

LUDESDOWN PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 25 MARCH 2019 AT THE VILLAGE HALL,
LUDESDOWN ROAD, LUDESDOWN AT 7.30 pm**

PRESENT: Cllr Noel Clark Chairman
 Cllr Chris Mileson
 Cllr Mrs Anne Moorhouse
 Cllr Matt Newnes
 Cllr Mrs Sally Stanier

 Mrs Roxana Brammer Clerk
 Mrs Daniela Baylis Assistant Clerk

 1 member of the public

Item	<i>Action point</i>
<i>Minute number 2018/19/</i>	

1 APOLOGIES

177 All parish councillors present.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

148 None declared

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21st JANUARY 2019

149 It was proposed by Cllr Clark, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse and agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 21st January 2019 be signed as a true record.

4 MATTERS ARISING

150 **a** Neighbourhood watch. Cllr Mrs Moorhouse had spoken to Helen Merchant and was happy to take this item on. She is happy for people to email her with problems at oaklandsfarm@hotmail.com. There would be a stand at the May fair for promotion of the scheme.

5 PLANNING

a Applications

151 **i** 20190152: Tranklyn, Wrangling Lane, Great Buckland – erection of a new pitched roof and replacement of exterior cladding, windows and doors

After discussion, it was agreed no comment be made.

152 **b Decisions**

The decisions as listed on Appendix A were received.

c Appeals and Other Matters

153 i None

6 FINANCE

154 **a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix A were noted.

155 **b Payments Made Since the Last Meeting**

The payments made since the last meeting as listed on appendix B were ratified. The Bank mandates would need changing but this would be done after the May elections when the new council would be in place.

156 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Clark, seconded by Cllr Mrs Stanier and agreed the accounts for payment (cheques 100106 – 100108) as listed in Appendix A be approved.

7 GRANT APPLICATIONS

157 None.

8 RECREATION GROUND

158 Cllr Mrs Stanier reported that the recreation ground had had its first cut of the year. She wished to thank Gravesend Borough Council for cutting the grass and emptying the bins. Cobham Colts also do some grass cutting.

The small holes along the north side of the recreation ground and in the wood chippings were being made by badgers.

The drain at the Hays Mead end was finally dug out and the pitch has not been so muddy this year.

The two 12 year old teams at Cobham have both won their leagues and the 14 year old team from Luddesdown have also done well.

19 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT

159 **a Public Rights of Way**

There had been a number of changes with a new committee taking over at the AGM. The Wednesday wander starts at 1pm at the pub.

160 **b GBC Transport Panel**

There had been a meeting the 13th March but no notification had been received so no one attended.

161 c Lower Thames Crossing.

The District Manager of Gravesham has said that work is progressing faster than planned. Cllr Mileson's letter had not been sent. He would resend it to the Clerk for signature and sending on.

162 d Flytipping

Richard Gagg had picked up a lot of fly tipping in Gadds Road with some personal details that were being followed up. A large amount of rubbish had been tipped at the bridge at the top of Batts Road. Magistrates approval was needed for covert cameras and this was being pushed for as the best way to solve the problem. Stuart Orford had sent evidence in but had not received a response. Emails re the fly tipping had been copied to Cobham. Harvel residents were also keen to work with Luddesdown on the problem. It was decided that a joint appeal to the magistrate's court would be the best way forward. Cllr Clark would email the neighbouring councils to see if they would join in a joint action. Cllr Newnes would contact the PCSO and local rural police force for advice.

163 e Road Drains

The pond in Henley Street had been cleared out by volunteers. The drains had also been cleared and now drained into the pond.

164 f Spring Clean

This was being held on the 30th March and would start from the Golden Lion at 9am

165 g Other Highways Issues

No matters were raised.

10 GBC MEETING OF PARISH CHAIRMEN

166 Cllr Clark said that there had been a meeting the previous week. A Co-ordinated approach to fly-tipping was mooted. On the June day of action last year there had been 6 arrests. This was a KCC led initiative. No date had been set for this year.

11 KALC GRAVESHAM AREA COMMITTEE

166 The next meeting was scheduled for Monday 1st May..

12 Reports on Meetings attended by Councillors ad Clerk not otherwise on the Agenda

167 Nothing to report

13 CONSULTATION

170 No documents received.

14 CORRESPONDENCE

171 None.

15 REPORTS AND CIRCULARS

172 The reports and circulars as listed on the agenda were received.

16 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

173 The Clerk was asked to send the Luddesdown meeting dates to Cobham and Meopham News.

The village sign outside the hall has a rotten post. Cllr Newnes would look at this.
Cllr Newnes was to reconcile transactions against the bank statement in accordance with Financial Regulations.

Suspension of meeting for public session

The member of the public wanted to raise the issue of BT not being able to provide Broadband.

The Chairman thanked councillors for attending and closed the meeting at 9.30pm.

Signed Chairman

On theday of..... 2019