



# LAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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### MINUTES

14<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 7.45pm

An Ordinary Meeting of the members of Lambourne Parish Council was held  
On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023 in the Abridge Village Hall.

In attendance: Cllr D Hardy, Cllr L Shreeve, Cllr B Knowles, Cllr P Nash, Cllr D Moggridge & Cllr H Moore, Cllr C Karbaron, Cllr M Drewe

There were 13 members of the public and local PC Andy Cook (AC)

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Meeting started at 7.45pm

The chair requested Cllr Nash take the minutes.

#### **23.028 Apologies for Absence**

Tony Carter Clerk (illness)

#### **23.029 Declaration of Interest**

None

#### **23.030 Public Consultation**

AC Apologised for this being his first meeting this year due to various other commitments. He provided an update on crime figures within the area related mainly to motor vehicles and one aggravated burglary on London road along with a few other attempted burglaries. There were also a number of other reported crimes but overall crime was in line with other local areas and Lambourne did not appear to be an outlier. The level of crime also appeared to be in line with the previous 6 monthly average so no improvement or deterioration. AC said he would consider attending the next 'Come and Chat' group so members of the public can meet and raise concerns with him

Cllr Karbaron joined meeting at 19.46

Cllr M Drewe joined at 19.47

A member of public raised a concern related to bushes at 17 Poplars that is overgrown and the owner not cutting it back. Council will drop a note to the owners to request these are trimmed back. A further member made a similar complaint regarding London road. The council advised that Highways had only just restarted cutting back bushes and this was expected to improve significantly over the next few weeks and will keep an eye on how this proceeds.

A Member of the public representing the public attendees discussed the application related to Bliss Heights, 140 London road. They all objected to the recent license application believing it represented a public nuisance. Additionally it was highlighted that work was already underway without planning permission being approved and that green belt land was being destroyed by the current resident. There was a belief that toxic waste that had been requested to be removed by the council was instead just being spread across the meadow. Public were advised to write individually to EFDC under the four objections and raise any concerns over alleged spreading of waste to the enforcement



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department. It was suggested the council raise these concerns with the new District councillor Craig McCann and to invite him to the Parish meetings.

Lambourne Parish will write a letter of objection to the license application for Bliss Heights to EFDC

All public members left

## 23.031 Minutes of 11<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 meetings.

The minutes of 11<sup>th</sup> May and 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were AGREED as a true record.

## 23.032 Clerk Report

None

## 23.033 Clerks Hours and PAYE

Deferred to Private Session

## 23.034 Planning

<p><b><u>EPF/1004/23 25 Alderwood Drive, Lambourne, Romford, Abridge, RM4 1DJ</u></b></p> <p><b>Proposal:</b> Loft conversion, hip to gable roof, relocation of garage. Lantern roof to existing rear flat roof and Bi fold doors.</p>	<p>The COUNCIL has NO OBJECTION to this application.</p>
<p><b><u>EPF/1087/23 221, Arnolds Farm, Ongar Road, Lambourne, Romford, RM41RH</u></b></p> <p><b>Proposal:</b> 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 application as long as Highways are amenable to the distance the gates are set back from the main road and will not cause any disturbance to traffic on Ongar Road</p>
<p><b><u>EPF/1086/23 - 221, Arnolds Farm, Ongar Road, Lambourne, Romford, RM4 1RH</u></b></p> <p><b>Proposal:</b> Externally illuminated Road side signage board.</p>	<p>The COUNCIL has NO OBJECTION to this application if the lighting is a simple spot light as per the application</p>
<p><b><u>EPF/1094/23 - 67, Fancy Free, Hoe Lane, Lambourne, Romford, RM4 1AU</u></b></p> <p><b>Proposal:</b> Proposed addition of second floor, new roof structure with dormers and construction of new workshop on the rear.</p>	<p>The COUNCIL has NO OBJECTION to this application</p>



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### **23.035 Defibrillators**

The metal heat plate in the Defibrillator at the school has been replaced

### **23.036 Lamp Posts**

2 posts in Pancrofts and Middle Boy have not been removed when the new ones were installed. It is not clear what work was actually agreed with UKPN and whether they should have removed them and if they have isolated the electricity. Clerk to advise on his return and if they should have been entirely removed then to call UKPN back to finish the job.

### **23.037 Report from District and County Councillors**

None present. Council to reach out to the new District Councillor Craig McCann and invite him to LPC meetings

### **23.038 Outstanding bill for Cllr D Hardy from Coronation Weekend**

There is a small outstanding balance of 33 pounds to be paid to the Chairman. To be carried forward to next meeting

### **23.039 Correspondence**

An email from public member Peter Martin (PM) was sent to a few councillors re footpaths. Councillors were unable to open the email. Cllr Moggridge will reach out to PM and revert back

Cllr Moggridge raised a concern from a member of the public related to a neighbour's tree that is overgrown and causing blockage. Cllr Moggridge to reach out to the member and advise them to raise this to Highways to be cut back

### **23.040 Highways Report**

Cllr Shreeve raised a concern from a resident at Lambourne End whereby a walker could not get by on the public road due to overgrown bushes and so had to enter her property to be able to proceed. This occurred at New Road Lambourne End. Cllr Shreeve called EFDC and was referred to Highways and this has been escalated to them to cut back urgently.

Cllr Moore also highlighted issues raised by the public regarding the footpath from Abridge Chapel to the Chestnuts which was also overgrown

Cllr Nash will also talk to 8 London road to request they trim back the bushes next to the Malsters Arms Public House. Council to reassess at next meeting

### **23.041 Report of Responsible Officer**

No report was provided but cheques were issued and signed

A discussion with Pinnacle is required to cease cutting the church gardens. The clerk on his return will write to Pinnacle and request a new quote and contract for just the Village Hall and the Parish land and remove the Church.

A&J lighting have provided a new contract to continue from August 1<sup>st</sup>. To be added to next month's agenda and voted on if the council wish to continue this maintenance contract.



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Chq No	Details	Amount
101123	Abridge Village Hall	131.60
101124	N Power Commercial	42.72
101125	A&J Lighting Solution	49.20
101126	TBS Hygiene Ltd	153.72
101127	Pinnacle Housing Ltd	800.01

### 23.042 Internal Audit

Nothing was provided so this was deferred until the next month

### 23.043 Information Exchange or items for next meeting

Cllr Shreeve has been in touch with Admin clerk Teresa Parker at EFDC regarding a temp clerk to cover sickness or holiday cover. Cllr Shreeve also raised the issue regarding Lawful Development Certificates (LDC) as opposed to planning applications which were becoming more frequent. Previously residents could discuss with the Planning officer whereas nowadays there is less time as the LDC is designed to speed the process up.

Cllr Shreeve suggested Nigel Richardson to attend and give an update to the planning process and Cllr Hardy said he will try and contact him to see if he was willing to provide an update.

Cllr Drewe highlighted that rubbish bins were constantly full at Lambourne End and not sure if they are being emptied enough or are just particularly busy bins. Cllr Drewe has contacted them to ensure they are emptying them regularly and will monitor

### 23.044 Private Session

A private meeting was held

### 23.045 Date of next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023 in the Abridge Village Hall

### 23.046 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 21.10pm.

Signed.....

Date.....