LOCKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 2nd November 2020 (Virtual)

Extraordinary Meeting – Lockington Village Community Green

20/045 Apologies: – None

Lockington Parish Councillors present were: Kevin Marshall, (Chair), John Rowson, Amanda Clarke, Caroline Holgate, Adrian Crookes, Graham Chapman, Andrew How, Mary Munro-Hill and Andrew Proctor.

Visitors:

There were no Parishioners on line.

The Clerk to the Parish Council, Mr Gareth Rees was also present.

20/046 Declarations of Interest:

Declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests - Members to declare any interests in items on the agenda and the nature of such interests.

Parish Councillor John Rowson declared a declaration of interest in agenda item number 4, the new development South of 42 Thorpe, Lark House. Parish Councillor John Rowson’s interest in this agenda item is that he resides in the adjacent property to the new development.

20/047 Lockington Village Community Green (LVCG):

Detailed discussion took place around the feedback from village residents, and how the Parish Council would proceed to ensure the views of the village were uppermost in the design and planning of the green.

After much discussion it was agreed that elements of the ‘top five’ consultation responses should be included as Stage 1 of a plan, namely, Grass Field, Wildflowers, Shrubs & Trees and Seats/Benches/Tables. Other elements could form Stage2 of a plan subject to further consultation and consideration, namely, Children’s Play Area, Area for Celebrations/Fetes and Covered Seating/Pavilion. Allowing Dogs on the green was discussed at length but considered inappropriate. It was agreed that further comments from residents should be sought on these elements before finalising a plan for the Green.

Parish Councillor Caroline Holgate proposed that the Parish Council adopted the above approach This was seconded by Parish Councillor Mary Munro-Hill.

A vote was taken and the resolution was carried unanimously.

Access to the green was discussed in detail and how this would be made as safe as practically possible. The planning application for the Green would include access from

Thorpe as per the Consultation documentation but the Parish Council would be guided by the Planning and Highways departments on health & safety issues, and review if necessary.

The discussion also covered capital cost of development, possible funding & grants, ongoing maintenance contract costs and any increase in insurance premium.

A process for further consultation with residents was discussed. It was also felt that further detailed discussion by the Parish Council was required.

The Chairman, Parish Councillor Kevin Marshall was actioned to draft and circulate an article for the next Gazette, giving the Parishioners more detail of the data analysis from the public consultation and setting out the proposals for Green as agreed above.

Action Date; 12th November 2020 (AN/206/11/20).

Parish Councillor Amanda Clarke volunteered to carry out some research to see what funding and/or grants are available for such projects as the LVCG.

Action Date: February 2021 (AN/207/11/20).

The Clerk was actioned to add LVCG development to the agenda of the next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council.

Action Date: 10th November 2021 (AN/207/11/20). Action complete.

20/048 Application 14/04079/PLF - Development South of 42 Thorpe, Lockington (Lark House).

This development as discussed in detail, the main points being how ERYC had made several mistakes in the planning process and how this had not been picked up until it was too late. It was recognised that it was far too late to retrofit the building, however, the Parish Council wanted to ensure that this sort of error does not happen again. It was to this end that a detailed note would be drafted and sent to Mr. Stephen Hunt, Head of Planning & Development Management

The Chairman, Parish Councillor Kevin Marshall was actioned to draft a note to Mr Stephen Hunt.

Action Date: 5th November 2020 (AN/209/11/20). Action Complete.

The meeting closed at 2030 hrs.

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