Minutes of the meeting of Newton Longville Parish Council held on 20th December 2021

Present: Cllrs Whipp (chair), Chapman (vice-chair), Collinge, Hunter, Watkins and Welch...

In attendance: Mike Galloway, Clerk to the Council, 1 member of the public in person and one online..

111/21 Apologies

Cllrs Coeshall

(Cllr Iain Macpherson, Buckinghamshire Council)

112/21 Disclosures of interest

None.

113/21 Announcements

None.

114/21 Minutes

Resolved the minutes of the meeting on 15th November be signed as a correct record.

To consider adopting policy on procedure to be followed for all attending in person, including a requirement to undertake a COVID Lateral Flow Test before the meeting.

It was resolved that that the draft policy as circulated on the procedure to be followed by all attending parish council meetings in person be adopted.

The policy is to continue until revoked at a later meeting.

This policy does not override any specific legal requirement that may conflict with this policy.

Policy as agreed appended to minutes.

To consider delegating to clerk to make decisions on planning applications and associated matters if a response is considered appropriate before a parish council meeting may be held. Such responses to be made in consultation with Chair and Vice-Chair.

Resolved that the clerk be delegated authority to make decisions on planning applications, licensing applications, other consultations and associated matters if a response is necessary or considered appropriate before a parish council meeting may be held.

Such responses to be made in consultation with Chair and Vice-Chair or any two councillors if the Chair and Vice-Chair are not available.

117/21 Buckinghamshire Councillors update

None present.

Cllr Whipp gave a brief update from Cllr lain Macpherson.

118/21 Public Involvement

None (dealt with under agenda item).

Planning and Highways

119/21 Planning application: 21/04349/APP

For: Demolition of porch, chimney and garage. Erection of single storey side and front extension to include roof lanterns

At: 17 Warners Road, Newton Longville, MK17 0BL

Having heard from the applicant and reviewed the objections submitted, it was resolved to object due to the scale of the proposed development and visual impact on neighbouring properties. If not to be refused by delegated decision it should be referred to committee.

Delegated to Clerk in consultation with Chair and Vice-Chair to submit objection drawing on the reasons given for refusal of application 21/02181/APP and any other material planning considerations.

Issues to also be raised with Buckinghshire Council that the application was validated despite the poor quality and inappropriate scale of the plans submitted.

120/21 Planning application: 20/03539/APP

For: Installation of a gas tanker off-loading facility for injection of renewable gas into the national gas distribution network

At: SGN Gas Depot, Bletchley Road, Newton Longville

By: Bawden Energy Limited

Verbal and written update noted. This response is solely to the current consultation by Buckinghamshire Council and not on the principle of the development which is being pursued separately.

Delegated to Clerk in consultation with Chair and Vice-Chair to submit response to consultation after discussion with West Bletchley Council to co-ordinate responses.

Response to be based on the following:

- That neither of the two options are considered to be appropriate and would be very difficult to enforce.
- Whichever direction is used by HGVs they will go past houses in Newton Longville and Bletchley as there are houses on both sides of the entrance to the site.
- That all incoming HGV traffic should enter from one direction and egress in the other direction.
- That from a safety point of view it is likely to be better that entry is from the
 east (Newton Road and under rail bridge) which is a right turn into the site;
 and egress is from the west (Bletchley Road and through crossroads) which
 is a right turn out of the site.

121/21 Planning application: 21/04599/APP

For: Single storey front extension

At: 5 Elm Close, Newton Longville, MK17 0DB

Resolved: No objection.

122/21 East West Rail – update on current issues and make any necessary decisions.

Written and verbal update from Cllr Chapman noted.

Noted that it has been agreed with Buckinghamshire Council that the EWR drop-in will be held on 25th January 2022 from 3 to 7 pm at the Free Church, which has been booked.

This is to replace the drop-in on 30 November which unfortunately had to be postponed EWR have still to confirm that they can make that date and it will also be dependent on the COVID-19 situation.

Property

123/21 To consider making a response to DEFRA consultation proposed changes to Environmental Permitting Regulations (Closing date 22nd December).

Resolved to submit a response to the proposals raising concerns in relation to graves based on the submission by NALC.

Finance

124/21 To consider grant applications.

None.

125/21 To consider level of precept for 2022/23 (to be set at meeting in January)

To consult in a special Village Pump Extra edition, ahead of the January edition of the Village Pump, on potential precept level for 2022/23 (and also promote on website and Facebook) based on three alternatives.

Draft of consultation to be circulated to all councillors.

To agree accounts and payments in line with presentation of invoices for payment and any payments made between meetings. To consider BCR.

Accounts approved. Payments made between meetings noted. Invoices for payment approved.

There bei	ng no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 20:25.
Signed:	Date:

Newton Longville Parish Council

Procedure for all attending PC meetings during Coronavirus pandemic

- The Parish Council will ensure hand sanitiser is available for use before entering the room being used for the meeting.
- The Parish Council will arrange seating so that people are, where possible, not sat face to face and at least two metres apart.
- All members of the public attending the meeting in person should complete the attendance register.
- Parish Council members and staff must wear a face covering throughout the meeting, including when speaking, unless legally exempt from wearing a face covering.
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- All attending the Parish Council meetings in person should take a Lateral Flow Test before attending the meeting.
- Anyone displaying symptoms, tested positive, awaiting the result of a PCR test, or returned from abroad in last 14 days etc should not attend the meeting in person..

Policy adopted at NLPC meeting on 20th December 2021

To remain in force until revoked at a later meeting.

Note this policy does not override any specific legal requirement that may conflict with this policy.