

**LEIGHTON & EATON CONSTANTINE**  
**EXTRARDINARY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**MINUTES**

1. **Chairman's Welcome:** the chairman welcomed all to the meeting
2. **Present:** Councillor S Jones- Chairman; Councillor E Parton; Councillor R Harper; Councillor G Godwin  
 Apologies were received from Councillors M Corrie, P Brewer and J Hayter who all had prior commitments. Also, present: L Pardoe clerk to the council, Shropshire Councillor C Wil, John Plumridge from Mouchel, Richard Ayrton from Shropshire Council and members of the public. (Please see list attached to signed minutes)
3. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interests:** There were none at this point
4. **Public Session: *Standing Orders were suspended to allow members of the public to speak.***
  - The Chairman explained the meeting was to look at the proposals for traffic calming within the village of Leighton. Richard Ayrton from Shropshire Council explained that we were looking at this as it had been highlighted in the Sites of Community Concern. He admitted that finance is an issue for Shropshire Council and this would affect what options are available (Please see attached report) He spoke on the three options on offer. Options 1 & 2 had extra signing and lining through the village. The speed limit would remain the same for these options. The third option was to increase the speed limit to 40mph. This is the speed preferred by the police and one which would be enforceable by them. Richard Ayrton from Shropshire Council and John Plumridge from Mouchel agreed that option 2 would be their preferred option.
  - Richard Ayrton confirmed what the Parish Council have already been told by the police, that a 30mph limit would not be enforced by them. A member of the public stated that as a statutory limit the 30mph limit should be enforced by the police. There was a discussion and Councillor Wild suggested that the Police and Crime Commissioner be invited to a meeting to discuss this point.
  - A member of the public asked who funded the White van speed enforcement (safer Roads Partnership). It was explained that the fines raised from this funded the Safer Roads Partnership vans and salary costs. It was suggested that the Parish Council reapply for a community Speedwatch scheme to be operated in the area.
  - A member of the public said that the overgrown hedges through the village are a real problem as they force pedestrians to walk on the road.
  - Councillor S Jones asked if there could be wider white lines to the edge of the road through the village.
  - Councillor Parton asked if there could be an extra option of a 40mph buffer zone at the ends of the village and it was agreed that this was a possibility.
  - Councillor C Wild suggested that a walk through the village be arranged, followed by an Open day with the final draft for all residents to see. She also suggested that the Police & Crime Commissioner be invited to a meeting. *This to be on the agenda for the May meeting.*
  - After discussion, it was clear that *Option 2* was the most popular with all those at the meeting

Councillor C Wild then left the meeting along with many members of the public, leaving two residents remaining. Richard Ayrton from Shropshire Council and John Plumridge from Mouchel also left the meeting at this point.

***Standing Orders were re-instated.***

5. **Council to consider Proposal by Mouchel for traffic calming measures in Leighton Village.**  
 After discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council would accept Option 2 with a little bit of tweaking. Proposed by Councillor S Jones; seconded by Councillor E Parton and agreed by all members present.

6. **Planning applications:**

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 L Pardoe  
 Clerk & RFO

Signed.....  
 Dated Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017

- Reference:17/01031/FUL  
Address: Holiday Lets Accommodation at Morrells Wood Farm, Morrellswood Lane, Leighton  
Proposal: Conversion of part of an agricultural building into a self-catering holiday unit and installation of a septic tank in association with existing holiday let business.  
After discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council supported this application. It was felt that it assisted the viability of the farm, supported sustainable tourism and was a good example of a viable farm diversification scheme.  
Proposed by Councillor R Harper; seconded by Councillor E Parton and agreed by all members present.

7. **Date & Time of the next meeting It was agreed that this would be on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017 starting at 7.30pm at Eaton Constantine Village Hall**
8. **The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.30pm.**