

**Meeting of the of Longcot Parish Council
held in the St Mary's Church Hall, Church Close, Longcot
on Monday 14 March 2022 at 7pm**

Present

Andi Cunningham, Chairman, Amy Cooper, John Barneby, Alan Rich, DC Elaine Ware and Tina Brock, Clerk.

21/22 Apologies for Absence.

Nathan Boyd (prior commitment), CC Yvonne Constance (prior commitment) and DC Simon Howell (prior commitment). Council resolved to approve these apologies.

22/22 Variance of Order of Business. None.

23/22 Declaration of Interest. None,

24/22 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 26 January 2022.

Council resolved to approve the minutes were signed by the Chairman.

25/22 Matters arising from the minutes. None.

26/22 Public Participation. None.

REPORTS

27/22 Report from County Councillor.

Council administration. The interim CEO at county was appointed: Stephen Chandler was appointed last month until a permanent CEO is recruited. He was OCC's Director of Adult Social Care and chair of the national Assoc of Care Providers and knows OCC well. We still do not know what impact or costs will affect OCC from the termination of the outgoing CEO. Transport issues. LTCP consultation is now closing. Early headlines emerging include residents' concerns that rural transport and connectivity is not strong enough theme in the thinking. Dealing with inequalities and the disabled are also concerns coming through, but I think aspects of rural transport impact us most keenly.

EEH Corridor Study on A34 and A420 will hold its first meeting on 16 March 2022. I will attend and report back to you at your next meeting. 20mph speed limit makes its slow progress, now with a trial in Wallingford

Locally. County Highways works teams have been upgrading the B4507 as I promised they would 2 years ago! This is the programme of re-surfacing decided and funded in my time in post and I am pleased to see such thorough work carried out, with proper reconstruction of many of the edges (haunches) and repairing whole stretches of road in a way that is intended to last. The programme extends for the whole of B4507, and works have been/are being carried out from Wantage to Idstone, where I hope residents will be able to move with the number of works notified to me in past week.

28/22 Report from District Councillor.

Planning update. Bluestone Townsend Road, Shrivenham 26 dwellings. This application has been delayed due to additional information requested from the developer which to date has not been forthcoming. It is anticipated that a decision will be made by the end of the month. Gladman. A revised submission for 90 dwellings has been submitted along with landscape and other reports. As a result, the decision date will be extended. It is interesting to note that the CCG has recently responded a second time to this application. Broadleaze, Longcot Road appeal lost.

I have been appointed on to the Faringdon Area Traffic Advisory Committee.

At the full Council meeting on 16 February 2022 the budget was approved.

The average Council Tax for a Band D property will increase by 4.71%.

Electric Vehicle charging points are being installed at Southampton Street carpark, Faringdon.

Car park charges from 4 April 2022 will be reduced from 2 to 1 hour except for Southampton Street carpark, Faringdon.

29/22 Update from Chairman.

A recent accident on the A420 involving an HGV was happened dangerously close to the Longcot bus stop on the A420.

FINANCE

30/22 Service inspections of play parks.

Council noted and resolved to approve the increase in MRH Services service inspections of play equipment at the Dash from £39.50 ton£45.00.

31/22 Expenditure.

Council resolved to approve the estimate from MRH Services to replace the flat swing seat and chains of £285.25.

32/22 Payments of Accounts.

Council resolved to authorise the payments below:

Table 1 List of receipts and payments.

Spending Power	Payments due:	Description	Total
EP139 LGA 1972 s134	Longcot Church Wardens'	Hire of room Dec 2021 and Jan 2022	£30.00
EP140 LGA1972 s111	Curry's	Laptop and software	£593.98
EP141 LGA (misc prov) 1976 S19	MRH Service	Service inspection of play park	£39.50
EP142 LGA 1972 S112	T Brock	Feb salary	£210.60
EP143 LGA 1972 S143	CPRE	Annual membership	£36.00
EP144 LGA 1972 S143	OALC	Annual membership	£150.00
EP145 LGA 1972 s134	Longcot Church Wardens'	Hire of room 14/3/2022	£15.00

COUNCIL

33/22 Operation London Bridge – Death of a Senior National Figure.

The Chairman contacted the Vicar of St Mary's Church to discuss protocols which were all in place.

34/22 Longcot Village Trust.

Council resolved to approve the request from LVT to hold a 'Big Lunch' to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee on the Village Green. LVT would be responsible for holding the appropriate insurance.

PLANNING

35/22 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/V1235/LB P21/V1235/HH Amended details	2 Church View, Longcot, Oxon SN7 7TA <i>Erection of first floor rear extension and outbuilding (replacing shed). (As amended and amplified by plans rec'd 23/2/2022.)</i> Objects. Most importantly there is no drainage plan submitted with these new plans. Please find attached the old village maps to highlight the removal of an old pond behind that would have been part of this area's drainage capability and it is lower than the road which will make it a holding zone. Council requests that Leigh Travis, Drainage Engineer, VWHDC takes a look at this as we are most concerned, especially as there is a larger footprint and a large garden room that is going into the space, which we hope will NOT be allowed to be on a concrete base. Most importantly is that the houses either side are PROTECTED from any flooding caused by the allowing of this planning. Please find attached all the Parish maps that show this area and the drainage. Council has read and totally understand the concerns of the Conservation officer, which Council fully supports. This involves most importantly the need for a structural engineer which we note has often been requested with our wonderful village grade 2 listed buildings. The detailed summary of the

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		<p>fabric existing and future is most important to be agreed at this stage and the interventions required. Council agrees, supports and second every point required.</p> <p>Council is concerned that the plans do not show heights and measurements well enough. New builds at the end of the village (Kings Close) had to be stopped after 3 houses were built as they were too high in the landscape and the others were then built much lower. Council requests more detailed plans of the heights and footprint in relation to the buildings surrounding the application so the others are not swamped by the large extension, and the look of the extension is not out of keeping with the other listed buildings that are the neighbourhood.</p> <p>No pictures or details of the proposed outbuilding have been supplied; the picture supplied states that it is similar, not actual. This will need to be included within the drainage plan. Please take the very real concerns of the neighbours into account. It is crucial that neighbours have a quality of life that involves privacy especially when they are in their own homes and so if the extension allows windows to look straight into the bedrooms and bathrooms of children or adults of existing properties this is of grave concern.</p> <p>The outline of the application does encompass the footpath that leads to other properties – attached is a picture of the sign that is a VWHDC sign that sits within this planning application.</p> <p>Council requests that a Construction Management Plan be established as to how the contractors will access this property with their vehicles. The thatcher has been working there lately which is fine with one large vehicle parked, however, in reality there is only room for one vehicle on the roadside. Please beware that all the users of our school need to be safe and there is no parking allowed on our Green.</p>

36/22 Refused planning application. Noted.

Table 3 List of refused planning applications.

Ref	Planning application number	Address and proposal
i	P21/V3267/HH	Acorn Cottage, The Green, Longcot, Oxford SN7 7SY <i>Two storey side extension (as amended by drawings rec'd 13/01/2022).</i>
ii	P21/V2730/FUL	6 Hughes Crescent, Longcot, Oxford SN7 7SU <i>Extension and conversion of garage to create 1 x 2-bedroom dwelling with associated car parking and amenity space. (Amended plans rec'd 10/12/2021. Obscuring proposed windows and changes to car parking. As amended by drawings rec'd 13/1/2022.)</i>

PLAY AREA

37/22 Maintenance requests.

The bottom step of the slide is broken. The Clerk would source a quote.

HIGHWAYS

38/22 Update on any issues.

A request to reduce the speed from the King & Queen pub to Mallins Lane from 40mph to 30mph had been received. The Clerk would contact OCC for advice.

ALLOTMENTS

39/22 Update on any issues. 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.

40/22 Any Matters. None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

41/22 Next meeting of the Parish Council.

To be advised.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Signed.....Date.....2022