



***Draft Minutes of the Limpsfield Neighbourhood Plan Committee meeting  
held on Thursday, 16 February 2023, 4.30pm at The Bull Inn (upstairs  
meeting room)***

Attending: Cllrs Ann Osborn (Chair), John Thompson, Mark Wilson and Ted Beresford Knox. Clerk, Sophie Martin.

1. APOLOGIES for absence  
Robert O'Donovan, Laila Turner
1. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST  
None
2. MINUTES OF last meeting (attached)  
No comments. Approved.
3. BIODIVERSITY - update from Robert O'Donovan and LNP 8 (please read LNP 8)  
RO'D has suggested the LPC might do a biodiversity study of the Glebe and Brook Field.  
Most recent quote is £1648 + VAT.  
MW believes we should be doing this in support of the designation of Local green space. This might be helpful in the event of any discussion about this designation.  
TBK believes we need both the permission and support of the landowner and tenant for doing a biodiversity study. Also, that the study is put in a context of the current use of the land. Consultants need to be aware that it is farmed land and its context.  
The study would list information about the species in the fields and may include some management recommendations. These could be funded by the landowner, the tenant farmer or the Parish Council.  
We would need to consider how or if to take any such recommendations forward  
AO will have an informal conversation with Amanda Skinner (tenant) first to gauge support. If this is successful, she will contact both landowners. If not, it is unlikely that we will be able to take this project forward.

**LNP 8**

- Maintaining footpaths – Footpaths programme is still doing a great job.
- Sustainable tourism - Limpsfield Way and Cycle route has been completed and is also proving very popular. Also working with NT and FoLC on their initiatives.
- Wildlife Corridor and Wildflower Corridor:  
AO suggests that we look into areas that we could potentially create some wildflower corridors – top of the village high street/Pebble Hills / Wolfs Row,

Limpsfield Chart. Timing wise, any wildflower seeds would need to go into the ground in March.

More research needs to be done into what a wildlife corridor is/should be, in consultation with Surrey Wildlife Trust.

TBK believes Wildlife Corridors should link residential areas with corridors that allow wildlife to pass between them, such as Edenbrook, and also to look at potential development areas. Wolf's Row allotment site could also be such a corridor and we should have that in mind if there were to be any future development of that site.

Wildflower corridor: Wolf's Row – both sides – Ann will look into cost to prepare the land for planting and buy the wildflowers, and bring a proposal to the March LPC meeting.

Other initiatives to encourage wildlife could be bird and bat boxes in conjunction with/in addition to the work that FoLC is doing on the common and to publicise the need to encourage wildlife as a communications project.

Clerk to work with Men in Sheds re. Bird boxes – to encourage residents to put a bird box into their garden. Clerk to research tips on where to locate boxes etc.

- Recycling. To look at opportunities for recycling in Limpsfield Parish – JW to lead. SM to forward email from TDC that says that recycling bring bank centres may be closed.

#### 4. USE OF CIL money for LNP and CAAMP projects

Government Guidance CIL para 144

Where all or part of a chargeable development is within the area of a parish council, the charging authority must pass a proportion of the CIL receipts from the development to the parish council as explained below. The parish council must use the CIL receipts passed to it to support the development of the parish council's area by funding the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure; or anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on the area.

- Clerk to ensure that we run any projects by Tandridge CIL team to be certain of eligibility, but most of the projects that we would be looking at in LNP and CAAMP would be eligible (and have already been confirmed as such by Jeremy Fisher at TDC), unless they were incurring ongoing /annual costs.

#### 5. LNP PROJECTS FOR 2023

- a. Limpsfield Way – We have around £1400 left in the grant which will go to inspections and any other final costs before signing off with YFS.
- b. Footpaths – To carry on with Footpaths programme and agree budget for 2024.
- c. Buses in Limpsfield

AO proposes that we look at the possibility of diverting one of the buses that goes through Limpsfield Village (236). Southdown Buses manager has suggested some alternatives - that the 236 could run down the A25, with the 594 still servicing the high street. This would take one bus out of the equation

when it comes to congestion and difficulty in the high street. The 236 is also the bigger of the buses. The 594 comes very soon after the 236 on the timetable and AO does not believe it would cause much inconvenience.

MW and JW skeptical as to whether we should be removing any public transport options.

AO has contacted Highways on this issue and will pass on the results for future reference. It would be possible to trial the proposal above if Highways were happy to do so.

TBK suggests there are other traffic management measures that could be considered which could be done to alleviate the issue of the buses, as it's not the buses that cause the issue; it's the cars coming the other way that don't stop that cause the problem. Therefore, traffic flow measures are the key. However the result of the buses in the High Street is often congestion because of poor driving.

TBK believes there is scope for chicanes or build-outs to manage traffic flow. This would need to be agreed with SCC who will not take this forward until the parking review is completed, and any proposals actioned as the parking review may provide new proposals to reduce the congestion.

d. Provision of electric vehicle charging points in Limpsfield –

TDC have various sites for EV charging points and have a meeting scheduled in June regarding the EV strategy in Tandridge (including Limpsfield). Currently they are looking at Ellice Road, Morrisons and TLC car parks. Clerk believes that TDC Staff car park (which is free to public after 1800 and all weekend) is also on the list. To confirm with TDC.

TBK suggests St Peter's Hall car park but this will depend on Church Hall plans. Clerk to contact TDC to propose they look at somewhere on the Common / Chart. Legion or Carpenters Arms.

6. UPDATE ON CAAMP PROJECTS Part 1 (2022/3)

- a. Litter bins - have been replaced and looking much better.
- b. Connection with Wolfs Row – possible enlargement of wildflower corridor (as mentioned above)
- c. Streetlights – the heritage streetlamps have to come from the Milestone company via SCC. AO suggests that we propose 2 streetlamps for next year and has a quote for this from Milestone, agreed by SCC. This would need to be part of the CAAMP proposals for 23/24 and would be dependent on CIL income
- d. Milestone – almost finished for installation.
- e. Ironstone - Grant for the renovation of the ironstone work: SCC has agreed in principle for 50% (up to a max of £5000) grant through Historic Buildings Officer, Chris Reynolds.

The grant seeks to see the success of a "patch test" area before agreeing to the full amount. This is being organized by JW.

7. PROPOSALS FOR CAAMP PROJECTS Part 2 (2023/4) & LNP

The following items are agreed for budget priority for 2023/4:

- Streetlamps – suggested 2 for next year

- Kerb stones and paviers replacement
- Continuation of Ironstone renovation. There is still a fund of £10,000 in this year's CAAMP budget for this and it is hoped that work will be commissioned in this financial year
- CCTV cameras in conjunction with Oxted Parish Council who is leading the project with Highways and the Police.

#### 8. CHURCH HALL RENOVATION

As presented at the LPC meeting by Dominic Campbell and Helen Cook, St Peters Church Hall committee is proposing to replace the current church hall with a new one to be sited on the Glebe Meadow. This will incorporate Panda and Limpsfield Fitness who will be temporarily moved. This is at the very initial stages and needs to seek funding. Councillors mentioned the need for good parking facilities and the potential complication of placing those on Local Green Space. The Church Hall Committee will keep the LPC informed of progress.

#### 9. AOB

Meeting ends. 18.14

Next meeting TBC