

LUDGERSHALL TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of Ludgershall Town Council meeting held in the Scout Hall, Chapel Lane, Ludgershall on Tuesday 8th October 2019 at 7-00pm.

Present:	Cllr M Giles in the Chair	Cllr B Cordery
	Cllr V Dixon	Cllr C Giles
	Cllr AKJ Pickernell	Cllr O White
	Cllr M Williams	Cllr CA Allan
	Cllr N Allingham	Cllr J White
	Cllr J McConnell	Cllr CD Allan
	Cllr J Langley	
Representatives:	WO1 Marc Elliott – 26 Engineer Regiment	Cllr C Williams of Wiltshire Council
	Rev T Laundon – St James’ Church	
Public:	2 x members of the public	

	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
109/19-20	1. Apologies – were received from Cllr B Dance and Cllr D Downie. The committee resolved to accept these apologies and record under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 40.	
110/19-20	2. Declaration of Interests – Cllr J White has a pecuniary interest in item 14 and Cllrs CD Allan and CA Allan in item 13.	
111/19-20	3. General Public – Questions – none.	
112/19-20	4. Chairman’s Report – Cllr M Giles advised he has recently visited Wellington Academy, which he was very impressed with, especially how they are coping looking after the Junior school pupils as well as their own. Overall the pupils were well turned out and showing more discipline. A letter was also read out from the Commanding Officer - Lt Col Will Turner of 26 Engineer Regiment and his wife thanking LTC for hosting the Freedom Parade and commenting on the local support, which was much appreciated.	
113/19-20	5. Police Report – This had been circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting. There have been 2 incidents of criminal damage, 1 burglary, 1 theft and 2 other anti-social behaviour incidents recorded during September 2019. There have also been additional patrols of the Recreation Ground and a temporary metal detector arch was used at Wellington Academy which was well received.	
114/19-20	6. St James’ Church report – Rev Tim Laundon reported that he had recently won the Race the Rector cycling sports event as he was the only person that attended despite some good advertising. A little disappointing, but he hopes to engage more locals and the military	

	<p>next year. The Church are overseeing a new pastoral visiting team and a few weeks ago they welcomed 13 local people to attend training delivered by MacMillan to help support local people living with cancer. They are also helping the Police by way of assisting local victims of fraud and burglary and have a link with Castle Practice/Complex Discharge Teams of local hospitals to be able to arrange welcome home visits to help people settle back in after a hospital stay. There is another MacMillan training session happening shortly so in total there will be a team of around 25 trained people in the area and Rev T Laundon thanked these people (including some Councillors) for volunteering. It is also hoped that a local hustings can take place and he is going to write to the Parliamentary candidates for Tidworth and Ludgershall encourage them to visit and receive questions from local children and adults.</p>	
115/19-20	<p>7. <u>26 Engineer Regiment report</u> – WO1 Marc Elliott thanked LTC and the local community for the Freedom Parade, which he and his soldiers enjoyed very much. He reported that there are teams in Belize training in the jungle, a Squadron has just deployed to South Africa learn about the history and culture and another Squadron are in Estonia and he is due to fly out and visit them next week prior to their return home. The Regimental Boxing evening is being held next month and the preparations for Remembrance Sunday are being finalised.</p>	
116/19-20	<p>8. <u>Garrison Engagement report</u> – Lt Col Nick Turner sent his apologies as he was unable to attend the meeting. Any questions to be forwarded to him through WO1 Elliott. No questions were raised.</p>	
117/19-20	<p>9. <u>Wiltshire Council report</u> – Cllr C. Williams advised that he had also attended the Wellington Academy recently and that Oxenwood (Outdoor Education Facility) previously under treat of closure has been taken on by Community First. The Salisbury Park and Ride Scheme are recommencing charges – £1.50 at present and it will then revert to £3.00. The new posts and signs regarding the 7.5tonne weight limit on Butt Street are continuing to be put up and the office will send the zip file onto the Councillors for them to see the proposed locations of the signs. Cllr N Allingham advised he had spoken to one of the workmen erecting a sign who suggested that we sign up to Lorrywatch if the signs are not successful – Cllr C Williams will investigate how this works. Once the signage is up the restriction will be in force and it will be up to Wiltshire Council to enforce. He also confirmed that he will pass on LTC comments in response to the Planning Application for the Micropub. Cllr AKJ Pickernell advised that at a recent Business Park Management meeting he spoke to an official from Wiltshire Council who advised that they had recently purchased the Phase 3 site but if there is not much interest it could be sold off. LTC want this area to stay for jobs and local people and not be sold for private enterprise or housing. Cllr C Williams confirmed that Wiltshire Council will have to actively market the area for use but</p>	Admin/Clerk

	he will keep an eye on the situation and will back LTC. He also confirmed that Adrian Hampton is waiting for LTC to contact him in relation to devolved services and attending the next meeting of the LTC subcommittee for the 5/10 year plan. The office to arrange next meeting.	Clerk/Admin
118/19-20	10. Memorial Hall Committee Report – Cllr CD Allan updated the Committee. Bookings are remaining steady and it is quite busy. They are currently getting quotes for new windows and to have the foyer refurbished.	
119/19-20	11. Minutes of the previous meeting held 10/9/19 – had been circulated prior to the meeting. No comments were made. Cllr J McConnell 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.	
120/19-20	12. Correspondence – Admin informed that the list of jobs held in the office to be passed to the Sparkle Team next week had been taken by the Parish Steward and most jobs actioned already. She asked the Councillors to provide more items and/or email into the office for them to be added to the list. The sign into Ludgershall from Shoddesdon is broken and there is a concealed bus stop on Biddesden Lane (office to write to home-owner to cut back offending shrubs as not Wiltshire Council’s responsibility). The leaves on the footpath from St James’ Church to Hei-Lin Way need to be cleared along with low branches. A lengthy discussion then continued between Rev T Laundon and a member of the public in relation to this.	Admin
121/19-20	13. Committee Reports – Civic Events held 12/9/19 have been circulated, Cllr J McConnell 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. Cllr CA Allan confirmed that LTC are holding an event next year for VE Day on 8 th May 2020 and Cllr C Williams confirmed that Wiltshire Council are encouraging Community events. Recreation, Leisure & Environment held 16/9/19 have been circulated. Cllr J White 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 17/9/19 have been circulated. Cllr J Langley proposed to the Committee that the Jubilee Gardens be opened for a one month trial. The Committee discussed and Cllr CA Allan seconded, all in favour. Office to arrange for gate to be opened. Cllr N Allingham proposed the minutes, Cllr C Giles seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41. Planning held 10/9/19 have been circulated. Cllr O White 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. Finance & Policy held 2/10/19 have been circulated. The Clerk sought	Admin Admin

	<p>permission to pay Carls Catering the sum of £450 2 weeks prior to the Remembrance Sunday event and the remainder on the day. Clerk to arrange payments. This was proposed by Cllr B Cordery, seconded by Cllr J McConnell. Clerk to make payment. A question was asked about the cost and why china is being used. The Committee felt this was essential as it is a civic event. Cllr B Cordery proposed that the minutes be accepted for approval, Cllr C Giles seconded, all in favour. The committee resolved to accept these minutes as a true record, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41.</p>	Clerk
122/19-20	<p>14. Bills for Payment - these have been passed to the Committee. A Councillor enquired re: the Kingfisher invoice and the Clerk explained it is for advertising in a local visitor guide placed in hotel rooms in Wiltshire. Cllr J McConnell proposed these bills be paid, Cllr M Williams seconded. The committee resolved to pay these bills under the LGA 1972 Section 150. Clerk to make payments.</p>	Clerk
123/19-20	<p>15. Grant Request from Ludgershall Youth Football Club – The request and proposal from the Finance and Policy Committee were discussed. Cllr M Williams proposed that LTC pay 50% of the cost of the away kit only (provided it is no more than had been specified on the Application) directly to the kit providers. This was seconded by Cllr AKJ Pickernell, all in favour. Clerk to advise the Sports Club of the decision.</p>	Clerk
124/19-20	<p>16. Parnhams Covenant update – The Clerk appraised the meeting of the nature of the reply from Stonewater in relation to the covenant (they are questioning any monetary value linked to it). It was agreed that LTC will instruct their Solicitors to deal with the matter and will then obtain a valuation of the covenant using Bowler Oakfield Chartered Surveyors. It was also suggested that all legal costs can be billed to Parnhams/Stonewater Solicitors.</p>	Clerk
125/19-20	<p>17. CATG requests – a) speed limit outside Wellington Academy – reduce from 40 to 30 – requires a review by Wiltshire Council Highways – Full consideration was given to this request and LTC will come together with Tidworth Town Council to try and get the speed limit reduced outside the school. The Councillors support taking the matter to CATG. Another idea is to get a barrier added so children do not spill out of the school and onto the road. This was proposed by Cllr CA Allan, seconded by Cllr N Allingham, all in favour. Office to refer to next CATG meeting. b) Simonds Road to Moynes road, speeding problem – resident letter to Wiltshire Council – The member of the public who had written to Wiltshire Council with details of this issue was present at the meeting. Her letter had previously been circulated to Councillors to read and the Clerk provided photographs of the roads in question. There was much discussion around the issues and the letter details proposals to try and stop cars speeding before a serious accident happens. LTC will support a CATG referral and the member of the public was encouraged to attend the next CATG meeting along with other</p>	Clerk/Admin

	residents to support her case. Office to notify when the next meeting is and arrange attendance.	Clerk/Admin
126/19-20	18. <u>Resolution for the refurbishment of the Recreation Ground Entrance</u> – the Clerk had provided all Councillors with a pack of information regarding the proposals agreed by the Recreation, Leisure and Environment Committee. The Resolution is to take £12000 from the earmarked Recreation Ground Fund, £925 from CIL monies received and £4899.02 from the Capital Expenditure budget (which has £10000.00) to pay for the works at a total cost of £17824.02. This was proposed by Cllr CA Allan, seconded by Cllr B Cordery. 9 Councillors for, 3 against and 1 abstention. Clerk to instruct contractor to proceed with groundworks and order barrier when required.	
127/19-20	19. <u>Agenda points for next month</u> – none	

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.43pm, the next meeting will be on **12th November 2019**, 7pm at the Scout Hall, Chapel Lane, Ludgershall.

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