

LEIGHTON & EATON CONSTANTINE PARISH COUNCIL

Tuesday 7th January 2020

MINUTES

1. **Chair's Welcome** The chairman welcomed all to the meeting
2. **Present** Councillor S Jones-Chairman, Councillor S Dawes, Councillor E Parton, Councillor M Thorn, Councillor M Budgen. Shropshire Councillor C Wild, L Pardoe clerk to the council and PC Mark Milton from West Mercia Police. Apologies were received from Councillor M Corrie who was away The Council agreed to his absence.
3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interests.** There were none declared at this point
4. **Police Report.** PC M Milton spoke to members on various issues. Members have grave concerns on the speeding through Leighton on the B4380. PC Milton would request fresh data gathering on speeds through the villages. He also spoke on speed limits and the possible infrastructure generated by the Power station site. He would also look at where in Shropshire there are average speed cameras in place with a view to the possibility of having these through Leighton. It was agreed that the Road Safety Partnership needed to identify sites on the B4380 where pull-ins could be generated to allow for speed checks to be done. He would see if he could get Rod Lake from the Police Liaison team to drive through with him to see the speeding issues on the road. *It was agreed for the clerk to write to John Campion about the speeds on the B4380.*
5. **Council to agree the minutes from Meeting held in November 2019.** It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Councillor S Dawes, seconded by Councillor M Thorn and agreed by all members present.
6. **Clerk to report on matters arising not covered on the agenda.** All items were covered on the agenda.
7. **Report from Shropshire Councillor.** Councillor Wild reported that there would be a meeting held on Thursday with Harworths to go through the planning applications with the Parishes and Shropshire Councillors. Councillors S Jones & E Parton to attend.
8. **Update on Buildwas Power Station Site. See above**
9. **Public Session.** There were no members of the public present.
10. **Councillor S Jones to update on registration of Smartwater in parish.** The required 70% registration of kits had been achieved and she would be meeting with Tim Williams to look at the positioning of the signs through the villages. Councillor E Parton asked that Councillor S Jones be commended for her hard work in achieving this by going door to door and arranging days at the village halls for registration.
11. **Planning .**
 - (a) Previous applications
 - 19/02836/LBC Home Farm House, Leighton, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 6RN. Permission Granted
 - 19/04150/FUL Leighton Lodge, Leighton, Shrewsbury. SY5 6RN. Awaiting decision
 - 19/04050/DIS 6 Upper Longwood. Eaton Constantine Shrewsbury SY5 6SB. Awaiting decision
 - 19/04934/FUL Conversion of outbuilding to form 1 No dwelling, installation of septic tank drainage system and landscaping scheme
Proposed Dwelling Opposite the Smithy Garmston Shrewsbury Shropshire. Awaiting decision.
 - (b) Council to consider any new applications;
Reference: 19/05588/FUL
Address: 2 Spout Lane, Leighton
Proposal. Erection of a workshop, store and gym for personal use following demolition of existing building. After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council had no objections to this application, however they would like assurances that as the property lies within the Shropshire Hills AONB that the size and the materials used for this building would not be detrimental to the character of the wider countryside. The Parish Council is also concerned that the workshop will not cause too great a

noise impact on the neighbours. Proposed Councillor S Jones seconded Councillor E Parton and agreed by all members present.

12. Highways Matters –

- See item 4
- Councillor Dawes confirmed that the graffiti has been removed.
- Clerk to request the groundsman to clean the signs through the villages and also clear vegetation around the signs in the villages.

13. Financial Matters

- a) To approve invoices for payment. It was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor M Thorn, seconded by Councillor E Parton

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717	HMRC	PAYE	84.00
718	SALC	Training	6.75
719	Eaton Constantine V Hall	Room Hire	104.00
S/O	Staff	Salary	172.01
720	Smart Water	Smartwater packs	1368.36
721	Staff	Expenses	43.90
	Total		1779.02

- b) To approve payment of invoices received after agenda was sent out. There were no late invoices
- c) To accept Bank Reconciliation for month ended 31st December 2019. It was agreed to accept the bank reconciliation as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor M Thorn, seconded by Councillor E Parton
- d) Council to set the precept for the forthcoming financial year 2020/2021. Following a long discussion it was agreed to set the precept at a figure of £6,320. Which would be an increase of 15% Proposed by Councillor M Thorn, seconded by Councillor E Parton

- 14. Correspondence; list to be circulated prior to the meeting.** This was noted. It was agreed to nominate Councillor S Jones for the Buckingham Palace Garden Party.

15. Parish Matters

- a) **Councillor to report any parish matters.** There were no matters raised by members.

- 16. Date & Time of the next meeting** It was agreed that this would be on Tuesday 3rd March 2020 starting at 7.30pm at Leighton Village Hall.

- 17.** The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 10.00pm