

## LIGHTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of The Ordinary Meeting of Lighthorne Parish Council - Held at Lighthorne Village Hall -  
On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025 At 6.45pm

**PRESENT:** Parish Councillors: Cllr Lewis, Cllr Driver, Cllr Hickman & Cllr Thomas.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 1 member of the public.

**1. Apologies.**

Cllr Reynolds, Cllr Eason, Cllr Parry (SDC) & Cllr Mills (WCC).

**2. Declarations of interests and consideration of dispensation requests**

None.

**3. Acceptance of minutes from September.**

The minutes were agreed.

**4. Public Participation**

A member of Khalsa Cricket Team attended to update LPC on their activities at the Pavilion. They had erected the storage shed at the far end of the outfield but it was blown down and damaged in storm Amy, they are repairing it. The season has ended, so the wicket is netted off to treat and maintain the grass. They have a quote for hedge cutting which LPC will be responsible for (same price as last year £400 + vat). They have a company undertaking verti draining on the outfield to improve drainage. They will liaise with Café re any outstanding payment for electricity used during the season. *Item closed.*

**5. To consider starting 9<sup>th</sup> December meeting at 6pm.**

It was agreed that there would be no meeting in December. *Item closed.*

**6. To consider the car park at the Pavilion.**

There is an area behind the crate / Klargester which was going to be overspill parking. There were no issues with parking this season and it was felt that with the extra 4 spaces which would be provided once the crate was gone, that no extra parking was needed. The area behind the crate / Klargester could, therefore, be given over to the Pavilion Woods group who plan to cut it back and then plant it appropriately. *Item closed.*

**7. Matters arising from the minutes and previous meetings**

**a. To consider LPC's response to the issue of Primary Healthcare at GLH.**

The go ahead has been given for a temporary GP service pending the permanent facility.  
*Carried forward.*

**b. Neighbourhood Plan update.**

Nothing further to update at this time. *Carried forward.*

**c. Update regarding Severn Trent works on Moreton Morrell Lane.**

WCC and Severn Trent have agreed the costings for the works on MM Lane, this is now to be authorised by 7Trent finances and WCC will let us know when the works will take place.  
*Carried forward.*

**d. Update from WCC Highways regarding clearance of obstructive over growth on Post Office Lane.**

WCC attended Post Office Lane and spoke to Cllr Thomas and the resident. The resident has been instructed to cut back over growth to his wall and the boundary. *Carried forward.*

**e. To consider any action required following flooding on 22<sup>nd</sup> March.**

Flood Management Team at WCC are holding a consultation/advice event at the Village Hall on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October from 4:30 to 6:30pm. All affected home owners have been notified directly. All welcome to attend. *Carried forward.*

**f. To consider cutting back the trees in the playground (overhanging Mountford Rise).**

The original tree surgeon asked to view the trees and quote for necessary cutting back has not been able to assist due to being too busy – Clerk will instruct local tree surgeon instead. *Carried forward.*

**g. To consider applying for a grant to install solar panels at the pavilion.**

Clerk has obtained 3 quotes and applied for a grant of up to £10,000 – we were unsuccessful on the first round. Clerk to apply again. LPC would need to prepare a document regarding any solar installation, to cover justification, risk etc. *Carried forward.*

## **8. Planning**

**a. Applications for comment since last meeting**

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|-----|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| i.  | 25/02229/TREE | Barn Cottage | Fell Scots Pine |
| ii. | 25/02387/TREE | Old Rectory  | Reduce a poplar |

**b. Decisions to note since last meeting**

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|----|--------------|-----------------|---------|
| i. | 25/01624/FUL | The Saxon House | Granted |
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**c. Enforcement.**

## **9. Parish Council Reports – To receive reports on:**

- a. Playground – Further tidy/cut back over coming weeks.

## **10. Reports from Ward Representatives of SDC and WCC – on website.**

## **11. Financial Administration**

**a. Lighthorne cash book balances at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

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|-----|----------------------------|-----------|
| i.  | Current account            | £16240.77 |
| ii. | Allocated reserves account | £16595.37 |
|     | Total                      | £32836.14 |

**b. Income for September**

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|-----|-----------------------------------|---------|
| i.  | September rent from Pavilion Café | £740.00 |
| ii. | Precept                           | £8000   |

**c. Expenditure for September**

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|------|---------------------------------|---------|
| i.   | Clerks wages 30 hours at £18.05 | £541.66 |
| ii.  | Bank charges September          | £4.25   |
| iii. | Water (September)               | £142.00 |

iv.	Electricity (12 Sept)	£116.29
v.	Electricity (9 Sept)	£1.44
vi.	Nick Jenvey – 8 & 9 Sept	£572.00
vii.	Lighthorne Tree Care – Emergency tree works	£680.00

d. Agreeing accounts for payment

## 12. Correspondence.

Many thanks to everyone who helped cut back The Broadwell on 11<sup>th</sup> October. Thanks to this month's litter picking team. *Item closed.*

## 13. Other reports and items for future agendas.

None.

14. **Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 6:45pm.

**MEETING CLOSES at 7:17pm**