

CURBRIDGE AND LEW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Parish Hall, Curbridge, Monday 13th January 2020, 6pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs. Glenn Gannon (Chair), Mark Wilson, John Courtney, Angela Boddington, Patrick Foley, Tony Wilson

IN ATTENDANCE: Four members of the public, Howard Higgins (Clerk & RFO)

99. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received.

100. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Declaration by Patrick in respect of planning application 19/03277/FUL. See item 106.
Declaration by Glenn in respect of play area contractor. See item 107.

101. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 9th December 2019, which had previously been circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

102. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

Glenn advised that he had spoken to the architect in respect of plans for refurbishment of the Parish Hall. The building regulations will need to be re-submitted with fees. The paid fees for the past application would be refunded.

103. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

District and County Councillors not present. Glenn advised he has reported the flooding on Main Road where the water does not reach the drain and acknowledged by Paul Wilson (OCC). Clerk has reported the fallen road sign on the A4095 approaching the village signs via Fixmystreet and closed on Fixmystreet by OCC for future works. RESOLVED: Clerk to contact OCC about these matters along with the lack of directional signs at the Main Road junction and the previously reported state of the cycle path along the A4095 from Main Road to Well Lane.

104. CURBRIDGE TRIANGLE

The decision has been released in respect of the planning appeal hearing and this upheld the original decision by WODC planning officers to refuse planning permission.

Discussion ensued about possible future development in Curbridge. RESOLVED: Further discussion considered for April Parish Council meeting.

105. VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT

The VDS is awaiting further input from WODC planning officers who are being delayed due to heavy workload.

The Parish Council expressed their appreciation for the hard work that has been put into this document.

106. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 19/03277/FUL - Proposed Horsewalker and All-Weather Warm-Up Sand Track to support Existing Racehorse Training Yard. Land East Of Lew House Stables, Lew, Bampton. RESOLVED: Application in keeping with area and background of Lew House. Patrick abstained from decision making process of the Parish Council.
- 19/03311/S73 - Non compliance with condition 2 of planning permission 06/1906/P/FP to allow re siting and design of hotel and parking area. Witney Lakes Golf Centre, Downs Road, Witney. RESOLVED: Comment made in respect of ensuring safe pedestrian access to the golf course (unclear if access will be through new lobby).

107. FINANCE

Invoice submitted by playground contractor for an interim payment. RESOLVED: Invoice rejected given that it is contrary to the original terms and conditions and thus does not comply with the Parish Council financial regulations. The balancing payment will be made on completion of works. Glenn abstained from decision making process of the Parish Council due to a relation who works for the contractor.

RESOLVED: Cheques for signing: PAYE (£192), WODC (£16.06), Water (£7.55).
Bank balance as at 31st December 2019 = £17,319.50.

VAT claim has been submitted for 2018-19 and April to November 2019 given delays with Play Area refurbishment.

108. WELL LANE PLAY AREA AND PLAYING FIELD

December inspection signed by Chairman. Refurbishment delays exacerbated by weather and Xmas break.

109. SUNDRY NOTICES

- Angela advised of broken metal railing on A4095 near opposite end of The Chippings. RESOLVED: Clerk to contact OCC to take corrective action in case of possible accident.
- Glenn advised he had contacted Martin Holland (WODC) in respect of Downs Road development as further 46 houses seem likely and therefore need to consider S106 implications.
- The Parish Council wishes to express its condolences on the passing of John Pole who played a very active role in village life.

Next Meeting - Monday 10th February.

Cllr. Glenn Gannon, Chair of the Council
Signed 10th February 2020