

Long Newnton Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual General Council meeting held on 3rd February 2022

THIS MEETING WAS HELD in Holy Trinity Church

Members

Di Thomas, Debs Brock-Doyle, , Gaye Mitchell,
In attendance; Andrea Warrington- (Clerk) and Julian Beach (Active Parishioner)

Joined the meeting : Cllr. Nikki Ind Tetbury Town Council
Cllr. Steven Hirst – Tetbury Town Council
Stephanie Dale Resident,
Sally Nicholas & Phil Taylor (Parish Wardens)
Apologies Received: Susan Sampson Bean Landale

1-2022	1	Apologies for Absence – Susan Sampson Bean Landale	
1-2022	2	Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda None	
1-2022	3	To approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting held 4 th November 2021 Proposed by Di Thomas Seconded by Debs Brock Doyle	
1-2022	4	Public questions (if any) None Presentation by Stephanie Dale relating to the Fosseway Bridge and Cotswold Drive – Southern Route (Attached) The Long Newnton Parish Wardens attended the meeting and gave a short presentation of their role in the community and how they can help us. The Parish Wardens are volunteers who keep an eye on the area footpaths on behalf of the AONB. It appears that they are able to help with a variety of jobs using a group of volunteers who are trained in hedging/walling etc they respond to requests from the PC and will investigate to see if they are able to help with mending parts of the Fosseway by the Bridge. There is something called the Countryside fund which may be able to assist. They are to check and report back. Clerk is to send Bridge pictures to Sally	AJW
1-2022	5	Matters arising : All covered as items in agenda.	
1-2022	6	Fosseway Bridge repairs/actions: The Parish Council and local residents have been increasingly concerned that a minority of 4x4 off road vehicles have been using the ford and surrounding area as an offroad playground and have caused significant damage and erosion to the area surrounding the Bridge, including some hedges. The Parish council have been discussing various ways to try and protect what is a beautiful bridge and ensure that it is protected from further damage. The ideas were to deter the 4x4 vehicles and it should be noted that the PC have never wished to <u>close</u> the Fosseway to vehicles. A discussion took place as to how we may stop the erosion to the banks of the bridge and ensure no further damage is done by 4x4 vehicles. It was suggested that we should get a survey done on the bridge which will cost in the region of £3500. We need to work out how this will be paid for as it is not in our budget for this year. Once this has been completed, we can then consider our options possibly looking at fencing or hedging to act as a barrier around the vulnerable banks of the Bridge. Julian B is to investigate crowdfunding as a means of paying for this. It is important to remember that this is also on the border of Glos and Wiltshire so we may be able to source funding from Wiltshire too. We must also keep other stakeholders advised JB to report back. <u>P.S. UPDATE</u> Added after the meeting Sally Nicholas obtained a response from Becky Jones who is the paid role in charge of the voluntary Cotswold volunteers. She got in touch with Frank Dorrington-Ward who is the Public rights of way officer for Wiltshire County Council. <u>See attached</u> . It appears that Gloucestershire County Council are responsible for the bridge and Frank thought that Wiltshire Public rights of way are responsible for the Ford. GCC has already done a survey completed by Adkins, so the Parish Council no longer have to complete a survey. There is	

		<p>work planned on the Ford, which should make it less attractive for 4x4's but it is a big project and currently there is no timescale for when the work will be completed, the work on the bridge will be completed at the same time.</p> <p>Other useful contacts for this project are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ian Soule Gloucestershire CC Rights of way team Stephen Leonard – Wiltshire County Council rights of way officer. 	
1-2022	7	Tree Warden report: The Ash Tree in Church Lane is now officially on a list for felling. The red/pink stick has disappeared from the tree. We are still waiting for a date for the tree felling.	Gayle
1-2022	8	<p>Clerks Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk reported that she had issued new business email addresses for each Councillor. These will be used in future for all Parish Council business. The precept had been requested with no increase again this year. The Parish Council computer had stopped working efficiently and DT and DBD Authorised that the repair could go ahead so we didn't have to wait until the next meeting without a working computer. The cost was £200 at Nailsworth Computer services Budget has been updated. VAT return will be done over coming months. 	AJW
1-2022	9	<p>Highways Update: The Melcourt Planning application has been deferred. (See attached copy letter). We need to keep checking the planning portal for updates but until the traffic issues are resolved the planning will not be granted. DT handed out a document detailing funding of the Melcourt objection showing income and expenditure. The residents had been extremely generous with donations for both the Melcourt Objection Fund and also the Wild flowers (see Below)</p> <p>Wildflowers: we now have all the Spacehive money in and nearly all the donations have been paid in to the bank account. DT handed out documents (see attached) with donations detailed together with a schedule of work for the Wildflowers in the Village through to 2024. To be reviewed annually. It is our intention to extend the wildflowers along the main road to near the village gates, do the little triangle opposite the church, and an area at Larkhill by the crossroads. We have enough funding to do a further 800 square metres.</p> <p><i>UPDATE: PCC expressed concern about wild-flowering the triangle opposite the church and asked us not to proceed. The Parish Council feel that this is a shame as it would have looked pretty for summer weddings and also help stop the lorries ruining that part of the verge.</i></p> <p>Village sign: it was suggested that we claim on our own insurance to replace the village gate and planter. Highways have been pursuing the motorist but as the accident was in Dec 2020 and we are still waiting Clerk will see if we can claim from our insurance and report back.</p>	DT
1-2022	10	<p>Correspondence received –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> emails received regarding the proposal to charge parish Councils for contested elections. It is not something that we experience and it will mean increasing our precept to put funds away each year to build a fund in case of a contested election. It was agreed by all the Councillors that we will see how the matter develops and if necessary, build something in to our budget for future years. Clerk is to ask GAPTC what we should do as a small PC Litter Pick - Ben Jackson from Tetbury has sent an email asking to join forces for a litter pick meeting the Tetbury border with Long Newnton. DBD to respond and arrange our annual litter pick weekend. Clerk also gave DBD Millie.lawlor@publicagroup.uk email address from Clean and green as she is available to assist and advise with litter picks. Arranged for 12th March (Clerk gave apologies as will be away for that weekend). Millie is also providing more pick up after your dog notices. 	AJW DBD
1-2022	11	Reports from any meetings attended: None	AJW

1-2022		Finance: The budget review means that we will have funds to cover our portion of the joint jubilee party and also enough for a new speed camera.	INFO																																																												
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1-2022	14	Bank Balance as at date of meeting £6300.99																																																													
1-2022	15	Planning –See attached	INFO																																																												
1-2022	16	Update on code of contact, financial regs and standing orders DBD has completed the code of conduct and standing orders can now be uploaded on to the web site the Financial regulations will be updated by Clerk and DBD shortly.	DBD AJW																																																												
1-2022	17	Speed Camera update Julian was dealing with autospeedwatch.org the cost of cameras is £500 each he is to speak with GCC and the Police Speedwatch department to see about funding. Will report back.	JB																																																												
1-2022	18	The pre insurance questionnaire was agreed with the addition of the two benches to be added																																																													
1-2022	19	Parish Election charges covered in correspondence above.																																																													
1-2022		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nikki Ind updated the Councillors on the latest Tetbury items which may be of interest:Car park charges to be streamlinedPosition of dog poo bins We could apply for a bin which would be emptied by the council Clerk to look in to this.	AJW																																																												

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The planning of a garage on a house just in Tetbury (see planning attached) was not thought to be under Long Newnton but Nikki advised that the garage was in fact in Long Newnton so we should offer a comment on the portal. DT to undertake this with no objection providing it is not a separate residence. 	
1-2022		Other Matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The PC is to join with the PCC to organise a Jubilee Street Party on Sunday 5th June 2022. Sub-committee arranged headed by Debs Drock-Doyle help from Gaye Mitchell and Andrea Warrington. Residents to be asked to assist on committee. The matter of a village Whats App group was suggested by a resident. It was felt that it was not appropriate as too many messages could be annoying and the current email system works well enough. Face book page was also not popular at this time. 	AJW
1-2022		DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 5 th May 2022	
1-2022		<i>Andrea Warrington Clerk/RFO Long Newnton Parish Council</i>	



Planning deferred
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Copy of letter which is held on file.

Tel: 01452 427604 Email: mark.sweet@gloucestershire.gov.uk Cotswold District Council Trinity Road Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 1PX Highways Development Management Economy Environment and Infrastructure Shire Hall Westgate Street Gloucester GL1 2TG 20 January 2022 Your ref: 21/04342/FUL Ask for: Mark Sweet Dear Andrew Moody

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015
ARTICLE 18 CONSULTATION WITH HIGHWAY AUTHORITY

PROPOSAL: Extension to yard used for the storage of horticultural products

LOCATION: Melcourt Industries Limited Boldridge Brake Crudwell Lane Long Newnton Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8RT

APPLICANT: Melcourt Industries Limited

Gloucestershire County Council, the Highway Authority acting in its role as Statutory Consultee has undertaken a full assessment of this planning application. Based on the appraisal of the development proposals the Highways Development Management Manager on behalf of the County Council, under Article 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)(England) Order, 2015 recommends that this application is deferred. The justification for this decision is provided below. The transport statement illustrates that the application site accounts for between 49% and 57% of pre and post lockdown recorded traffic on Crudwell Lane. 42 daily vehicles in category OGV2 associated with Melcourt represented 71% of the 59 OGV2 traffic movements recorded on Crudwell Lane. This is a significant proportion of HGV traffic from the site to A4014 especially along Crudwell Lane and can be attributed significantly to the verge overrun damage observed along Crudwell Lane by objectors and the Transport Statement. The development is stated would result in 12 additional two-way HGV movements of which 2 existing will be removed between the site in South Cerney and the application site. However the site traffic would still result Tel: 01452 427604 Email: mark.sweet@gloucestershire.gov.uk in up to a 20% increase in traffic which makes up the majority along the lane and significant proportion along the north to south road down to the A4014 Long Newton junction by guidance standards. The Transport Statement proposes just one two-way HGV passing

space slightly west of the site access junction off Crudwell Lane, when the audit of the route width and multiple over-run areas of the verges which are visible looking at the route. To prevent continued damage by the site HGV movements which are the majority of large vehicle movements it is required that two-way passing places are at intervisible points along the lane from the site access toward the A4014. It is estimated that 3 and probably more passing places are needed along the lane with details submitted and assessed by the Local Highway Authority. It is also noted there appears to be a section of the site access from its junction with Crudwell Lane half way down to where it turns east which is one-way working and should be widened at the site access junction with two-way passing of HGVs at the lane junction and internally to prevent reversing onto the lane with limited visibility. The HGV management plan is not considered enforceable and mentions many measures which are existing practices which are not considered to be effective considering the highway verge damage from the majority site traffic on the lane since its approval. The site access should demonstrate emerging visibility onto Crudwell Lane according to approaching vehicle speeds particularly from the east where it appears restricted by hedge vegetation. The Highway Authority has undertaken a robust assessment of the planning application. Based on the analysis of the information submitted the Highway Authority concludes that there would be an unacceptable impact on Highway and suitable access for all users which would increase damage evident to the highway for all users contrary to paragraphs 110-112 of the NPPF and policy INF1, INF3 and INF4 of the Local Plan and therefore recommends that this application is deferred until suitable highway mitigation can be demonstrated. Yours Sincerely Mark Sweet Technician

Long Newnton Planning Nov 2021 – Feb 2022

DATE	REFERENCE	DETAILS	PC APPROVED	PLANNING OUTCOME
15.12.21	21/04109/FUL	Full Application for Insertion of x7 side facing roof lights at 6 Sycamore Close Long Newnton Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8SR	No comment	Approved
16.11.21	21/04109/FUL	Full Application for Loft conversion with Velux windows at 6 Sycamore Close Long Newnton Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8SR	No Comment	Approved
26.11.21	21/04342/FUL	Full Application for Extension to yard used for the storage of horticultural products at Melcourt Industries Limited Boldridge Brake Crudwell Lane Long Newnton Tetbury	Objection submitted	Decision deferred
23.12.21	21/04109FUL	Full Application for Insertion of x7 side facing roof lights at 6 Sycamore Close Long Newnton Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8SR	No Comment	Approved
24.12.21	21/04611/FUL	Full Application for Erection of open-sided timber barn at Nursery Farm Long Newnton Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8RL	Objection submitted	Application withdrawn
21.01.22	22/00161/FUL	Full Application for Erection of a two storey garage with gym/study above at Winter Brook Long Newnton Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8XA		Decision awaited



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Long Newnton Parish Meeting 3rd February 2022

A short presentation was made by local resident Stephanie Dale with reference to the Parish Minutes of 27th May and 5th August 2021 whereby the Parish Council are investigating whether a barrier can be put across the two thousand year old historical Right of Way Fosse Way by way to deter vehicles using it near the Pack-horse bridge over the River Avon tributary. The presentation was made as a result of concern the actions of putting a barrier across the ancient byway would particularly discriminate against people with disabilities and potentially be age discrimination.

Firstly, she thanked the Clerk to the Council, Parish Councillors, and Nikki Ind, our Independent District Councillor for their time and voluntary work, representing the residents, and congratulations were given to the Parish Council on gaining listed status for the bridge, with the question raised of whether the owners were aware of their likely increased liabilities.

Ms Dale commented that probably the best historical feature of Long Newnton, and how fortunate we are to have it, is the Roman built Fosse Way by way, open to all vehicles and users. Particularly during lockdown and since, it has been enjoyed more by walkers, cyclists, horse and motor bike riders, 4x4 vehicles and horse drawn carriage driving.

Depending on one's physical limitations which could be as a result of disabilities or age, it can be difficult to enjoy the countryside along off road rights of way, but in a 4x4 or on a horse drawn carriage, access can be gained. If a barrier was put up to stop vehicles, it is likely it would discriminate against people with disabilities and on age too.

The 2022 Olympics began the next day 4th February 2022. Following the success of the 2012 Paralympics and Para World Carriage Driving Championships, to leave a lasting legacy, twenty, twelve mile routes were set up across the U.K. suitable for people with physical limitations, to be able to enjoy the deeper countryside on a horse drawn carriage along off road tracks. As Assistant Commissioner of the British Driving Society covering Gloucester and North Wiltshire, Ms Dale helped to set up the second of the twenty routes through Long Newnton, Shipton Moyne and Brokenborough using the historical Fosse Way by way. Gloucestershire County Councillor Tony Hicks and Wiltshire Council were particularly helpful in having horse and carriage highways warning signs put up where the route crosses the B4014.

To mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, and in honour of Prince Philip who was passionate about carriage driving and 4x4 driving, (marked by the fact his coffin was brought to his funeral service in a 4x4 Land Rover), Ms Dale proposed that the Paralympic Legacy Route down the Fosse Way by way and through the villages, is named the *Prince Philip Way*. This would show people that residents of Long Newnton, Shipton Moyne and Brokenborough welcome people regardless of physical limitations to their communities and would not put up a barrier across the Fosse Way by way.

She added, she felt sure Her Majesty the Queen, Prince Charles, our future King, Princess Ann and the rest of the Royal Family would be delighted the route is named the *Prince Philip Way* and it would be a lasting legacy for each Councillor showing their support for retaining and protecting access for able bodied and for those with physical limitations, always to be able to use the two thousand year old historical right of way, probably the oldest physical asset still in use in the area.

Stephanie Dale

