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MINUTES

17th January 2024 at 7.45pm

An Ordinary Meeting of the members of Lambourne Parish Council was held
On Wednesday 17th January 2024 in the Abridge Village Hall.

In attendance: Cllr D Hardy, Cllr M Drewe, Cllr B Knowles, Cllr C Karbaron, Cllr D Moggridge and Cllr H Moore and Cllr L Shreeve.

There was one member of the public. PC Andy Cooke was present. The Clerk was present.

Meeting started at 7.45pm

23.194 Apologies for Absence

None.

23.195 Declaration of Interest

None.

23.196 Public Consultation

PC Andy Cooke gave a report with crime figures from October 2023 until January 2024. There had been 52 incidents of which 8 were crimes and 4 of them non domestic. This shows low crime figures within the Parish.

23.197 Minutes of 13th December 2023 meetings.

The minutes of 13th December 2023 were AGREED as a true record.

23.198 Clerk Report

The Clerk read out the Clerk report which was NOTED.

Cllr B Knowles gave the HMRC details back to the Clerk and asked him to action this before February 29th as after this date, the Council are liable to a fine.

23.199 Planning

**EPF/2668/23 - Melden, 65 London Road,
Lambourne, Romford, RM4 1XH**

Proposal: Remove existing lean-to extension and erect a single storey rear extension with lean-to roof and two rooflight windows.

The Council has **No Objection** to this planning application.



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<p>EPF/2673/23 - 40, London Road, Lambourne, Romford, RM4 1UX</p> <p>Proposal: Rear Extension.</p>	<p>The Council has No Objection to this planning application.</p>
<p>EPF/0027/24 - 221, Arnolds Farm, Ongar Road, Lambourne, Romford, RM4 1RH</p> <p>Proposal: Proposed sliding entrance gate and palisade fence to existing approved application EPF/3027/19 and EPF/2577/20</p>	<p>The Council has No Objection to this planning application.</p>

23.200 London Road Safety Speed Check Update

There was a discussion about the data recorded on the three Speed Checks in December. The Clerk will send this through to county Councillor J McIvor.

Speed Watch was mentioned and with more sessions being arranged, this needs more volunteers.

23.201 Report from District and County Councillors

No County Report. The Clerk read out the District report and it was NOTED.

23.202 Highways Report

There was a discussion about the flooding under the M11 motorway bridge on the Abridge Road.

The pot hole outside St John's Farm on Hoe Lane is getting worse. Has been reported.

The Clerk mentioned that TBPC look for grants to carry out work and will look into this.

23.203 New Parish Councillors

The resident from Lambourne End who was present, said his wife was interested in being considered and will be present at the next Council meeting.

23.204 Finger Post at top of Hoe Lane

There was a discussion about the best way of replacing the post and the Clerk will obtain 3 quotes to be considered at the February meeting.

23.205 23/24 Precept

There was a discussion about this with an increase considered for HR costs. It was decided that there were reserves that could cover this. A Precept figure for 24/25 was AGREED unanimously of £45,160.00.

23.206 24/25 Precept

The Clerk will send a Precept Demand Letter for the sum of £46,160.00 to EFDC for 24/25.



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23.207 Christmas Lights

Some checks will be carried out on the lights and as the contract has run out with the current supplier this will be looked into.

There was a suggestion about growing a Christmas Tree on land opposite the New Boar.

23.208 Clock at Abridge Church site

There will be a meeting with regards to how the Council can remove this to be placed at the Abridge Village Hall. LPC own the clock.

23.209 Report of Responsible Officer

The Bank Reconciliation was NOTED.
The cheque Report was NOTED and AGREED.

<i>Chq No</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Amount</i>
101178	Pinnacle Housing (Grass Cutting)	240.00
101179	TBS Hygiene (Dog Bins)	193.98
101180	Worknest Ltd	1,562.40
101181	N Power Commercial Gas (Electricity).	72.51
101182	A Carter Stamps (£25.00), Ink (£53.92) and Email Storage (£11.13).	90.05
	1st February 2024. Payment of £810.87 to A.Carter	810.87
	Total Expenditure 17th January and 1st February 2024	2,969.81

23.210 Information Exchange or items for next meeting

Cllr M Drewe said the mast at the Abridge Garage was being raised.

Cllr C Karbaron mentioned that local residents had complained about how hard it is to get a Doctors appointment.

Cllr D Moggridge mentioned her thanks to P Martin for his Footpath report. The Clerk will send a thank you letter.

“At this point, the meeting move into private session for the remainder of the items to be discussed. (Public Bodies [Admissions to Meetings] Act 1960)”.

23.211 Grievance Appeal

There was a discussion about appointing Worknest HR to Chair and run the Appeal as it was thought that Councillors were unable to do this.

The Clerk asked for it to be noted that he felt that Councillors could carry out the Appeal.

It was AGREED that Worknest would be appointed to Chair and run the Grievance Appeal.

The Clerk will contact Worknest and appoint them.



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23.212 Date of next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th February 2024 in the Abridge Village Hall.

23.213 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 22.05pm.

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