# LUDDESDOWN PARISH COUNCIL

#### MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL ZOOM MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr Noel Clark Chairman

Cllr Chris Mileson

Cllr Mrs Anne Moorhouse Vice Chairman

Cllr Matt Newnes Cllr Johan Rossouw

Mrs Jo Barker Clerk

#### Item

Minute number 2020/21 Action point

### 1 APOLOGIES

90 Apologies for absence was received from Borough Cllr Tony Rice and PCSO Joanne Hartley

#### 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Ollr Chris Mileson declared an interest with Dode Church, Wrangling Lane, Cllr Noel Clark declared an interest with LROWG.

Cllr Matt Newnes joined the meeting at 7.36pm.

# 3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20th July 2020

It was agreed that the minutes from the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020 will be signed as a true record at the next Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall. This was proposed by Cllr Mileson and seconded by Cllr Anne Moorhouse and all voted in favour.

# 4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA

93 It was agreed that the Clerk Jo Barker would set up a Facebook account on behalf of the Parish Council and trial it for 2 months.

#### 5 CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that due to the confidential nature of the next item, the public and press will be asked to leave the meeting.

- Ollr Clark proposed going into closed session, this was seconded by Cllr Mrs Anne Moorhouse and all voted in favour.
- 95 Members of Luddesdown Parish Council recommended co-opting Johan Rossouw onto the Parish Council. Cllr Clark proposed approval of the recommendation and this was seconded by Cllr Mileson. All voted in favour.

Johan Rossouw was invited to re-join the meeting and duly signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

The meeting then re-opened to members of the public at 7.47pm.

#### SUSPENSION OF THE MEETING FOR PCSO'S REPORT AND BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

PCSO Hartley sent reports through for July and August 2020. There were two crimes to report, theft from Luddesdown Church and theft of tack from Great Buckland. Anti-social behaviour in Wrangling Lane with nuisance vehicles, patrols continue to patrol the byways to deter and educate. Items of good work, nuisance vehicle operation on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> August and fly tipping reported to local authority for collection.

# **Emailed Report from Borough Cllr Tony Rice**

Over the past few months we (myself and parish council chairs, Cllr Bryan Sweetland etc) have been in discussion with KCC about LTC and the rock bottom confidence in their Traffic Model. KCC also lack confidence and therefore commissioned their own local road and study. This work has been done and their consultant's report is now drafted. I have this update from Joseph Ratcliffe at KCC. I will be sure to organise another session on this with PCs.

The Lower Thames Crossing (LTC) local traffic impact study that KCC commissioned is almost complete – we are just going back to the consultants with comments etc before they issue a final report. A meeting of officers (including Gravesham and Dartford) will then be arranged with the consultants to present their technical findings. We hope to do this within the next 4 weeks. We will then be in a position to brief members and I would be more than happy to meet with you as we have done in the past to talk through the report and a strategy moving forward as the Development Consent Order (DCO) application looms closer.

There are no significant updates since the last meeting. I have chased Stuart Alford on his offer to explore pushing the Luddesdown play site up the pecking order for refurbishment. He says he has not yet had a chance to look it at. I will stay on the case.

Cllr Newnes had noticed sometime ago that there was more of a police presence in the area, unfortunately this does not seem to be the case now.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Rice for his report.

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# 6 PLANNING

# 96 a **Applications**:

20200721 – Reynolds Farm, Henley Street, Luddesdown Kent Application for the approval of conditions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 attached to planning permission reference number 20191229 relating to construction within three years of decision, construction in accordance with approved plans, samples of material, excavation details and hard and soft landscaping materials.

20200652 – Dode Church, Wrangling Lane, Luddesdown, Kent DA13 0SF Construction of a circular semi-submerged enclosed columbarium within the grounds of Dode Church

# 97 b **Decisions**

20200721 - Approved by GBC

TM2001318 - Approved by T&MBC subject to conditions

#### 7 FINANCE

#### 99 a Bank Mandate

Due to the current situation all payments will continue where possible to be made via bank transfer by The Clerk.

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100 b	Bank Balances	
	The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.	
101 c	Payments Made Since the Last Meeting	
	Payments made from the Finance Report Appendix B were proposed by Cllr Clark and seconded by Cllr Newnes for the meeting to accept, all voted in favour.	JB
102 d	Accounts for Payment	JB
	None.	JB
8	GRANT APPLICATIONS	ID
103	Cllr Clark noted that grant payments had not been made to Luddesdown Village Hall £350.00, LROWG £75.00 and Parochial Church Council £1400.00. The Clerk to contact each organisation and obtain bank details for payments to be made.	JB
9	RECREATION GROUND	
104	Nothing to report.	
10	HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT	
105 a	Public Rights of Way	
	Nothing to report	
106 b	GBC Transport Panel	
	Cllr Clark was unable to attend the meeting last week. Cllrs Clark and Mileson had looked through the agenda to see if there was anything concerning Luddesdown.	
107 c	Lower Thames Crossing.	NC
	Nothing to report since the consultation. Cllr Clark to send Cllr Rice information on KCC Highways and any issues Luddesdown have.	NC
108 d	Fly tipping	
	Cllr Newnes reported that GBC are very quick to act when fly tipping has occurred and rubbish is cleared away quickly. Cllr Newnes to contact GBC to find out if covert cameras had been put up since the signage was erected.	MN
109 e	Signage	
	Cllr Mileson has almost completed his report. He will send the report on a disc to the Clerk who will then email KCC and include Cllr Bryan Sweetland and Cllr Rice. A separate report will be compiled for new signs suggested by the Parish Council and residents within Luddesdown. Village gates were also discussed to be put up when entering and leaving the village.	CM JB
110 f	Litter Picking	A 4 A 1
	Cllr Newnes suggested an Autumn Clean to take place on Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> October. GBC have offered the use of their litter picking equipment. A list of jobs that need to be carried out around the village needs to be created. The date for the clean will be put on the village WhatsApp group and on the Parish website asking for	MN NC

Item Item Action No volunteers. To keep in line with Government Guidelines groups will be no bigger than 6 people and where possible stay in family groups. Cllr Newnes will order a skip and Cllr Clark will ask the village hall if it can be sited in their car park. If this is not possible Cllr Newnes will contact the Vineyard owners and see if they can site it. Cllr Mileson reported residents not putting their rubbish in appropriate bags/bins and this is causing wildlife to rip open bags and rubbish being strewn along the lanes. Rubbish collectors are unable to pick up all the litter that has blown down the lanes and it's making the area unsightly. It was suggested that a gentle reminder of when to put rubbish out and the containers it should be in could be put on the WhatsApp group. Cllr Newnes to write to GBC for guidance on this matter. 111 g **Other Highways Issues or Transport Matters** JR Cllr Johan Rossouw has noticed the deterioration of the local roads which include pot holes. These need to be reported on the KCC portal and Country Eye. Cllr Rossouw to report. 10 **GBC MEETING OF PARISH CHAIRMEN** Cllr Clark will be attending a meeting of Parish Chairman on Wednesday 16th NC 112 September 2020. 11 KALC/GRAVESHAM AREA COMMITTEE 113 Nothing to report as meetings have been unable to take place due to Covid 19. **CHAIRMAN'S LETTER** 12 114 The Chairman's letter will be discussed at a meeting later in the year. REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS AND CLERK NOT 13 OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA 115 The Clerk had a one to one training session on Web Accessibility which she found extremely useful. 14 **CONSULTATIONS** Cllr Clark sent the parish council members and the Clerk USB's for The London NC 116 Resort Consultation. The USB contained a large amount of interesting information. It was agreed that Cllr Clark will respond on behalf of the Parish Council. Deadline 21st September 2020. White Paper Consultation deadline 15th October 2020. 15 **CORRESPONDENCE** 117 None received. Cllr Rossouw requested a copy of Countryside Charity JΒ correspondence that was received earlier in the year. Clerk to post to his home address. REPORTS AND CIRCULARS 16

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None received.

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