

LAWSHALL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Date of meeting: Tuesday 9th July 2024
Time: 7:30pm
Venue: Village Hall
Clerk: lawshallpcclerk@outlook.com

PRESENT:	ACTION
<p>Mark Anson (Chair), Karen Whordley, Juliet Frost, Nigel Hughes, Catherine Baynton, Michael Holt, Louisa Mower 6 Members of the public</p>	
<p>1. APOLOGIES</p> <p>Noted and accepted from Andy Irish, Stephen Plumb, Richard Kemp.</p>	
<p>2. DECLARATION OF BUSINESS INTERESTS/CONFLICT OF INTEREST To give Councillors the opportunity to declare any new business interest or potential conflict of interest arising from the agenda for the meeting.</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11th June 2024 and Tuesday 25th June are a correct record. Draft minutes detailed on the website and emailed to Councillors. Shared and proposed by MA. Seconded by KW.</p>	
<p>4. MATTERS ARISING To receive progress of actions from last meeting and consider any matters arising from previous meetings not covered elsewhere in the agenda.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clock Update. MA The safety of the church tower is not guaranteed so work on the clock cannot be scheduled at the moment. • Bus Shelters. MA Council agreed that the bus shelters be cleared of weeds, tidied and painted depending on costings and whether welfare facilities can be provided for the probation service. LM to enquire whether the village hall or The Swan would be a suitable location for welfare purposes as a first step. • Broken Signs around Lawshall MA shared the report regarding these. Many do not meet the criteria for repair or replacement. 	LM
<p>5. REPORTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To receive a report from Richard Kemp, County Councillor, circulated prior to the meeting. • To receive a report from Michael Holt and/or Stephen Plumb, District Councillors, circulated prior to the meeting. <p>Monthly reports to be published on Parish Council website. To be actioned by LM</p>	LM

<p>6. UPDATES AND CORRESPONDENCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Broken Post and Dog Waste Bin. JF and LM explained that this has been reported and that a fly tip report has also been logged to clear the hazardous waste. Council await a response from Suffolk Highways.</p> <p>Playground Damage. CB provided an update about this. Fencing is broken, sleepers need renewing as they have rotten, areas are overgrown with thistles and weeds. LM to obtain costings for sleepers and quotes for clearing the vegetation. MA has cable ties to fix as bird deterrents. CB to look at the report and consider if other work is needed.</p> <p>Events and Licensing. MA A resident has made a complaint about noise. Council acknowledge their thoughts, but consider that this is a licensing issue. Council are supportive of the hard work of the publicans; who work within restrictions, have sound proofing and notify residents of events in advance.</p> <p>Councillor Recruitment. MA Lawshall Parish Council can have nine Councillors in total. Councillor vacancies to be advertised through Round and About, Facebook, notice boards, Lawshall Archives contact and word spread by existing Councillors.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Plan Actions. Thank you to JF for printing the Lawshall Neighbourhood Plan. Copies can be viewed in the village hall and The Swan. MA and JF to distribute these. MA asked Councillors to read and consider volunteering for the Community Actions. An action will be the focus each month. MA also thanked the planning watchdog for their help in ensuring compliance with the laws.</p> <p>Monthly Information from Suffolk Police. MA https://www.suffolk.police.uk/area/your-area/suffolk/sudbury-and-haverhill/sudbury-rural-north/about-us/crime-map CCTV has been installed after a theft at The Foundry. There were no other new incidents.</p> 	<p>LM CB</p> <p>All Council and LM</p> <p>All Council</p>
<p>7. FINANCE To receive a finance report, consider grant requests and authorise payments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business account: £21,350.95 Community account: £189.21 <p>AGAR Submission following Consideration of Internal and External Review Recommendations. MA Following Internal Audit and the Extraordinary Meeting on 25/06/24, Council approved the reinstatement of the previous financial year. The AGAR has now been submitted for External Audit.</p> <p>Consideration of CIL Expenditure Report for 2023 to 2024. MA reminded Council about the purpose of CIL monies received for the improvement of village infrastructure. Council considered items of CIL</p> 	

<p>expenditure. JF suggested that the church tower be included. CB seconded this. MA proposed the CIL expenditure report. JF seconded.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Account Usage for Spending and Reserves. MA proposed the Community bank Account be used as an operational one. The precept and receipts such as locality funding will be held within this operational account and agreed payments made from this. The Business Account will be used to hold CIL and Reserves. When spending of CIL monies has been agreed by Council an amount will be moved across to the operational account for payments. Council will need to consider whether an invoice will be paid from CIL or not monthly. Village Hall Hire Increase. A member of the village hall committee clarified that the residents fee of £14 applies to the Council. Village Hall Management Committee Funding Request. MA thanked the village hall committee and shared this. Council asked for comparative, phased quotes that include other measures in addition to the security gate such as CCTV and a cage so that the best use of public money can be ensured. Council also asked for the police report. LM to add to the next agenda. <p>INVOICES TO BE PAID</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heelis and Lodge for Internal Audit (agreed 25/7/24) and paid: £260 Direct Debit for I.C.O Registration Renewal 14/08/24: £40 Clerk salary for the month of June: £593.19 Neighbourhood Plan Printing: £98.00 Lawshall Village Hall Management Committee for NHP meeting hire: £21.00 Babergh Mid Suffolk for Dog and Waste Bin Emptying: £1,407.60. Invoice total = £2419.79. MA proposed a £2500 transfer from the Business to the Community account. Seconded by CB and JF. LM and KW to arrange. 	<p>All Council, ongoing</p> <p>LM</p> <p>LM KW</p>
<p>8. PLANNING To consider planning applications and appeals.</p> <p>APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION – Ref no. DC/24/01932 Proposal: Severance of garden and erection of 1No. self-build dwelling with attached garage and annexe over. Location: The Limes, Hibbs Green, Lawshall, IP29 4QG. Lawshall Parish Council object to this planning application as it does not satisfy the current Neighbourhood Plan. It does not satisfy Policy LWL1 – Spatial policy in relation to paragraph 5.7 by being an application outside of the Settlement Boundaries. It also does not satisfy Policy LWL2 - Housing Development, again by being outside of Settlement Boundaries, nor Policy LWL3 - Housing Mix. (AWAITING DECISION)</p> <p>APPLICATION FOR OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/24/02687 Proposal: Application for Outline Planning Permission (Access points to be</p>	

considered, all other matters reserved) Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) - Erection of 5 No self build dwellings Location: Land To The East Of, Melford Road, Lawshall, Suffolk. Comments extension until 11th July 2024. Lawshall Parish Council object as the planning application does not satisfy the current Neighbourhood Plan. It does not satisfy Policy LWL1 - Spatial policy in relation to paragraph 5.7 by being an application outside of the Settlement Boundaries. It also does not satisfy Policy LWL2 - Housing Development, again by being outside of Settlement Boundaries, nor Policy LWL3 - Housing Mix. It is recognised that this is an application for outline planning only, however the indicative site layout 102-612liv shows four parking spaces per property, which would suggest these are not 1 and 2 bed roomed properties. In addition the planning statement relies heavily on the shortage of self-build plots available in the district, based on a six year old report. It should be noted that a condition was lifted recently on application DC/24/00081 that was designed to encourage self-builders, as there was no demand for the plots.

**DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS FOR DC/24/01691
APPROVED CONDITION 4, BIODIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT LAYOUT
PRIOR TO WORKS**

Proposal: Householder Application. Erection of single garage. Location: 1 Swanfield, Lawshall, IP29 4QB.

DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS APPLICATION FOR DC/23/02330

Proposal: Part discharge of Condition 3. Action required prior to commencement of development- land contamination. Location: Land East Of, Folly Lane, Lawshall, Suffolk. (AWAITING)

**REFUSAL OF NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT TOWN AND COUNTRY ACT
1990**

Proposal: Application for a Non-Material Amendment relating to DC/21/04154- Alterations to internal layouts and external elevation configuration and external materials. Changes to hard landscaping. Location: Land West of Fox Cottage, The Street, Lawshall.

**9. PUBLIC FORUM AND MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT
MEETING**

- To receive comments or questions and matters of concern from Councillors.

NH reported good news that two turtle doves have been spotted in Hibb's Green. A cuckoo has also been heard.

MA received a complaint letter from a resident about light usage at the school. This is a matter for the school.

- To receive comments or questions and matters of concern from members of the public either in person, email or writing.

A resident shared school parking concerns and talked about the disruption caused to the village during an event. MA and Council to explore this further. E.g. planning conditions, Neighbourhood Plan Community Actions.

Lawshall Archives shared wonderful maps for the village hall. The History Recorder Role is still being advertised.

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10. CLOSE OF MEETING 9 p.m.	
DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 10 th of September 2024 7.30 p.m.	

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