

ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Full Council

Minutes of the Meeting Held in the Russell Room, Village Hall, Braeside Road,
on Wednesday 28th August 2024 at 7pm

Present: Cllr B Goringe, Chaired meeting

Cllr A Davies
Cllr S Marshall
Cllr N Reeder

Cllr M Dyer
Cllr N Hindmarch

Cllr S Cousins
Cllr JW Parker

Cllr C Johnson
Cllr JB Parker

In attendance: Mr. Jonathan Ross, Parish Clerk. Cllr R Bryan, DC Ward member.

Public Attendance: Two members of the public attended the meeting but neither addressed the committee.

74. Pecuniary Interests: No pecuniary interests were declared.

75. Apologies: Apologies were received from: Cllrs T Monkcom and B Waugh.

Proposed by Cllr S Marshall, seconded by Cllr S Cousins, agreed.

RESOLVED: The apologies received from those councillors listed were accepted.

76. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 31st July 2024. The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr A Davies. Agreed.

RESOLVED: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 31st July 2024 were adopted.

77. Matters arising from the previous minutes.

77.1. Request for a Grant from the Computer Café. Members did not support the request for a grant of £680 to provide Starlink broadband to the computer café. Proposed and seconded by Councillors, agreed.

RESOLVED: The grant request for £680 from the computer café to provide Starlink broadband was not supported by members.

77.2. Speed Restriction in the Village Hall Car Park. The new speed bump has been installed in the car park. It is to be painted with yellow warning patches.

77.3. Ditch Clearing Works in Braeside Glade. The parish council are still waiting for a date for these works to be carried out.

78. Correspondence. None.

79. Clerks Report.

79.1. Current CIL Funded Projects. The Clerk updated members on the progress of the current CIL funded projects.

79.2. Future CIL Funded Projects. The Chair advised members that the working group for CIL funded projects met and discussed future potential projects. It was agreed that the following projects would be taken forward and costed then brought back to committee for approval. Proposed by Cllr N Reeder, seconded by Cllr JB Parker, agreed.

79.2.1. To replace the timber fence around the playpark.

79.2.2. To purchase and install benches in several locations within the parish.

79.2.3. To provide an additional dog waste bin near to the access gate to Lions Hill heathland at the Lions Lane end and to provide an additional waste bin on the Castleman Trailway near to the footpath that leads to Elmore Drive.

79.2.4. To investigate and cost a 'St Leonards and St Ives' village announcement sign near to the St Leonards roundabout on land owned by Highways England.

79.2.5. The provision of an electrical supply to Braeside Rec, to support functions held by the Village Hall on the rec. Possible solution is industrial sized extension cables.

79.2.6. To replace the mesh fence around the scout hut area, remove tree stumps and landscape the surrounding land.

79.2.7. To provide a new cycle rack with possible cycle battery charging facility, near to the village hall annex.

RESOLVED: The projects listed at minutes 79.2.1 to 79.2.7 are to be assessed and costed and a report taken back to members for discussion and further approval.

It was agreed that the following project would not be taken further at this stage. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr A Davies, agreed.

79.2.8. Provision of a skatepark within Braeside Rec.

RESOLVED: The provision of a skatepark within Braeside Rec would not be taken further as a CIL funded project.

79.3. Request to Mark out Two New Disabled Parking Bays Closer to the Parish Office. Members supported the request to mark two new parking bays as disabled, which are close to the parish office. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr N Hindmarch, agreed.

RESOLVED: Two parking bays to be marked as disabled near to the parish office.

79.4. Proposed Changes to the electrical distribution board. A recent assessment of the electrical distribution board by an electrical consultant has identified remedial works to improve the way metering is carried out. Proposed by Cllr JB Parker, seconded by Cllr JW Parker, agreed.

RESOLVED: The proposed electrical works as detailed in the electrical consultant's report be carried out for the sum of £680+VAT.

79.5. Proposed Tree Works. A recent inspection of the condition of the trees in Braeside Glade has indicated that four trees should be felled as they

are dead or dying and a fifth tree needs crown lifting and some dead branches removed. Three quotes for the work are being sought. The Clerk requested permission to award the work to the quote that offers the best value for money. Proposed by Cllr A Davies, seconded by Cllr JW Parker, agreed.

RESOLVED: The Clerk is given permission to go ahead with the proposed works to fell the four dead/dying trees and to crown lift a fifth tree and to award the contract to the quote that offers the best value for money.

79.6. Risk Management Assessment. The Clerk presented the updated Risk Management Assessment and explained several amendments that had been made. Members received the Risk Management Assessment. Proposed by Cllr N Reeder, seconded by Cllr A Davies, agreed.

RESOLVED: Members received the updated Risk Management Assessment and approved its contents.

80. Finance:

80.1. Payment Schedules. Members reviewed and approved the schedule of payments for July 2024. A copy of the schedule appears at Appendix A to these minutes in the minute book. Proposed by Cllr N Reeder, seconded by Cllr A Davies. Agreed.

RESOLVED: The schedule of payments for July 2024 was approved.

80.2. Bank Reconciliations. Members reviewed and approved the bank reconciliation for July 2024. A copy of the reconciliation appears as Appendix B to these minutes in the minute book. Proposed by Cllr C Johnson, seconded by Cllr S Cousins. Agreed.

RESOLVED. The bank reconciliation for July 2024 was approved.

80.3. Monthly Budget Report and Nominal Ledger Report. Members noted the Monthly Budget and Nominal Ledger reports.

81. Planning Committee Minutes. Members approved the following Planning Meeting Minutes: 16th May 2024, 27th June 2024 and 18th July 2024. Proposed by Cllr JB Parker, seconded by Cllr A Davies, agreed.

RESOLVED: The minutes of the planning meetings as listed were adopted.

82. Dorset Councillor Reports. Members received and noted Cllr B Goringe's Dorset Council report. Cllr R Bryan updated members on the improved performance of two MVCP activities. He said that in the last year the new Land Rover driving experience was used 7,703 times and provided an income of £61k. The golf course attracted 6,494 golfers and provided an income of £111k. He also said that Avon Park was making good progress.

83. Parish Councillor Reports. Cllr N Reeder informed members that he attended the 'Big Conversation' event in Wimborne recently. Cllr A Davies said he attended the recent DAPTC seminar and informed members that DAPTC intend

to change their status to a Company Ltd by guarantee. This is to reflect their improved practices and to safeguard individuals.

84. Horton Road. The Chair informed members that he met with Cllr Jon Andrews at Horton Road near to the One Stop on Wednesday morning. Cllr Andrews is the new Dorset Council Cabinet Member for Place Services – which includes highways, waste, travel and leisure. Also in attendance was Cllr R Bryan, Dorset Council ward member, two highways’ officers, the Clerk, Cllr S Marshall and a resident. Horton Road safety was discussed. The DC report on Horton Road safety is complete but cannot be released until the coroner’s report on the recent fatality has been released. It is not known when this will happen.

85. Broadband Improvement. A Broadband Improvement Working Group has been established. It will aim to recruit two residents to join it. Its first meeting will be on Thu 5th September.

86. Exchange of Information.

86.1. Next meeting of Full Council is at 7pm on Wednesday 25th September 2024.

Meeting finished at 9pm

Chair