

LOXWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

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An ordinary meeting of Loxwood Parish Council was held at 7:30pm on Monday 1st September 2008 in St John the Baptist Church Room, Loxwood.

Present: Parish Councillors: Alison Sanderson (Chairman), Elizabeth Dugdale, Sacha Pawley, Scott Taylor, David Townsend and Charlie Whitmarsh (Vice- Chairman).
Clerk: Jenny Hartley

83/08 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Howard Thomas, Priscilla Phillips and Mirus Kuszel.

ADJOURNMENT:

- QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Members of the Loxwood Society raised the point of the bridge by the canal; in particular the look not being 'in-fitting' with the local area.

Cllr David Townsend stated he recalled the look of the bridge being specifically raised with the Canal Trust, and they stated at the time, it would not look like the picture, and that it would be in-fitting with the village.

Members of the Loxwood Society asked if the Parish Council are able to go back with this information to the Canal Trust as they feel they should have been consulted.

The Chairman advised members that records will be looked into and advised accordingly.

84/08 DECLARATION OF BUSINESS INTEREST

There were no declarations of business interest.

85/08 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr David Townsend and seconded by Cllr Sacha Pawley and agreed that the minutes were a true and correct record of the ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7th July 2008.

Cllr Alison Sanderson (Chairman) signed the minutes.

86/08 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- (1) Dunsfold Park – Cllr Elizabeth Dugdale confirmed the meeting date as 3rd September 08. Clerk to contact Alfold Clerk for meeting updates. Cllr Charlie Whitmarsh asked Loxwood Society members if they would be attending the

meeting. It was confirmed they are, and are also attending the meeting being held on 17th Sept 08 at 7:90pm. Cllrs Charlie Whitmarsh and Scott Taylor advised they may be able to attend the meeting also.

Cllr Charlie Whitmarsh informed the members he is still working on the Flooding issue.

87/08 PLANNING MATTERS

(i) Planning Applications

Cllr Scott Taylor talked through the planning applications received. Some of the deadline dates to respond had passed.

(P) Loxwood

LX08/03471/DOM Canal Villa, High Street, Loxwood. RH14 0RD

Loft conversion with rear dormer and single storey extension to detached garage with pitched roof over to replace existing flat roof.

Councillors agreed that the single story extension in main was fine. They object to the Velux windows in the loft.

88/08 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Cllr David Townsend gave a Financial Report to all members for July and August 2008. Councillors were informed some payments are outstanding due to the cheque book still being with the auditor.

The £100 PAYE Penalty has been waived.

The Financial Report was proposed by Elizabeth Dugdale and seconded by Sacha Pawley and agreed to approve the total payments of £2960.26.

89/08 GARDEN CLUB/LAND AT WILLETS WAY

The Chairman informed members she had been in touch with the solicitors, who have confirmed the paperwork went to Hillreed. It is felt that Hillreed are sitting on the documents. Hillreed need to clear the site as it is in a state of disrepair at present. The land needs to be owned by the Parish before this matter can be taken any further.

The Chairman informed members of the new Garden Club's opening talk, by one of the RHS senior staff on 10th Sept 2008 at 7:30pm – please attend and give them a boost.

90/08 NOTICE BOARD

The Chairman informed members of the grant being available for the Parish Notice Board. Need to find a suitable location. It was felt the site at Willetts Way is too dangerous, it can't be located by the Post Office or Martletts. It was suggested a potential site may be along the Canal, when the works are finished.

91/08 CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence to pass onto members.

92/08 MEMBERS QUESTIONS AND INFORMATION & MEETINGS

The Chairman informed members of the forthcoming North Hall AGM meeting being held on 9th September 2008 at 7:30pm. Requests were made for any available Councillors to attend please.

Cllr Elizabeth Dugdale informed members of the £25,000 donation received for refurbishments on the hall.

Clerk to liaise with Elizabeth regarding any needs for North Hall.

Cllr Charlie Whitmarsh informed members of the barrier replacement over the stream – this had finally taken place after another accident had happened recently.

The Chairman asked members for thoughts on the new Bridle Path by the canal. Members of the Loxwood Society thought it was around 2004 when the information for this first came to meeting, although it was stated that it wouldn't look like the picture they showed of a bridge in Derbyshire – it would suit the surroundings here.

Members were extremely unhappy with the look of the bridge.

The Chairman and Clerk to look back into the history for further information.

93/08 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- Feedback on the Dunsford Park meeting

94/08 DATES FOR FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next dates for the ordinary meetings of the Parish Council will continue to be on the first Monday of every month: Monday 6th October 08, Monday 3rd November 08 and Monday 1st December 08.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8:30pm

Approved at the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 6th October 2008.

(Signed)

Chairman

Date