

**Meeting of the of Longcot Parish Council  
held in the Church Barn, Opposite the Church, Longcot  
on Thursday 24 June 2021 at 7pm**

**Present**

Andi Cunningham, Chairman, John Barneby, Alan Rich, CC Yvonne Constance, DC Elaine Ware and DC Simon Howell and Tina Brock, Clerk.

**119/21 Apologies for Absence.**

Nathan Boyd (prior commitment) and Amy Cooper (work commitment). These apologies were received.

**120/21 Variance of Order of Business. None.**

**121/21 Declaration of Interest. None.**

**122/21 Public Participation. None.**

**123/21 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting.**

Council resolved to approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting and the Meeting of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 5 May 2021 and the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 26 May 2021 which were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The Chairman signed the minutes of meetings held via Zoom since Monday 11 May 2020.

**124/21 Matters arising from the minutes. None.**

**125/21 Public Participation. None.**

**REPORTS**

**126/21 Report from County Councillor.**

CC Constance sent regular email reports which had been circulated.

Until the new admin had settled in there was no progress on the 20mph and Speed Watch projects.

**127/21 Report from District Councillor.**

DC Howell and DC Ware circulated a report prior to the meeting.

The Vale will continue to keep Town and Parish Councils informed of any changes to the Covid 19 situation and we would encourage keeping a watching brief on the Vale's website – [www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk](http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk)

**Planning** – The Vale Planning Committee at its meeting on 2 June granted permission for 10 dwellings on the former residential and employment site next to STS on Townsend Road Shrevenham. At the same meeting permission was granted to convert farm buildings at Buscot into office accommodation.

There continues to be a significant number of applications submitted to the Vale from Ward villages most of which are for extensions or listed building consent.

**Boundary Review** – details of the Boundary Commissions proposals for Oxfordshire may be found at <https://www.bcereviews.org.uk/node/6488?postcode=SN68EL>

The Vale will be included in three constituencies namely. Didcot and Wantage, Oxford West and Abingdon and Witney. The Watchfield and Shrevenham Ward will be included in the Witney constituency. Parish Councils are encouraged to review the proposals and make any representations to the Commission by 2 August 2021.

**Climate Emergency Advisory Committee** – It has been agreed that as well as Task and Finish Groups there will also be informal meetings of which the public are invited. The first of these informal meetings was held on Monday 14 June. The two main items for discussion were the development of the Vale's tree policy and public sector decarbonisation scheme projects. As mentioned in last month's report there is a new webpage which give details of action on climate and nature.

**Electric Vehicle Charging Points** – The County Council's roll-out of the Oxfordshire-wide Park and Charge Scheme has been slightly delayed and is now expected to be launched in the Vale in late autumn. The delay is partly due to ensuring that the pilot scheme currently being trialled in Bicester will provide the best experience for users.

**Civil Parking Enforcement** – Awaiting progress report from the County Council. It is still anticipated that the scheme will be operational by then end of this year.

**White Horse Community Lottery** – The lottery was launched on Monday 14 June. To find out more please go to the Vale's website or Email [communityenablement@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:communityenablement@southandvale.gov.uk)

**The Beacon Wantage** is due to re-open on 6 September. The community centre has been operating as one of four Oxfordshire sites offering symptom free testing and a test collection point. Details of forthcoming events will be advertised in the next few weeks.

**EU Settlement Scheme** – The deadline for the EU Settlement Scheme is Wednesday 30 June 2021. It is important that those wishing to retain their existing status be advised to go to the Government website: [www.gov.uk/eusettlementscheme](http://www.gov.uk/eusettlementscheme) for advice and guidance.

**Swindon Borough Council – New Eastern Villages** – The works around Gablecross and Sainsbury’s are progressing well. These works are primarily dealing with drainage, installation of traffic lights and street lighting. There will be significant delays around other road works in and around the White Hart roundabout as there are issues with the ground underneath the existing road. Extensive works need to be carried out and as a result the road works will be delayed until at least the autumn. The work on the Southern Connector Road is also on schedule. We are awaiting a report following the meeting of Swindon and OCC Officers which is due to take place during the month of June.

The Vale’s 5-year land supply had been maintained.

Covid rates had gone up by 9 as of 22 June 2021.

The Environment Agency Thames Valley Flood Scheme consultation is open and runs until 20 August 2021. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/thames-valley-flood-scheme-consultation-begins>

**128/21 Update from Chairman. None.**

## FINANCE

### 129/21 Payments of Accounts.

It was resolved to authorise the payments below:

*Table 1 List of receipts and payments.*

Spending Power	Receipts received:	Description	Total
Small holdings and allotments act 1908	Allotment tenants	Rent	£400.00
Spending Power	Payments due:	Description	Total
EP114 LGA 1972 s112 Contract/Pensions Act 2014 EP88	Inland Revenue	TAX	201.84
EP115 LGA 1972 s112 Contract/Pensions Act 2014	T Brock	June salary	201.05
EP116 LGA 1972 s142	Bizzyhost	Web hoisting and domain name registration	45.00
EP117 LGA 1972 s112Contract/Pensions Act 2014	Inland Revenue	TAX Apr-June	150.60
DD LGA 1972 s111	Information Commissioners Office	Annual data protection fee	£35.00

Bank balances as of 24 June 2021:

Current account £11,486.23 cr.

Deposit account £4,910.98 cr.

## PLANNING

### 130/21 Submitted Planning Applications.

Council resolved to submit the following observations.

*Table 2 List of submitted planning application responses.*

Ref	Planning application number	Address and proposal
i	P21/V1234/HH	2 Church View, Longcot, Oxon SN7 7TA
ii	P21/V1235/LB	Erection of first floor rear extension and outbuilding (replacing shed). <b>Object.</b>

Ref	Planning application number	Address and proposal
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. There is no drainage plan, and you will note from the pictures on the design statement that there is considerable damp and wet shown on the pictures which will need very careful consideration.</li> <li>2. This is a grade 2 listed building and we do not agree with the extension that is proposed to increase the footprint. LPC are very proud of their heritage and would like the conservation officer to be involved in the renovation of this property.</li> <li>3. The requirement to increase the footprint is not necessary as LPC find that the one-bedroom properties in the village are always in high demand for purchase and rental purposes. We need small properties in a village like ours to cater for all needs.</li> <li>4. There is a picture supplied of an outbuilding but not the actual outbuilding that is being proposed. We have grave concerns regarding the outbuilding on matters such as size and any concrete base being put in and this must all be within the drainage plan.</li> <li>5. There will need to be a traffic and building management plan activated as the access will need to be established and parking in the village for building supplies etc will need a workable solution.</li> <li>6. The neighbours have submitted their concerns which need to be taken into consideration.</li> </ol>
iii	P21/V1329/HH	<p>1 Kings Farm Cottages, Longcot, Oxon SN7 7TE  <i>Proposed first floor rear extension, single-storey side extension to provide store/workshop, new pitched roof and cladding to existing flat roof porch and new first floor window to ensuite.</i>  <b>Supports.</b></p>

**131/21 Permitted Planning Application(s). Noted.**

*Table 3 List of permitted planning applications.*

Ref	Planning application number	Address and proposal
i ii	P21/V0491/HH P21/V0492/LB	<p>Cleveland Farmhouse, Shrivenham Road, Longcot, Oxon SN7 7TW  <i>Remove existing corrugated tin roof from outbuildings.  Construct new pitched roof. Bridgwater clay tile covering to be used (additional section information submitted 17/5/2021).</i></p>

**FLOODING**

**132/21 Update. None.**

**PLAY AREA**

**133/21 Maintenance requests.**

MRH Services had repaired the roundabout.

**HIGHWAYS**

**134/21 Update on any issues. None.**

**ALLOTMENTS**

**135/21 Update on any issues. None.**

**NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP**

136/21 Update. None.

**CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**Exclusion of Press and Public**

To move the following resolution, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted it is in the public interest that the public and press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting and they are requested to withdraw.

137/21 Any Matters. None.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**138/21 Next meeting of the Parish Council.**

To be advised.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.

Signed.....Date.....2021