

Latton Parish Council Meeting

19th September 2016

7.30pm in the Village Hall

Minutes

1. Apologies: Councillor Bob Jones. Present: Councillors Graham Blunden (Chairperson), Chris Lennon, Jason Prior, Peter Rawsthorne & Bev Blunden (Clerk). Several members of the public were also present.
2. Minutes from last Meeting on 18.7.16 were agreed by all & signed by Chairperson.
3. Declarations of interest: None
4. Co-option of Councillors: Jason Prior was co-opted onto Latton Parish Council & Liz Webster observed the meeting, with the view of co-option at the next meeting. Simon Landers has resigned & we thank him for his contribution.
5. Accounts: bank reconciliation – no outstanding cheques

Parish Council	£52660.90
Water Eaton Fund	£10000.00
Total in Bank Account (as at 30 Aug)	<u>£62660.90</u>
6. Village Hall update - Stuart Dagnall sent a written report:
Following the visit of the Diocesan Advisory Committee to the church in February we have received feedback on their visit findings and on draft documents that the PCC sent to them. The PCC will consider the implications of the DAC comments over the next few weeks and determine the next steps to take. Once this has been completed the PCC will be able to issue a more detailed update.
7. A419 Action Group update - Janet Sharpe reported:
Highways England have decided Latton will have a barrier in place by 2016 but there is no information about this barrier available. The Government Office has acknowledged that local government can play a part in the process & so Gloucs County have agreed to have a meeting. The A419 Campaign Group has met with officers from Gloucs County working on the issue & met with the Highways Agency. Janet has been lobbying Philip Whitehead (Cabinet Leader for Wilts Highways for Wilt Council). He will get officers on this & put pressure on Highways England. The Campaign group want to find out how Defra designated Latton as a designated area & they plan to get local authority paid officers together to move things forward. Highways England rarely resurface roads unless there is a strong safety aspect, so it is important to keep up the pressure on them.
8. Water Eaton issues - Jason Prior commented:
There are several issues with the Water Eaton Road i) Overall speed along the road - 30 mph limit could be extended from the Castle Eaton end & ii) Road maintenance, which is a Wilts Council Highways issue. Liz Webster is meeting with MP James Gray to discuss the Water Eaton road. Action: Graham to contact Bob Jones about a traffic survey & the possibility of extending 30 mph limit from Castle Eaton. As many residents as possible need to report potholes, etc at www.wiltshire.gov.uk
9. Speedwatch update - Chris reported:
There is a volunteer on the training course in Oct. Overall, there has been a 70% reduction in speed. Latton will have the Speedwatch device from 3-15 Oct. Action: Bev to put together a volunteers rota for Speedwatch.
10. SID update – Bev has previously sent out quotes by email to Councillors. The best buy was the SID from Radarlux Radar Systems, Germany at an approx. cost of £2900, which is the same as the one recently purchased by Cricklade. All agreed one Radarlux SID should be purchased. Action: Bev to purchase a SID for Latton
11. Defibrillator kiosk – paint & signs: all agreed volunteers could repaint the kiosk with the paint recently purchased by Graham. Action: Chris to organize a working group & Graham to purchase 3 more signs.
12. Playground equipment: new equipment is being installed & good reports received from residents. Bev has arranged RoSPA Annual Safety check for Oct 2016. All agreed the bench could be restored. Action: Chris to organize a working group to restore the bench
13. Emergency Plan: Chris has this in hand & has found some volunteers.
14. Planning Applications: None
15. Xmas Tree Lighting event 2016 on Fri 2 Dec
Action: Chris to circulate planning list to all involved in organizing.
16. Letter from resident for consideration: resident no longer wished his letter to be read out, but basically he was commenting on the lack of maintenance by Wilts Council for tidying verges, etc. Action: Bev to send list of jobs to Parish Steward.
17. Date of next meeting – Tues 15 Nov, 7.30pm at Latton Village Hall