

## LUDGERSHALL TOWN COUNCIL



### Minutes of Ludgershall Town Council meeting held in the Scout Hall, Chapel Lane, Ludgershall on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7-00pm.

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr M Giles in the Chair	Cllr CA Allan
	Cllr V Dixon	Cllr O White
	Cllr AKJ Pickernell	Cllr C Giles
	Cllr J Hollis	Cllr J White
	Cllr D Downie	Cllr N Allingham
	Cllr B Dance	Cllr J Langley
	Cllr M Williams	Cllr CD Allan
<b>Representative:</b>	Wiltshire Council Cllr C Williams	WO1 RSM L Bull 26 Engr Regt
<b>Public:</b>	There were 3 members of the public	

	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
<b>24/18-19</b>	<b>1. Apologies</b> were received and accepted from Cllr B Cordery (Personal).	
<b>25/18-19</b>	<b>2. Declaration of Interests</b> – Cllrs AKJ Pickernell & CA Allen declared an interest in agenda point 13.	
<b>26/18-19</b>	<b>3. General Public – Questions</b> – A member of the public asked if anything had been done with the problem re the footpath behind the school. Aster have been weed killing up to the school but not further. There is still contention on who actually owns this pathway. Clerk is going to write to the MOD, because it backs onto their land, but needs a contact name. Committee asked Clerk to contact the Garrison Commander. Thanks were given from residents of Ludgershall for the well-organized fete. Cllr B Dance thanked the resident that asked the question for his help on the day and thanks to all the residents of Ludgershall who came out and supported the fete.	Clerk
<b>27/18-19</b>	<b>4. Chairman's Report</b> – on the 14 <sup>th</sup> May the Chairman attended a fruitful area board meeting, then on 22 <sup>nd</sup> May himself and the Vice Chair attended a Mayors Market Town Forum which yielded good ideas and information will be passed on to LTC from future meetings. 1 <sup>st</sup> June the Chairman attended TCAP which passes information from Wiltshire Council on to the local councils. The Vice Chair attended an Education Thematic Group where the shortfall of funds for teachers was discussed. They spoke with Baroness Jane Scott, leader of Wiltshire Council who in turn spoke with Claire Perry MP about the	

	problem and £2 million will be available to use over the next 2-3 years.	
<b>28/18-19</b>	<b>5. <u>Police Report</u></b> – The report had been circulated, the Clerk asked if LTC would like to put the information about tackling ‘County Lines’ drug problems on Facebook, all agreed. There had been 4 thefts, 4 assaults and 1 public order offence over the last month. The Clerk informed LTC that Ludgershall would be getting a new PCSO in July.	Clerk
<b>29/18-19</b>	<b>6. <u>26 Engineer Regiment</u></b> – The troops in Estonia are turning over soon, this will continue for the next 16 months. 90 troops came back from Canada from a 38 day exercise, and 70 soldiers are going up to Scotland for the Sapper Games, this helps morale retention. In addition they have a female boxer through to semifinals in Bulgaria. On 30 <sup>th</sup> June is Tidworth Armed Forces day. The camp is still undergoing major works with large vehicle movement, they are trying to keep this away from the general population as best they can. Lastly 26 want to thank LTC and the Town of Ludgershall for the fantastic reception they had at the fete. The soldiers that attended all enjoyed the day and this was great for community engagement and future recruitment.	
<b>30/18-19</b>	<b>7. <u>Wiltshire Council – Report by Cllr C. Williams</u></b> – Thanked & congratulated LTC on a thoroughly enjoyable Summer Fete. Wiltshire Council are still concerned with Salisbury and the rejuvenation of the area. There is a new look adult services. Notices received ref. Everleigh recycling centre (Clerk has forwarded to LTC), consultation is open about closure of the centre. The temp traffic lights on Tidworth Road will be relooked at, it is a 4 way light at the moment, it will go down to 3 and then be finishing at end of year. Tidworth Leisure Centre will be being refurbished and will be closed 23 <sup>rd</sup> July to 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept, Wiltshire Council will be sending info out and promoting alternatives. Cllr AKJ Pickernell asked whether Wiltshire Council would be allocating funds to support the staff that had been taken from more local companies. Wiltshire Council will be working out and ensure no one is out of pocket.	
<b>31/18-19</b>	<b>8. <u>Minutes of the previous meeting held 08/05/18</u></b> – The minutes have been circulated. Cllr CD Allan proposed they be accepted, Cllr J Langley seconded, carried.	
<b>32/18-19</b>	<b>9. <u>Resolution to accept retrospective amendment to minute point 153/17-18</u></b> – the amendment had been circulated, Cllr V Dixon proposed, Cllr CA Allan seconded, carried.	
<b>33/18-19</b>	<b>10. <u>Correspondence a) Cllrs Briefing Notes No. 349 - 357</u></b> – there does appear to have been a lot of these lately, they are all available on the Wiltshire Council website, committee discussed. Decided Clerk will email on receipt rather than wait for FTC. <b>b) All newsletters and reports are available to view in the office.</b>	
<b>34/18-19</b>	<b>11. <u>Committee Reports</u></b> <b>Civic Events held 11/05/18</b> – Cllr CA Allan thanked all that helped on	

	<p>the day, Cllrs M &amp; C Giles, CD Allan, B Cordery, B Dance, J Hollis, J Langely, CD Allan, N Allingham, V Dixon &amp; Mr A Dixon, Mr J McConnell and the Clerk. She also thanked 26 Engineers &amp; Castledown FM and any other helpers. At the moment LTC raised £878.57 from the fete which will go towards better equipment and future events. Cllr C Giles proposed the minutes be accepted, Cllr B Dance seconded, carried.</p> <p><b>Allotment, Car park &amp; Cemetery held 15/05/18</b> – Cllr CA Allan proposed the minutes be accepted, Cllr B Dance seconded, carried.</p> <p><b>Recreation Leisure &amp; Environment held 21/05/18</b> – Cllr C Giles proposed the minutes be accepted, Cllr N Allingham seconded, carried.</p> <p><b>Finance &amp; Policy held 30/05/18</b> – Cllr AKJ Pickernell proposed the minutes be accepted, Cllr J Hollis seconded, carried.</p>	
<b>35/18-19</b>	<p><b>12. Grant Requests</b> – for Garden Club, St James Church &amp; Ludgershall Sports FC have been discussed and minuted at Finance &amp; Policy, minutes have been ratified under agenda point 11 above, therefore, FTC have agreed payment. Clerk to arrange payment.</p>	Clerk
<b>36/18-19</b>	<p><b>13. Bills for Payment</b> – Cllr CD Allan proposed, Cllr B Dance seconded, carried.</p>	Clerk
<b>37/18-19</b>	<p><b>14. Internal Audit Report</b> – had been circulated, all recommendations from October’s internal audit have been completed or explained and the Internal Auditors are happy, no recommendations to go forward with.</p>	
<b>38/18-19</b>	<p><b>15. Resolution to adopt the latest overall Risk Assessments on LTC’s Assets</b> – The assessment had been circulated - Cllr CD Allan proposed, Cllr C Giles seconded, carried.</p>	
<b>39/18-19</b>	<p><b>16. Resolution to adopt the Annual Governance Statement 2017/18 in Annual Return</b> – the statement had been circulated - Cllr J Hollis proposed the resolution, Cllr CA Allan seconded, carried.</p>	
<b>40/18-19</b>	<p><b>17. Resolution to adopt the Accounting Statement 2017/18 in the Annual Return</b> – the statement and year end accounts had been circulated - Cllr J Langley proposed the resolution, Cllr N Allingham seconded, carried.</p>	
<b>41/18-19</b>	<p><b>18. Update on Railway from: a) Steering Group Representative</b> – Cllr O White gave a brief talk on the history of the steering group. It originally started as a group trying to get a Heritage line to come to Ludgershall, bringing in tourists to the castle, church and establishments. However the run through to Ludgershall is not one of the most beautiful parts of the world and it was suggested to try for a commuter line instead, from Andover to Ludgershall. As there is no platform/station this was difficult until help from MP Claire Perry brought the necessary interest in from LEPs and other organizations. At that time it was then muted to go further and have a timetable that joins up to London or Reading. Looking to the future over the next 5 to 10 years Ludgershall will be growing, with 3 or 4 sites of development and a new primary school. The dynamics are going to change. Also</p>	

	<p>Tidworth is seeing a large influx. Basically the steering group has only scratched the service.</p> <p><b>b) Wiltshire Cllr</b> – Cllr C Williams said that there have been statements that this is part of Wiltshire Council’s strategy, but it is not. Cllr H Prickett, who is the Portfolio Holder for Transport within Wiltshire Council, has said the following: SWLEP is prepared to support in principle but as only 1 mile is within Wiltshire, their contribution would be minimal, there are no funds currently available to support the project. If the reopening is to be pushed forward then the project needs Enterprise M3 LEP support. Also SW Trains via Mr Chris Loder was keen to promote the service however SW Trains have changed and his successor has yet to be included in talks. Cllr Prickett is committed to promoting the line and would like to be kept up-to-date in future developments.</p> <p><b>c) Discussions</b> – Cllr AKJ Pickernell asked where it goes from now, what does Ludgershall want. Heritage or mainline? Cllr C Williams said that the steering group need the support of LTC with the project and the stumbling block appears to be Hampshire LEP. LTC needs to look forward. Cllr M Giles said he had been informed that this was to help relieve pressure elsewhere such as Swindon, why should Ludgershall do that? The Committee discussed heritage or mainline. Heritage would bring people to Ludgershall, mainline will take away and mean that cars of travelers would be left in Ludgershall causing a similar problem that Grateley have, however it is thinking of the future. Heritage would need to be run by local groups and will be at a large cost. Mainline would be paid by government. Cllr C Williams said LTC should support in principle leaving the door open for the future, someone has to get the ball rolling. Cllr M Giles called for a vote, 6 voted for the heritage line, 4 voted for mainline, with 4 non votes.</p>	
<p><b>42/18-19</b></p>	<p><b>19. <u>Update on Emails/Tablets for Cllrs</u></b> – the Clerk reminded Cllrs of last month’s discussion on Email policy. As part of the changes to data protection Cllrs should all have a council email. The emails are ready, but cannot be given until policies are agreed. The Clerk was asked to find out costs of cheap tablets for the Council to distribute to Cllrs for Council use. Council tablets would mean that security would be controlled and regulations adhered to. The best spec cost £79.99, which would total £1200.00, if all Cllrs have one. There was a lengthy discussion, the Chair called for a vote, 5 for, 2 against and 7 abstentions. Clerk to find legal information of what having more abstentions means, also the committee asked the Clerk to get IT support to come in to explain because the abstentions were mainly because of lack of understanding.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p><b>43/18-19</b></p>	<p><b>20. <u>Covenant on Parnham’s land</u></b> – the Clerk and Cllr N Allingham have looked through archives and cannot find the stated covenant. They did find mention of it and because BSI solicitors were involved the</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

	Clerk will speak to them. The land was sold stating that no buildings would occur on the land. Parnham Coaches would need to pay a fee to relieve them of this covenant if they are selling for redevelopment. Cllrs have seen the plot up for sale including this part of the land. Once the covenant is found Clerk to get Solicitor to write to Parnham Coaches to confirm this.	
<b>44/18-19</b>	<b>21. <u>Agenda Points for next month</u></b> – Cllr B Dance stated the Castle Street green area looked a mess where it had been cut haphazardly. Clerk will put on RLE agenda. Cllr J White asked why the Standing Orders were not on this agenda as agreed in Finance & Policy, unfortunately since that meeting a new Standing Order template has been sent to the Clerk, and it will therefore be coming back to F&P next month.	Clerk  Clerk

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.28pm, the next meeting will be on 10th July 2018, 7pm at the Scout Hall, Chapel Lane, Ludgershall.

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