

LUDESLOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL ZOOM MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17th May 2021 AT 7.30pm

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| PRESENT: | Cllr Noel Clark | Chairman |
| | Cllr Chris Mileson | |
| | Cllr Mrs Anne Moorhouse | Vice Chairman |
| | Cllr Matt Newnes | |
| | Cllr Johan Rossouw | |
| | Borough Cllr Tony Rice | |
| | Mrs Jo Barker | Clerk |

Item

Minute number 2020/21

Action point

1 TO ACCEPT AND AGREE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

217 None

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

218 None

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15th March 2021

219 It was agreed that the minutes from the meeting held on 15th March 2021 will be signed as a true record at the next Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall. This was proposed by Cllr Chris Mileson and seconded by Cllr Anne Moorhouse and all voted in favour.

4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA

220 None

5 INTERNAL AUDIT/AGAR FORMS

221 a The Internal Auditors report was received. No errors were found with figures presented and agreed the year end as summarised by the Clerk. The Internal Audit form talks about Transparency code for smaller authorities, the Clerk should google this and download the leaflet from the Government website to ensure that the Council is complying with the requirements as laid down.

b The Annual Governance questions were read and agreed by members. It was then proposed by Cllr Johan Rossouw and seconded by Cllr Mileson and all agreed the Annual Governance Statement for the year to 2020/21 be signed by the Chairman.

c The Accounting Statements 2020/21 be signed by the Chairman. This was proposed by Cllr Moorhouse and seconded by Cllr Rossouw and all voted in favour.

d It was proposed by Cllr Mileson, seconded by Cllr Rossouw and all agreed the Certificate of Exemption be signed by the Chairman.

6 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

222 Cllr Clark chose to step down from the position of Chairman after serving for four years as he felt that the role was due for rotation. Unfortunately, all of the other Councillors stated that they could not commit the necessary time involved in accepting the role at that time. Therefore, a unanimous decision was made to elect Cllr Clark as Chairman noting he will resign the role at the next Parish Council meeting.

7 TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

223 This will be signed by the new Chairman elected at the meeting to be held on Monday 19th July 2021.

8 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

224 a It was proposed by Cllr Mileson and seconded by Cllr Rossouw and agreed that Cllr Mrs Moorhouse be Vice Chairman for the year.

b Cllr Mrs Moorhouse signed her declaration of acceptance of office before the Proper Officer of the Council.

9 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES

225 a **Environmental**

To be decided at the next Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday 19th July 2021.

b **Public Rights of Way**

Cllr Clark

c **Recreation Ground**

This will be decided at the next Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday 19th July 2021.

d **Transport**

Cllr Mileson

e **KALC Gravesham Area Committee**

Cllr Mrs Moorhouse and another to be decided at the Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday 19th July 2021.

f **Police Liaison**

To be decided at the next Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday 19th July 2021.

10 FINANCE

226 a **Bank Mandate**

The Clerk continues to pay invoices by BACS.

227 b **Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix A were noted.

228 c **Payments Made Since the Last Meeting**

Payments made from the Finance Report Appendix A were proposed by Cllr Clark and seconded by Cllr Mileson for the meeting to accept, all voted in favour. Cllr Newnes was happy with the figures on the finance report but asked the Clerk to redesign the finance report to make things clearer and put more dates on the report.

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229 d **Accounts for Payment**

It was agreed that the Clerk would renew the KALC Subscription at £161.95 including VAT.

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11 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS AT CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

230 Cllr Rice reported on his recent update call with Tim Harris, the new Environmental Enforcement Manager at GBC:

In our vicinity a number enforcement actions and enquiries leading to probable prosecutions include fly tip events at Warren Road, Batts Road, Camer Road, Park Pale and Shorne lfield Road. These are the result of a new process introduced at GBC to fully investigate fly tips.

Hot spots are now identified and managed. In our area these include Warren Road, Buckland Road, Batts Road, Henley Street, White Post Lane (Sole St) anf Church Road. Cameras have also been purchased by GBC and will be deployed judiciously as required in hot spots.

Regarding the reporting of fly tips, Tim Harris now triages all events, prioritises and the enforcement team investigates and clears, retaining evidence for enforcement. The ideal method of reporting is to use the GBC reporting tool at <https://www.gravesham.gov.uk/home/street-care-and-cleaning/fly-tipping/report-fly-tipping>. This results in the sharpest response compared to other reporting methods (such as mobile apps), which creates delays in reaching the point of action.

On other matters, Cllr Rice took an action to discuss with KCC Highways, the possibility of a review of speed limes in the built up areas of Henley Street and the Golden Lion area of Luddesdown Road, which should ideally be 30mph.

Cllr Newnes reported that none of the roads in Luddesdown have a speed limit on them He would like to see a speed limit on Henley Road as part of this road is residential and near a recreation ground. Cllr Newnes reported that cars speed up and down Henley Street regularly and were even speeding down towards the Golden Lion Public House. Could Cllr Rice speak to a KCC Highways Representative on the Parish Council's behalf. Does he think that Henley Street would be classed as a built up area?

Cllr Newnes suggested Saturday 12th June for the Spring Clean in Luddesdown. He asked the Clerk to organise for a skip to be delivered on Friday 11th June to the Vineyard. Would the Clerk also do a poster for the Spring Clean and put onto the website. The Clerk to pass onto Cllr Clark to put on noticeboards and Cllr Newnes to put on the village WhatsApp group.

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PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 20.57pm

Signed Chairman

On theday of..... 2021