



LIMPSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL - MONTHLY MEETING

*Minutes of the monthly meeting of Limpsfield Parish Council held on Monday
12th June 2023, 7pm at Limpsfield CofE Infants School.*

*Attending councillors: Thomas Briggs, Bernie de Haldevang, Bob Harvey,
Sophie Kemp, Ann Osborn, Tony Taylor, Jenny Williams, Mark Wilson
TDC Cllrs: Claire Blackwell & Ian Booth
Clerk: Sophie Martin*

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

John Thompson, Cameron McIntosh

2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

Agreed as circulated.

4. PUBLIC SESSION

None

5. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS (Claire Blackwell, Ian Booth)

- TB circulated update from Cameron McIntosh regarding SCC and Highways (attached)
- JW notes that there is still no Highways report on the change of use on The Studio. IB has chased the officer. ***JW will also chase Cameron on this given its importance.***
- **Gaywood Solar Farm** - There is no update at this time. Awaiting reports from SCC. JW notes that it was decided at the last planning committee meeting that LPC would offer further comment to Tandridge and cc Sevenoaks DC.
- **Wolf's Row Allotments** – CB confirms that enforcement has emailed the owners (John and Guy Innes). No response as yet.
- **Grasshopper Inn site** – CB confirms there is nothing further to report in terms of any planning application.
- **AONB Boundary Review** – CB circulated letter/ response to AONB from TDC. This has been submitted. The additional proposed area would add weight to LPC/TDC's position on the Gaywood Solar application. LPC to submit a letter to the AONB review that supports TDC's submission. ***TB will draft.***
- **10 Westerham Road** – (parking space retrospective application) was turned down at committee. MW proposes that the LPC formally asks TDC to get Enforcement to ask the applicant to reinstate the site. ***MW and JW to draft the letter within the next week.***

*Please email apologies for absence, comments/questions and considerations to the
Clerk at clerk@limpsfield.org*

- **Boundary Review** – IB has not yet read the detail of the report and does not wish to discuss the matter at this meeting. However, the parish councillors believe it is necessary and important to discuss given the timing.

TDC has 42 councillors. Some are 1,2,3 member wards. The Boundary Commission wants to make all (but a few) 3-member wards. At the moment Proposal is that Limpsfield is merged with Tatsfield / Titsey, which MW believes is not in the same county division (Warlingham). Woldingham has already submitted results of a consultation from residents and the Boundary Commission proposes leaving them as a 1-member ward.

MW suggests that Limpsfield holds a public consultation with residents over the next few weeks. The implications are really on the district councillors, who will be distributed over the 3 areas.

MW volunteers to draft the questions and believes we should also distribute a hard copy. Also suggests we share what we want to send out with Tatsfield. BdH in agreement that we need to do something now. SK believes we will get good response online / via social media. There is nothing (in terms of services etc) in common between Limpsfield and Tatsfield. They have more in common with Biggin Hill. IB notes that electoral equality would more likely be improved by putting Tatsfield with Warlingham East, rather than the current Warlingham E proposal without Tatsfield. IB also believes that persuading Limpsfield residents to write to the Boundary Commission directly if they don't agree with draft proposals could be effective in getting the Commission to change its stance.

MW proposes, JW seconds that LPC sends out a survey to Limpsfield residents that will include the LPC's recommendation that we maintain the status quo a 2-member ward. All agreed.

- **The Limpsfield Cookery School** - JW notes that The Limpsfield Cookery School is now selling bread on a Friday and becoming more retail focused, and she has been asked (in her capacity of Memorial Stores Treasurer) about its usage. JW asks CB for clarification as to what their usage / business class includes D1.F1. CB will look into it.

6. FINANCE & GOVERNANCE

6.1. Balances at end of May 2023 – circulated and accepted.

6.2. June 2023 Payments to agree/note - All payments approved and noted

6.3. To agree annual subscriptions and rolling grants (as itemised in accompanying note – on website). **All subscriptions reviewed and agreed.**

7. PLANNING

7.1. Any pressing planning applications for discussion

- 2 Park Mews – recommendation to no objection (no comment)
- Crabbett Wood Stud Farm – temporary consent for worker's accommodation for vet's overnight. Recommendation not to object with condition that the dwelling does not become a permanent or separate dwelling and only used

for the specific purpose as a vet's accommodation. MW proposes, JW seconds. SM to draft response.

- Land adjacent to Chichele Road planning EIA. To be discussed at next planning meeting.

7.2. Recent determinations of note

Land By Edenbrook turned down at appeal

Comms mast by Ballards has been dismissed at appeal.

7.3. AOB

- Green Hedges deferred to 6 July Planning Committee so that TDC Planning Committee members have a chance to visit the site.
- Green Belt Developments – Trevereux Stables, Red Lane Farm Stables and Orchard Cottage Farm. We are watching for any updates or decisions on these. Will be requesting a meeting with TDC if these applications are approved due to implications against LNP criteria in relation to development of the Green Belt.
- JW notes that the Planning Committee is paying particular attention to TPOs/TCAs and to soft landscaping aspect of planning applications.
- Church Hall development letter – JW seeks approval to send a letter to the Church clarifying the LPC's position and views of a proposed new Church Hall in relation to its location. All agreed. ***JW to finalise letter to be signed by the Chairman (TB).***

8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – Cllr Ann Osborn

- **Biodiversity project** – AO has had meeting with Maggie Morgan (NT/FOLC) who would be interested in helping to form a strategic plan for biodiversity in Limpsfield. AO, SK and MM to bring a first draft to the next LNP meeting (date TBC)
- **Footpaths** – AO very happy with progress so far.
 - Request regarding footpath from Detillens Lane to Glebe Meadow. Andy Wright has sent quote which has been noted as a valid expense within the Footpaths budget.
 - BH says he believes that the light on Pebble Hill path is still obscured.

9. CHART PLAYGROUND (Cllr Bob Harvey) - Condition report – all appears to be in good working order.

10. AOB

10.1. BH - Highways – would like to chase Highways regarding traffic light sequences at Limpsfield traffic lights.

10.2. Brick Kiln Lane – recently surface dressed. BH notes that residents have asked why this has been done, as they don't believe it was needed. CB says that she had asked about the surface following on from Brick Kiln Lane to Pains Hill. She understands that there may be further resurfacing once the leak on Pains Hill has been rectified.

- 10.3. Re the leak on Pains Hill, this has apparently been rectified although there may be some issue. CB is liaising with Cameron McIntosh and has discussed the possibility of re-surfacing of Pains Hill.
- 10.4. Chart Fair – this coming Sunday 18 June. The LPC will have a Gazebo on Sunday with Charlie Jarrett. Can use opportunity to talk about Boundary Review. MW and BH to man the tent. There will also be a Memorial Stores stand.
- 10.5. Limpsfield Village fete – will also be attended by LPC.
- 10.6. Chart History Book – TB notes that following an email exchange with Chris Pendred and Philip Bailey, the aforementioned have said they will go ahead with the book print “as planned” without asking for deposits and without the need for LPC funding. They thank the LPC for their consideration.
- 10.7. Conservation Area Pamphlet – the draft has been circulated to all pending a few minor tweaks, that has been seen and commented on by Chris Reynolds. JW proposes this draft is circulated to TDC for their approval ASAP. All agreed.

MEETING ENDS 20.53

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Thomas C Briggs". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Cllr Thomas Briggs, Chair