

LUDGERSHALL TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of Ludgershall Town Council meeting held in the Scout Hall, Chapel Lane, Ludgershall on Tuesday 14th January 2020 at 7-00pm.

Present:	Cllr M Giles in the Chair	Cllr B Cordery
	Cllr V Dixon	Cllr C Giles
	Cllr N Allingham	Cllr O White
	Cllr M Williams	Cllr CA Allan
	Cllr B Dance	Cllr J White
	Cllr J McConnell	Cllr J Langley
	Cllr AKJ Pickernell	
Representatives:	Sgt Mjr Mark Richardson – 26 Eng Reg	Cllr C Williams - Wiltshire Council
	PCSO – J Akehurst	Rev T Laundon – St James Church
Public:	1 members of the public	

	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
	Before the meeting started a minutes silence was held to respect the recent passing of Allan Gardner, a previous Vice-chair of LTC.	
170/19-20	1. Apologies – were received from Cllr D Downie and Cllr CD Allan. The committee resolved to accept these apologies and record under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 40.	
171/19-20	2. Declaration of Interests – there were none.	
172/19-20	3. General Public – Questions – no public questions.	
173/19-20	4. Chairman’s Report – He attended RSM L Bulls funeral on LTC’s behalf, which was well supported. He also went to a symposium for the Nepalese community in Tidworth and Ludgershall to show what was available in the area, along with police, fire service etc. this is to help with their integration.	
174/19-20	5. Police Report – PCSO J Akehurst reported that Christmas and New Year were relatively quiet. There has been 3 thefts and 1 attempted theft. They have also targeted the rural areas and arrested 3 men and impounded vehicles regarding hare coursing. It was a large-scale operation working in partnership with the Military and 28 volunteers. A Cllr asked why such a large operation was needed for this, the radiating problems that occur due to this type of crime make it a necessity.	
175/19-20	6. St James’ Church report –Rev Tim Laundon reported that there were several well attended services over the Christmas period. He was proud that the Church organized a meal on Christmas day for those in the parish who were on their own. The pastoral visiting team	

	met with Community Engagement Manager and others to try to integrate in with the local GP practice. He has met with the 26 Squadron Commander regarding mental resilience; community engagement helps with this and if any volunteering opportunities in the local area become available please let them know. The church has dates for events in 2020 and asked to coordinate with LTC, Clerk will liaise.	Clerk
176/19-20	7. <u>26 Engineer Regiment report</u> – Sgt Mjr Mark Richardson informed that the regiment is now back from leave. Three squadrons are off to Germany and 30 squadron are possibly off to Papua New Guinea.	
177/19-20	8. <u>Garrison Engagement report</u> – Lt Col Nick Turner sent his apologies, there were no questions for him.	
178/19-20	9. <u>Wiltshire Council report</u> – Cllr C Williams reported that Wiltshire Council has been quiet over the last month. He thanked Cllr N Allingham for attending the CATG meeting on the 2 issues that had been raised. The 30mph sign on New Drove was put up by the builders of Granby Gardens and will be removed. The roads within Granby Gardens are not adopted by Wiltshire Council yet. The parking on Simonds Road is a problem - LTC needs to request Yellow Lines but the 20mph zone is enforceable therefore the police can be called. Castle Street Bend, CATG will investigate more signage at approx. £2000, LTC must agree to pay 25% of the costs. The Church yard trees are being surveyed and a plan will be put in place under advice. The Community Grants may have some monies left for Capital Projects for groups within the area and he advises the Youth Centre to apply for a grant under the Youth Grants to help with the repairs to the building.	Clerk
179/19-20	10. <u>Memorial Hall Committee Report</u> – Cllr N Allingham reported that the meeting held on 19 th December 2019 was brief. They have had a new power socket added near the chair store. The recent Barn Dance and Tabletop Sales have been successful, and the bookings are steady. They are also writing a 5-year plan and have discussed the quotes for the re-thatch of Perry's Cottage.	
180/19-20	11. <u>Minutes of the previous meeting held 10/12/19</u> – had been circulated prior to the meeting. With reference to item 17. the Clerk confirmed that Ludgershall Town Council have registered their interest in the 'pot of funding' available from Wiltshire Council in order to help with refurbishment of the Community Building when LTC decide they are taking on. No further comments were made. Cllr J McConnell proposed the minutes, Cllr B Cordery seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41.	
181/19-20	12. <u>Correspondence</u> – The annual invitation to nominate Councillors to attend the Garden Party at Buckingham Palace has been received. Everyone was asked if they would like to nominate someone. Cllr O White proposed that Cllr AKJ Pickernell be put forward as ex Vice-Chair of the Council. All in favour – Clerk to complete the form and	

	return asap.	Clerk
182/19-20	<p>13. <u>Committee Reports – Civic Events held 12/12/19 & 09/01/2020</u> - minutes have been circulated, Cllr B Dance proposed the minutes, Cllr J Langley seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41. Recreation, Leisure & Environment held 16/12/19 have been circulated. Cllr J White advised that the Paths For All meeting is due to be held tomorrow at 7pm. There has not been much interest in this from Ludgershall and a project is needed for the area. This item needs to be added to the agenda for the next RLE meeting. Cllr J White then proposed the minutes, Cllr M Williams seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41. Allotment, Cemetery and Car Park held 17/12/19 have been circulated. Cllr CA Allan proposed the minutes, Cllr N Allingham seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41. Finance & Policy held 02/01/2020 have been circulated. A question was asked re: office hours owed to staff and the Clerk confirmed these are being taken back and not paid as overtime. Cllr J McConnell proposed the minutes, Cllr M Williams seconded. The committee resolved to accept these minutes as a true record, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41. Planning held 07/01/2020 have been circulated Cllr O White proposed the minutes, Cllr N Allingham seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41.</p>	<p>Clerk/Admin</p> <p>Clerk/Admin</p>
183/19-20	<p>14. <u>Bills for Payment</u> - these have been passed to the Committee. Cllr M Giles proposed these bills be paid, Cllr B Cordery seconded, the committee resolved to pay these bills under the LGA 1972 Section 150. Clerk to make payments.</p>	Clerk
184/19-20	<p>15. <u>Internal Audit</u> – The Clerk read the conclusion from the report to the Councillors (this had already been sent by email). The report praises the good work of the RFO/Clerk and the office. Cllr M Williams proposed that the findings be accepted, Cllr N Allingham seconded, all in favour.</p>	Clerk
185/19-20	<p>16. <u>Parnhams Yard</u> – The Clerk updated the Council in relation to the covenant and the future proposed build on the land by Stonewater Housing Association. As they are not acknowledging the covenant the matter has been referred to litigation by LTC Solicitors. Cllr C Williams asked to be kept informed.</p>	
186/19-20	<p>17. <u>Community Building – discuss</u> – It has been reported that Army Welfare have advised DIO that they would like the building if Ludgershall Town Council don't take it. LTC would like written confirmation that they have first refusal on the building (Clerk to obtain from Wiltshire Council). Cllr C Williams advised that he had spoken to Wiltshire Council over Christmas to confirm that LTC do still have an interest in the building. Only an expression of interest has</p>	Clerk

	this will be discussed at RLE next week. It was also reported that the Metro Count on Butt Street had revealed that vehicles are speeding and a request has been made to Wiltshire Police to set up a Community Speedwatch. Clerk to put the statistics on the website and Facebook page and ask for volunteers for this.	
189/19-20	20. <u>Agenda points for next month</u> – Community Building.	

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.08pm, the next meeting will be on **11th February 2020**, 7pm at the Scout Hall, Chapel Lane, Ludgershall.

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