stated that they will be moved to the Gloucestershire Records Office, as soon as they have been scanned.
- Cllr Connett requested that the Oak Tree at the end of Gypsy Lane/Church Road be discussed at the next meeting, the Clerk stated that she can put the issue on the Agenda once a response has been received from Central Networks.
- Cllr Mukasa requested that a summer litter pick may take place before the next meeting.
- Cllr Forder stated that Stroud Valleys Project would like to replace some stiles with kissing gates – to be placed on the next Agenda.

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 9.30 pm. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 2 September 2008 in The Village Hall at 7.30 pm.