

Letcombe Regis Parish Council

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**You are hereby summoned to Letcombe Regis Parish Council Meeting
on Monday 18th March 2024 starting at 7.00pm in the Warborough Room of the Village Hall**

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence:**
2. **Declarations of Interest:**
3. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 15th January 2024:**

Actions arising from the minutes

- i) **Report from the Potholes and Roads discussion with Cllr Gant Portfolio holder at Oxford County Council (OCC)**
email from D Cllr Barrow forwarded to councillors 27 February for information and comment.
 - ii) **New Hedging for the Burial Ground**
Planting completed week ending the 23rd February
The roses and Lavender will be planted in March subject to weather conditions.
 - iii) **Review of the Community Led Plan (CLP) published 2016**
Update from Cllr Batchelor
 - iv) **Biodiversity Duty for Town and Parish Councils**
Update from Cllr Lapsley.
 - v) **Village Maintenance update from Cllrs Griffin and Lundie**
4. **County Council Matters:**
(Bethia Thomas Cllr for Faringdon is currently standing in for Yvonne and I have emailed her twice with no reply) The one outstanding item is removal of the tree from the triangle on the grass triangle at the north end of Warborough Road. Would the Trustees be interested in this being used to replace one of the Ash trees, which have the Ash dieback virus, that are by the tennis courts on the recreation ground.

5. District Council Matters:

- i) Update on Speed Mitigation.
- ii) Update on flooding.
- iii) Update on Wantage Hospital.

6. Parish Council Matters:

- i) Cllr Batchelor update on the Telecoms Proposal from NetCS Meeting with the PCC on Monday 26th February 2024.

- ii) To discuss the following email received from Bruce Claxton of Richmond.

Email Message: "Over the last twelve years to my personal knowledge Wantage Road has been flooded requiring motorists to make numerous point turns and then leave the village via Challow Hill. My question to the Council is: "Whereas Letcombe Regis Parish Council (LRPC) may not have the power or right, that being reserved to the Highways Authority and/or Police to close any road for any cause, I believe LRPC should seek to obtain a delegated power or right to take possession or ownership of a portable triangular roadway traffic sign with the single word 'flood' (the sign) to be displayed at the junction of Wantage Road and Challow Hill to warn motorists that the road is flooded at such time that the road becomes impassable for ordinary traffic. Further that LRPC delegates to its Responsible Officer the obligation to display the sign when a flood condition occurs and to keep that sign in place until the flood has subsided?"

Please advise that the question will be put to LRPC at its next meeting and that I be invited to attend such meeting and be allowed to speak to it. Five minutes allowed for the proposal.

- iii) The following have been updated and are brought to the meeting for approval
Safeguarding policy March 2024.
Letcombe Regis Community Emergency Plan for the Website March 2024. (GDPR version)

7. Councillor Updates:

All - holiday dates please

Cllr Barber - Burial Ground sign - replace or repair

Cllr Lundie - Trustees Update

Cllr Batchelor - Fete 2005

Update on the date in May 2005. The early May Bank holiday is May 5th and the Late May Bank holiday is the 26th. (Nb school half term is May 26th to 30th incl.)

8. Financial Matters:

- i) Clerks report
- ii) Ratification of invoices (see last page of Agenda)
- iii) Summary of costs to date against budget
- iv) Grant requests
- v) The following have been updated and are brought to the meeting for approval
Safeguarding policy March 2024 for Approval

Letcombe Regis Community Emergency Plan for the Website (GDPR version).
Letcombe Regis Community Emergency Plan for Group members

9. Planning Applications:

P23/V2513/MPO, Antwicks Stud, Letcombe Regis, OX12 9JD

Removal of legal obligation related to Antwick Stud dated 11/02/1980.

Start Consultation Period 10th November, End Consultation Period 8th November, Target
Decision Date changed to 1st March 2024. **Application Approved**

*The Parish Council comments can be seen on the VOWH Website or the Minutes for
January 2024*

P23/V2803/HH, Lendorena, Anvil Lane, Letcombe Regis, Wantage OX12 9LA.

Proposed thermal upgrade to existing bungalow property with new first floor loft conversion
and ground floor plant room extension. Works include external wall insulation to walls,
creation of warm roof, replacement of all external windows and doors with triple glazing,
replacement of fossil fuel boiler with new renewable energy heat pumps and installation of
new photovoltaic panels. **Application Withdrawn**

Any Planning Application received after the publication of the Agenda

10. Dates approved by the PC but subject to change

2024 - 20th May Annual Parish Meeting to be followed by the Annual Parish Council
Meeting, 15th July, 16th September, 18th November

2025 - 20th January, 17th March.

Elizabeth Jenkins
Parish Clerk
10th March 2024

Payments made up to the publication of the Agenda on the 12th March 2023

	Current Account	£
Direct Debit	PC Mobile	7.00

Bill Payments	*Dr AM Light - electricity allowance for Defibrillator*	60.00
	Mr P Hodgson - electricity allowance for Defibrillator	60.00
	Village hall - electricity allowance for Defibrillator	60.00
	Hall Hire (Sept & Dec 2023) invoice	35.00
	Letcombe Brook Project	700.00
	OALC Training (Biodiversity course)	60.00
	David Barber for Christmas tree Dec 2023	79.99
	Clerks salary for December (including backpay from April 1 st)	604.90
	PAYE	121.10
	Bank charges to 30 Dec	16.00
	Clerks salary for January	434.54
	PAYE for January	78.80
	First for Safety – Emergency First Aid in the Workplace	709.20
	Kingsdown Nurseries - Beech whips and Lavender plants	597.38
	Clerks salary for February	395.10
	PAYE for February	68.80
Cheque 200699	Playdale invoice 0000053700	1,368.99
Cheque 200700	Playdale invoice 0000053704	10,909.67

VISA	Squarespace website charge	204.00
	123-Reg	38.38
	Amazon - Printer paper, calculator roll, cartridges, sellotape	189.18

* The above items were originally made out for payment by cheque but as the PC is can now pay by internet banking the cheques have been cancelled and the payment made over the internet.*