

## LUDGERSHALL TOWN COUNCIL



### Minutes of Ludgershall Town Council meeting held in the Scout Hall, Chapel Lane, Ludgershall on Tuesday 14th March 2017 at 7-00pm.

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr O White in the Chair	Cllr M Giles Vice Chair
	Cllr AJ Pickernell	Cllr B Cordery
	Cllr V Dixon	Cllr K Hall
	Cllr J Hollis	Cllr J White
	Cllr C Giles	Cllr J Langley
<b>Representative:</b>	Cllr C Williams – Wiltshire council	
<b>Public:</b>	4 members of the public	
<b>Absent:</b>	Cllr M Williams	

	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
246/17	<b>1. Apologies</b> were received from Cllr D Downie, Cllr C Steers work.	
247/17	<b>2. Declaration of Interests</b> – Cllr M Giles and Cllr J Hollis declared an interest in item 8.	
248/17	<b>3. General Public – Questions</b> – One resident enquired about, Ludgershall Town council’s proposal to put large rocks on the grass at Castle Street, to stop parking on the grass. The resident complained that he has never seen any parking on the grass and that the stones would make the area look less appealing, and that LTC would need to get permission from the conservation area to put the rocks on the grass. Cllr O White stated that the idea was only a proposal, and had not gone as far as to speak to highways or environmental, and that we would look at alternatives as well as the rocks.	
249/17	<b>4. Chairman’s Report</b> – Thanked councillors, 26 Engrs, area board and residents for their help with the Great British spring clean, it was a big success. Cllr O White attended TCAP Business park meeting, Area board meeting at the Garrison Theatre and meeting with Claire Perry about the railway. 18 months ago, the primary school planted daffodils on Castle Street, they have done a great job and it looks really lovely. Also Cllr O White had a meeting with Lovells based at the old Corunna barracks in Ludgershall and would like to invite them to attend the next Full Town Council meeting, as they are keen to get involved in the community.	
250/17	<b>5. 26 Engineers Regiment – Report by WO1 R Hines</b> – None.	
251/17	<b>6. Wiltshire Council – Report by Cllr C. Williams</b> – Cllr C Williams	

	<p>mentioned Wiltshire Council's, council tax increase. Barroness Scott was very pleased the way Ludgershall have liaised with the Army rebasing to integrate into the town. There is a big crack down on off-road motorcyclists and 4x4s at the moment, especially on Salisbury plain. Military police and police are working together. A Local Youth Network (LYN) has been set up with Wellington academy students. A survey is running about what the students would currently want to happen in the area and the they will work with the youth club when up and running.</p> <p>Cllr C Williams will be putting himself up for re-election. Cllr J Langley was asked by a resident why the council tax is higher in Ludgershall than Tidworth. Cllr C Williams stated that if this is the case, and all figures should be available on the Wiltshire Council Website for all to view. Clerk to have a look into this.</p>	Clerk
252/17	<p><b>7. <u>Police Report</u></b> – Email from Police and crime commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon regarding the police and crime plan 2017-2021. If anyone wants to see it the clerk can send it. Community policing - As many may have seen on the news, a number of police services nationwide have invested in body cams. Wiltshire police are currently trialing this technology, and further to evaluation will look to roll out to frontline officers and staff over spring and summer. In addition they will be supporting a national campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of using a mobile phone while driving and to highlight the changes to legislation that came into effect in March. Current Priorities – Castle Practice have had complaints of ASB. There have been 10 patrols so far, this is being reviewed as complaints have now stopped. Empress way have had complaints of ASB. There have been 12 patrols so far, this is being reviewed as complaints have now stopped. Local Crimes – 1 x ASB, 1 x Drug offence, 1 x Theft, 6 x Violence against a person, 1 x Criminal damage, 2 x Vehicle offences, 1 x Concern for safety, 3 x Domestic and 3 x Road Traffic collisions.</p>	
253/17	<p><b>8. <u>Grant Request – Men's Shed</u></b> –The secretary of the Tidworth and Ludgershall Men's Shed Mike Kelly introduced himself and spoke about what the men's shed is all about. They are part of the UK Men's Shed association. They have already had so much interest in people wanting to attend (They are already at the moment helping out the community and have created a bird hive and begun repairs for Tidworth football club). The Men's Shed will be situated in the building behind the Youth Club and a fence will be put up to divide the area, so that if the youth club runs a crèche it wouldn't effect that. They requested a grant from LTC for £800.00 to help go towards installing electrics into the shed. They were quoted £1500.00 for the works from a registered electrician. As LTC has no money in the grant fund until the end of April, it was suggested that we put this grant through to the next finance meeting to discuss. The clerk requested a copy of the quote.</p>	
254/17	<p><b>9. <u>Minutes of the previous meeting</u></b> – have been circulated. Cllr B Cordery</p>	

	enquired about item 11, asked if anything has happened about this. Cllr A Pickernell has stated that it's an ongoing issue and is in hand. The Chairman proposed the minutes to be a true record and should be signed, Cllr C Giles seconded, carried.	
255/17	<p><b>10. <u>Correspondence</u></b></p> <p><b>a) WALC newsletter</b> – Information given about local elections. Training events coming up – Social media training for councils on the 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Cllr O White and the admin assistant to attend. There is a Good councillors conference in Farnborough on the 26<sup>th</sup> April, no one wishes to attend. Devolution guide – Clerk can email if anyone wants to have a look at this. S137 has been raised to £7.57 per person.</p> <p><b>b) Resident referring to speeding on Andover Road, and suggestions on how to help</b> – Resident on Andover Road complained about the speeding on Andover road. Clerk had given the results of the metro count and reported the state of the roads to Wiltshire Council. The resident has stated that they were happy to raise awareness and try to get funds so that Ludgershall can have a digital speed sign put in place. LTC have looked into this in the past as a joint project with Tidworth Council maintenance costs were deemed too high. Also research shows they are only useful for a short period of time. A question was raised, would lorries take notice at 2am? And who would enforce them after certain hours of the day/night? LTC sympathizes with residents but it isn't something they can do at this moment in time. This is an ongoing issue and LTC will continue to look into ways to help. When the link road is completed, this may alleviate some of the problems.</p> <p><b>c) Stokes Fair</b> – Have asked if they could come and do the fair on the 21st April – 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 – This was agreed, clerk to confirm.</p>	Clerk
256/17	<p><b>11. <u>Committee Reports</u></b></p> <p><b>Finance &amp; Policy Committee</b> – Minutes and bills for payment have been circulated. Cllr J White asked about the pension enrolment and how much LTC has to contribute to this. Clerk stated that Wiltshire Councils pension fund employer contribution rates for 2014-2017 are 21.1% for Ludgershall Town Council of gross salary. Cllr M Giles proposed the minutes, Cllr J Langley seconded.</p> <p><b>Allotment, Cemetery &amp; Car Park Committee</b> – Minutes have been circulated, Cllr AJ Pickernell proposed, Cllr M Giles seconded.</p> <p><b>Recreation, Leisure &amp; Environment</b> – Minutes have been circulated, Cllr K Hall proposed, Cllr C Giles seconded.</p> <p><b>Planning Committee</b>- Minutes have been circulated, Cllr AJ Pickernell proposed, Cllr B Cordery seconded.</p> <p><b>Civic Events Committee</b> – Minutes have been circulated, Cllr M Giles proposed, Cllr J Hollis seconded.</p>	

257/17	<p><b>12. <u>Sale of land at back of Perry's Cottage</u></b> – Public meeting was held on the 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017 to discuss the sale of land behind Perry's cottage. There was 24 in attendance, 19 agreed to the sale and 5 objected. Cllr V Dixon suggested looking at outline planning, it may cost up to £8000 to set up, but it means we could sell the land for more, than without it. A less costly way could be to ask for pre planning advice. Clerk has contacted solicitor to start registering the land.</p>	
258/17	<p><b>13. <u>Defibrillator</u></b> – Cllr A Pickernell has confirmed that the memorial hall committee are happy for the defibrillator to be placed on the front of the memorial hall. Cllr A Pickernell will ask AJK for a quote for installation costs.</p>	
	<p><b>Cllr J Hollis left the meeting</b></p>	
259/17	<p><b>14. <u>Access to LTC office computers, email &amp; passwords – protocol</u></b>- Clerk stated as we have had a lot of change over the past few years with staff, that the computer access passwords should be changed. The password would be put into LTC's safe incase in an event that clerk and admin were off for a long period at the same time, then it would be opened by 2 councillors, committee agreed. Clerk suggested that we have a guest account for the computer to be set up, for access for the Councillors and separate passwords to log onto the email system, so that not just anyone could access it and send out emails on clerks/admins behalf, committee agreed. LTC would like more of a say on what we can and cannot do on LTC's website, as currently we can only put on agendas and minutes, contract needs to be viewed and changed if necessary. Clerk to put all in writing to CystalNet Ltd about the changes LTC wants to make.</p>	
	<p><b>Cllr C Williams left the meeting</b></p>	
260/17	<p><b>15. <u>Chairman's Charity</u></b> – Each year the chairman has a fund for travelling, events and entertainment expenses any monies left over at the end of the financial year, Cllr O White would like to donate to a local charity. The committee agreed.</p>	
261/17	<p><b>16. <u>CATG Issues – Update</u></b> – Sidbury heights Ludgershall – this has now been closed, it's been passed onto highways as it's an ongoing issue. Levell Court, Ludgershall – this has now been closed, the existing footway width prevents any form of barrier to be installed. Wellington Academy sports centre sign ordered.</p>	
262/17	<p><b>17. <u>Self-Guided Tours of Ludgershall</u></b> – Still awaiting on Wellington Academy to get back to LTC. Cllr O White suggested when we have a work experience student helping out in the office, that this would be a good project for them to do. Everyone agreed.</p>	
263/17	<p><b>18. <u>Railway re-instatement</u></b> – Cllr O White attended a meeting with Claire Perry, who showed great enthusiasm and interest for Ludgershall to reopen the railway. Claire Perry is supporting and has set a meeting up with herself, Cllr O White, Network rail, Southwest train WPS, Wiltshire and Hampshire Council, Wiltshire and Hampshire LEPS for 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at Castledown business park. Cllr O White has discovered the original</p>	

	platform is still there. The next steering group is 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2017 to discuss at the May meeting.	
<b>264/17</b>	<b>19. <u>Great British Clean up Success</u></b> - Clerk thanked everyone for attending the event and Area board for providing us with the equipment. Overall 30 people attended, and LTC will look into holding more clean ups.	
<b>265/17</b>	<b>20. <u>Election process &amp; dates update</u></b> - The next FTC will be the last one of the current committee. Notices have been put up. Online packs are now available. Clerk will email the links to councillors and provide with their electoral role numbers on request. WALC has stated that it is not the Clerks responsibility to check the councillors forms, so that the clerk is not deemed accountable for any mistakes that may be made. The closing date for applications will be the 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2017.	
<b>266/17</b>	<b>21. <u>Visit Wiltshire Renewal</u></b> – Membership has been renewed. Last year Ludgershall had over 9716 views. It was agreed that LTC does get a great deal from Visit Wiltshire.	
<b>267/17</b>	<b>22. <u>Work Experience request from Wellington Academy</u></b> - Maria Hablin sent in a request for LTC to have a student in May for work experience. The committee agreed to this.	
<b>268/17</b>	<b>23. <u>Annual Town meeting for the Electorate &amp; changes of other meetings in April</u></b> – Clerk checked that everyone had received the email for change of dates for upcoming meetings. This was agreed.	
<b>269/17</b>	<b>24. Any other business – For information only</b> a) Cllr J White received a letter from Lord-Lt Sarah Troughton thanking her for her years of service as a Town Clerk. And invited Cllr J White to attend the Royal Garden party on 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2017.	

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9.10pm, the next meeting 11th April 2017.

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