

**Minutes of the Longcot Parish Council
held in the
Village Community Room, Kings Lane, Longcot
on Thursday 9 June 2016 at 7pm**

Present: Andi Cunningham, Chairman, Nathan Boyd, John Barneby, John Bridge and Tina Brock, Clerk.

101/16 Apologies for Absence. Alan Rich (prior commitment) and County Councillor Yvonne Constance (prior commitment). These apologies were received.

102/16 Variation on Order of Business None.

103/16 Declaration of Interest. None.

104/16 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 14 April 2016 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

105/16 Payments of Accounts. It was RESOLVED to authorise the payments below:

	Net Cost	VAT	Total £
Payments now due:			
T Brock (Clerk's May salary)			144.00

As at 9 June 2016 the Council's bank accounts held credit balances of:

Current account £3,767.30

Deposit account £12,896.33

106/16 Public Participation. None in attendance.

REPORTS

107/16 Report from County Councillor. None in attendance.

108/16 Report from District Councillor. None in attendance.

109/16 Report from Chairman. None.

COUNCIL

110/16 Council Website. Deferred until next meeting.

111/16 VWHDC Summer Town/Parish Forum 2016. John Barneby agreed to attend the forum on Thursday 7 July at 7pm at the Oxford Abingdon Hotel, Marcham Road, Abingdon.

FINANCE

112/16 Audit. Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2016.

- i. Council RESOLVED to approve Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2015/16 and the Chairman and Clerk signed section 1 of the Annual Return.
- ii. Council RESOLVED to approve Section 2 Accounting Statements 2015/16 and the Chairman and Clerk signed section 2 of the Annual Return.

113/16 Update on other current matters. None.

PLANNING

114/16 Submitted Planning Applications. The Council RESOLVED to submit the following observations:

i	P16/V1189/HH	5 Church Close, Longcot, Oxon SN7 7TN <i>Demotion of side extension and new rear extension of no 5. Erection of new 3 bedroom end terrace dwelling and associated parking.</i> NO OBJECTIONS to this application but wish the following comments be taken into account: No drainage plans were submitted with the planning application and Council would request that if permission is to be granted a condition is set that a drainage plan must be submitted that fits in with Longcots flood plan.
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115/16 Permitted Planning Application(s) were noted:

i	P16/V0115/HH	1 Clover cottage, 1 Church View, Longcot, Oxon SN7 7TA <i>Demolish the existing garage and replace with a new timber garage</i>
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		<i>constructed in a traditional form with cladded sides and a pitched galvanised corrugated steel roof to a ridge height of 3.8 metres. (Amended by drawing numbers 014-050, 014-110 and 014-001 received 9 March 2016; red line position altered, full plans of garage provided.)</i>
ii	P15/V0271/O	Land at Kings Lane, Longcot, Oxon SN7 7SZ <i>Outline application for 15 houses.</i>

116/16 VWHDC Constitution – Planning Consultation. A briefing of the proposed changes to the scheme of delegation would be tabled at the Summer Town/Parish Forum which John Barneby would be attending. Council in principle found the proposed changes acceptable.

117/16 Update on Other Current Matters. None.

HIGHWAYS

118/16 Roads and Pavements. The Chairman reported that Oxfordshire County Council had not updated their records to show that there was no longer a level crossing at Claypit Lane. A bridge had been installed approximately 40 years ago and the land was brought by OCC but never registered.

119/16 Litter Picking. Fly tipping along the B4508 from Longcot to Hatford had been reported to the Environmental Protection Team, VWHDC and had been removed. The rubbish would be checked for evidence as to where it came from.

The Chairman reported a complaint had been received that a professional dog walker parks a truck outside a resident's driveway and allows 8 to 10 dogs to run free and foul The Dash. This had been reported to the Environmental Protection Team. *(Clerk's Note: The Environment Warden had obtained evidence from a witness and made contact with the dog walker who agreed to park away from the driveway and keep the dogs on leads whilst walking through the play park. The dog walker was fined a £50 fixed penalty for allowing one of the dogs to foul the play park and not have it picked up which had been paid.)*

120/16 Speed Surveys. No requests made. The Chairman reported that NAG1 were looking to purchase a Speed Indicator Device.

121/16 Update on current matters. None.

PLAY AREA

122/16 Play Inspection Update. MRH Services inspection of the play park found that the flat seat and cradle swing seats need replacing. These were on order. The rest of the play equipment was in a satisfactory condition. RoSPA would be inspecting the play park in July 2016.

123/16 Update on current matters. None.

ALLOTMENTS

124/16 Update on current matters. The allotments were looking very good. The Chairman would ask Bernie Cooper if he would clear the ditch by the allotments.

NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP

125/16 Oral Report. The Chairman reported: NAG 1 area has had 5 deaths on the road in May, which is shocking. 4 people died on the A420, and a cyclist died on Blowing stone hill. We had a cyclist being seriously injured on the A417, plus many more accidents in May. We have requested some help on the road safety in the area as there are many more houses to be built along the A420 and so this road will get even busier.

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.

126/16 Personal Matters. None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

127/16 The **Annual Parish Meeting** and the **Annual Meeting of the Parish Council** would take place on **Thursday 28 July 2016** at **7.00pm** in **St Mary's Church, Longcot.**

Further meetings are due to be held in **2016** at **7pm** in **St Mary's Church, Longcot** on **Thursdays: 8 September, 20 October, 8 December** and in **2017: 12 January, 23 February and 30 March.**

The **Annual Parish Meeting** and the **Annual Meeting of the Parish Council** would take place on **Thursday 11 May 2017** at **7pm** in **St Mary's Church, Longcot.**

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

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