

## LONG COMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 7pm at Long Compton Village Hall

**Present:** Cllrs Bing (Chair), Cook, Billins & Wright; District Cllr Whalley-Hoggins and 2 members of the public

**1. Apologies: Cllr Sparrow and** County Cllr Barker

**2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest** None

**3. To approve the Minutes of Parish Council meeting 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024**  
Proposed by Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor Cook and carried

**4. Matters Arising** None

**5. Public Forum**

A parishioner wanted to bring to the Councils attention the 5 freedoms in regards to animal welfare and suggested this could be written to any future tenancy agreements for parish land going forward

Residents of Weston Court have asked if the Parish Council can assist with 'slow! Children Playing' signs. Cllr Billins has offered to follow up with highways to look at issues of liability and feasibility.

The Parish Council have received a number of complaints in regards to food waste and a burning barrel at the land at Weston Court. The Parish Council will follow this up directly with the tenant

**6. Reports from the District and County Councillors**

District Cllr Whalley-Hoggins spoke about required housing numbers and will update the Parish Council at the next meeting on this further. District Cllr Whalley-Hoggins discussed the outcomes from the full budget meeting saying she made numerous requests but many were rejected.

A request was made for 2 million pounds for flood defences to protect properties. This was a recorded vote so parishioners are able to see who voted for what

There has been a change in plans for the Stratford Christmas markets which should help manage traffic and crowds

**7. Planning**

**New Applications:**

24/00350/TREE – Willow – Cherington House – No objection, refer to aboroculturalist

24/00348/FREE – Willow – Nethercote Meadow - No objection, refer to aboroculturalist

**Existing Applications:**

**8. Finance**

a. To approve the Budget Tracker and Bank Reconciliation

Proposed by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor Wright and carried

b. To approve payments as listed plus extra payment as follows

Proposed by Councillor Billins, seconded by Councillor Wright and carried

c. **Budget for 2024/25**

The Parish Council discussed priorities for the next financial year and will look at costs for these

Contribution towards churchyard mowing to remain as it was. Proposed by Cllr Bing and all in favour

Budget was agreed in principle

**9. Village matters**

i. **Floods** – Cllr Wright has had no response in regards to requests for drain clearance so will follow up with highways

Flood watch group working well

ii. **Highways** – The three commissioning forms have been returned with potential costs attached. The Parish Council will look at these and see which should be priorities for 2024/25

**10. Urgent information for Councillors and Items for the next Agenda**

None

