

**MINUTES OF LYDDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at Lydden Village Hall**

*These minutes are considered as a draft until agreed by the Parish Council as a true and accurate reflection of the previous meeting held.*

PRESENT: Chairman Cllr Ryan Booth, Cllr. Ray Andrews, Cllr. Michelle Cregeen, and the Clerk, Mr Jonathan Mount.

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS/PUBLIC:

There was 1 member of the public present.

**1) Apologies and Absences**

PCSO Sarah McGuinness apologised for non-attendance. She has now taken over the Lydden Parish area.

Cllr. Lorraine Young (weather conditions).

No apologies from Cllr. Phil Seath, Cllr. Mark Rose or Cllr. David Beaney.

**2) Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest appertaining to items on the agenda

Cllrs. Booth and Cllr. Andrews declared an interest in the village hall.

**3) Minutes of the last meeting**

All Councillors had read and agreed that the Minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting. The adoption of the minutes was proposed by Cllr. Ray Andrews and seconded by Cllr. Michelle Cregeen Carried unanimously.

RESOLVED- that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2022 be accepted and duly signed by the Chairman.

**4) Matters arising from the minutes**

There were no matters arising.

**5) Last Meeting's Action Plan**

- The HIP has been sent to DDC and others
- The clerk has responded to the planning application concerning the carport/garage.
- Cllr. Booth to take a cheque to Nat West to close the account. Not yet done.
- Quotes to be obtained ref. land at the back of the Lydden Bell. Two quotes have been obtained; Clerk is to notify the contractor that the quote for £1100 is to be accepted.
- Cllr. Young to contact electricity company ref. cutting back trees
- Cllr Seath to organise the purchase of a Christmas Tree and decorations/lights. This has been done. Thanks to Cllr Seath for organising and the family for decorating the tree, also thanks to the Village community group for the baubles and for decorating the "little library".

**6) Public participation**

None

**7) Speedwatch report**

- There are now 10 volunteers, nothing is scheduled to happen until January. He is away during the first part of the year, so speedwatch will start at the end of March owing to present weather conditions.

## **8) Highways**

- There is a free toolkit available (stickers etc.) Cllr Andrews will ask for the toolkit and distribute it as necessary.

## **9) Public Properties**

- Village Hall might need its roof replaced. A member of the public mentioned that there is no felt under the tin roof, so rain will often ingress. Water is getting in, but no idea exactly where. Does not need replacing, just need to find out where the rain is getting in. A quote to be obtained for re-felting.

## **10) Town Planning**

- Cllrs were referred to the new website and planning portal, which automatically uploads all new planning applications.
- There were no objections to any new planning applications.

## **11) Financial Report and items for payment and receipts**

- To receive the bank reconciliation up until the end of November 2022
- The Community Grant application submitted to KCC has now been agreed upon. It has not yet been deposited in the bank. Communication has been received from KCC who wanted proof of new banking details. This was sent to them by the Clerk on 6<sup>th</sup> December
- Allotment payments have all been paid now except for one. Cllr Cregeen will contact Jill Skinner and request confirmation that she wants to continue with the allotment.

<b>Cheque No.</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Amount</b>
800036	Colin Hoyle	Maintenance for September	£75.00
800033	J Mount	Clerk's salary	£461.63
800034	J Mount	Clerk's expenses	36.60
800035	R. R. Andrews	Purchase of wreath	£25.00

RESOLVED – The above payments should be paid.

## **12) District Councillor's report**

None received

## **13) County Councillor's report**

None received

## **14) PCSO's report**

No report received

## **15) Village Hall committee**

No report received

## **16) Items for discussion and any other correspondence received**

- Discussion about the maintenance of the allotments and confirmation that Cllr. Cregeen's brother could help with the maintenance of the allotments (water etc.). Cllr. Cregeen pointed out that the fence needs replacing but it is up to the farmer to maintain it. The land is owned by MOD, but the farmer should repair/replace it.
- Salt bins: Councillors were not sure where the salt bin is that was mentioned in a recent letter. Highways are responsible for refilling them. Cllr Booth will write to Cllr Beaney to get it organised.

**17) Any confidential items to be discussed**

There were none.

**18) Date and venue for future meetings**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be at 7.45 pm on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023

This meeting closed at 8:40 pm

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CHAIRMAN

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