

LUCKINGTON & ALDERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Draft Minutes of the Meeting of Luckington and Alderton Parish Council Held on Wednesday 8th December 2021 at 7.30pm in Luckington Village Hall

Present

Chair

Richard McCraith (RMC)

Councillors

Mr John Buckley (JB)

Mr Nic Johnson-Greening (NJG)

Ms Sue Godwin (SG)

Councillor Martin Smith (MS)

Parish Clerk: Dr Sheona Beaumont (SB)

Jamie Sharp, Leon Iliffe-Moon.

1753. Apologies for Absence

Nigel Neale.

1754. Declaration of interests

JB declared a neighbour interest to Cobar Chase (Planning app. c, below), and will not take part in the decision.

1755. Members of the public are invited to address the Council on agenda items

There were none.

1756. Public Question Time

There were no questions.

1757. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 10th November 2021

The Minutes were approved by all and signed by RMC.

1758. Matters arising from the Minutes

a) RMC reported that concerns about the Back Green are still being raised anonymously. NJG reported building vans & tractors adding to the problem. JB confirmed this is strictly a Highways issue. SB to advise those concerned to write to Highways, or report on MyWilts.

b) SB reported that quotations for the fingerpost replacement and cemetery gate repair are still being sought.

c) PAYE for the Clerk is ongoing.

1759. Correspondence received:

- a) **Comments from Lesley and Dudley Bennett (04/12/21) received by email in regards to planning application d (below):** 'We were very pleased to know of the proposed improvements to Avondale. We live at the end of Brookend and walk up and down our road daily. Avondale is completely out of keeping with the rest of the houses in Brookend, it is a 1960s bungalow set too far back from the road. The latest planning application much more closely matches the houses around it. We strongly support this application which will significantly improve the appearance of Brookend within the Luckington Conservation Area. We are glad that a growing family chooses to stay in the village and to improve our neighbourhood rather than moving away to better accommodation.'

1760. To review and comment on the following planning applications:

- a) **PL/2021/10312** - 3 CHURCH ROAD, LUCKINGTON, SN14 6PG; notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area. There were no objections.

- b) **PL/2021/10746** - THE OLD POST OFFICE, THE STREET, ALDERTON, SN14 6NL; replacement of Rear Dormer Windows. There were no objections.
- c) **PL/2021/10175** – COBAR CHASE, THE STREET, LUCKINGTON, SN14 6NP; demolition of existing building to be replaced with new stable block and associated works. JB summarised the documents. There were no objections.
- d) **21/00044/FUL** – AVONDALE, BROOK END, LUCKINGTON, SN14 6PJ; demolition of an existing dwelling and construction of a three storey detached house and double garage. Jamie Sharp and Leon Iliffe-Moon were invited to join this discussion. JS confirmed that the height is a metre taller, RMC noted the diagram was missing scale. LI concerned that previous agreement of no future developments in the front have not been added to the latest documents, and that the height of the development will significantly overlook his neighbouring property. SB read out the supporting comment (see Correspondence above). JB summarised the history, in light of which the Council asked MS to escalate this application to the Northern Area Planning Committee, with JB willing to consult. MS agreed. SB to submit the following comment online, following the previous Council decision to object:

Luckington and Alderton Parish Council object to this application. Concern was raised over the bigger prospect, including overlooking windows and heightened roof line (which is above neighbouring houses), which were considered out of keeping with nearby dwellings and would negatively impact upon the privacy of neighbours. Concern was also raised over the proposed flood defences, and whether the impact of these on flood risk and river course beyond the plot had been considered. Mindful of the developments this application has gone through, and the inattention to previous objections, the Council consider it essential to escalate this application to the Planning Committee for consideration.

1761. Update on Financial Issues

- a) To agree payments as listed on the financial summary. The following payments were agreed: SLCC (Clerk GDPR training): £36.00. Payments approved by all, SB to send out payment details.

1762. Cemetery Records

SB notified the Council that these would be checked and finalised by the next Council meeting. RMC raised a resident's report of mud outside the gate needing clearing up. Clear-up day proposed for 4th January 2022, 10am. SB to email resident.

1763. Neighbourhood Watch

JB advised that there are now two main portals for local news: NW website where people sign up to receive email alerts (Wiltshiremessaging.co.uk), and roadworks news available from one.network. SB & JB to pick up alerts and post on Facebook when relevant. SB & JB to be link to PCSO in future. SB to put details of these portals on the LAPC website.

1764. Gigaclear broadband

JB confirmed that boxes and cables are being laid through Luckington, due for implementation end of 2022.

1765. Highways update

JB advised that Chapel Road drain been reported, as has footpath sign down near Luckington Lane (Shoulder Mutton) been reported. Other checks ongoing.

1766. Report from Outside Meetings

None to report.

1767. Items for next meeting Agenda and any other business, for information only

Precept to go on next Agenda.

SB reported guidance about the cooption of Councillors, and needing job description in any advertising. JB & NJG concerned that this isn't the right time to pursue this, Council to set it aside for now.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.