# Minutes of a meeting of Ludgershall Parish Council held at Ludgershall Memorial Hall on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2014 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllr. Ms. H. Cox, Chairman

Cllr. J. Cartwright Cllr. T. Chettle Cllr. R. Jones Cllr. S. Lawson Cllr. R. Simpson Cllr. P. Thomas

Also present: Deborah O'Brien, Parish Clerk

5 members of the public

Questions before the meeting:

- Ian Costar suggested that a bench could be used for the celebration of 1000 years of Ludgershall's History in 2015.
- Alan Turner-Smith asked if the Parish Council could provide some soil to repair areas of the Village Green damaged during the recent wet weather. He was advised that there will be fill removed from the ditch opposite Doyleys Farm that could be used.

## 145.0 Fire Safety Announcement

Cllr. Helena Cox commenced the meeting with a fire safety announcement.

## 146.0 Apologies

**RESOLVED** to note that there were no apologies

## 147.0 Declarations of Interest

**RESOLVED** to note that there were no Declarations of Interest.

#### 148.0 Minutes

**RESOLVED** to receive the minutes and confirm the recommendations therein of the meeting of the Parish Council held on:

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014 LPC/09/1314

# 149.0 Finance

## 149.1 Account Balances:

**RESOLVED** to note that the balances for the Co-op accounts are as follows:

Community Direct Account	£ 7838.41	(as at 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2014)
Deposit Account	£ 2503.05	(as at 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2014)
Village Green Account	£21031.43	(as at 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2014)
Play Area Account	£ 2925.07	(as at 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2014)

#### 149.2 Payments:

#### **RESOLVED** to make the following payments:

Deborah O'Brien – £296.88 (February salary by standing order)
Deborah O'Brien - £33.12 – expenses (Envelopes £1.00; Ink £28.98 + £3.14 VAT) Cheque no. 100102
Signs Express - £42.00 – Play Area Safety Signs (£35 + £7 VAT) Play Area A/C no 200004
SLCC - £60.00 – 2014/15 subscription (60% of cost – split with Piddington) Cheque no 100103

Members noted that £375.00 in respect of Ditch clearance has been transferred from the Village Grn A/C to the Current A/C 2239.

The Memorial Hall Committee has conveyed its thanks to the PC for the donation of £150.00.

149.3 Income

#### **RESOLVED** to note income:

Interest - £1.07 Current A/C; £0.26 Play Area Account

149.4 Income and Expenditure report

**RESOLVED** to approve the Income and Expenditure Report as at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2014. (Appendix A).

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to approve the detailed report (28<sup>th</sup> February 2014) which reconciles income and expenditure to bank statements all on one document (Appendix B), and the handwritten ledger.

Members noted that a transfer of £2,000 from the current account to repay the Village Green Account in regard to previous legal fees would be added to the April agenda. (Clerk to supply balance owed)

149.5 Co-op Bank

**REOLVED that** the Clerk should commence the process to move all bank accounts to Lloyds.

**150.0** Police Matters – no officers were in attendance

#### 151.0 Parish Council Business

- Defibrillator members noted that the Village Hall Committee has agreed to the installation of a defibrillator at the Parish's expense. **RESOLVED that** a defibrillator, box and worry free kit should be ordered. (£842 for the AED; £450 for the box; Worry-free replacement kit £303 = £1,595, plus the cost of an electrician.\_(+ VAT)) Clerk to obtain quotes from an electrician which include the installation of a light. (Standing Order 30e allows for financial regs to be waived if a preferential price can be negotiated for an item. In this case the SCAS has negotiated a 35% discount for the purchase of a defibrillator as reflected in the £842 price)
- 151.2 Willow outside Narnia members noted the residents have agreed that pollarding is the best solution and that Rand Contracting will complete the work as soon as weather permits.
- 151.3 Hedge by Ramblers Clerk to follow up with resident regarding ownership and request that AVDC completes the trimming.

- 151.4 Curb stones on village green TfB has been contacted regarding permission and a response is awaited. Clerk to follow-up.
- 151.5 E-mail from Dr. Turner-Smith Members noted his three comments and **RESOLVED that** a memorial bench around the Peace Tree would be installed. Clerk to investigate other designs (all wood) and cost of plagues.

**FURTHER RESOLVED to** discuss at the Annual Parish Meeting a "more natural looking Village Green".

The Fishing Club has now decided not to install a gate/fence to the rear of the pond.

### 151.6 Licences across the Village Green

- Rosedene the family would like to discuss acquiring a deed of easement for right of access.
   Clerk is to obtain quotes from the District Valuer and PC solicitor.
- The Rosary licence for splays expired in 2007 and not renewed. Councillors to examine and report back.
- The Hovel Clerk will write to owners requesting that the village green area is restored and only one car is parked.

#### 152.0 Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC)

- 152.1 Vale of Aylesbury Plan members noted that AVDC has as of 5/2/14 withdrawn the VAP.
- 152.2 Members noted that the 2014 Register of Electors is now available through AVDC's Electoral Registration Office.
- 152.3 Electoral Review of Aylesbury Vale members noted that a public consultation has begun and is open until 8<sup>th</sup> April. Notices have been placed on the noticeboards.

## 153.0 Buckinghamshire County Council

Members declined to register the Play Area on the Bucks Family Information Service (BFIS) website.

# 154.0 Circulated in between meetings

Members noted that the following were circulated:

- BALC Final local government finance settlement
- AVDC Notice of Meetings February March 2014
- BCC Newsletter February 2014
- HS2 E update 31 January 2013
- BALC Newsletter January Edition
- Community Impact Bucks E News Bulletin-3rd February 2014
- BBOWT presentation Piddington 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014
- BALC Preparation for a possible severe weather event
- News for the Parishes January 2014
- BALC Final local government finance settlement Important
- Cherwell Local Plan 2006 2031 : Notification of Submission and Availability
- Aylesbury Vale Transport Users Group (AVTUG) meeting on 4 March in Buckingham
- AVDC removal of Recycling Banks
- Flooding update from TfB
- Working with BCC/TfB on Sandbags
- HS2 E-update 14 February 2014

- Community Impact Bucks E News Bulletin-17th February 2014
- TfB Think Community Conferences March and April 2014
- NALC consultation notification on Openness of Local Govt Bodies draft available at meeting

#### 154.0 Footpaths

Members declined to accept a proposal by TfB regarding Parish Paths Clearance.(It was suggested that this service could devolve to the Parish, for which it would be paid £36.53 p.a.)

#### 155.0 Planning

#### 155.1 Planning Applications

## 13/03285/APP Land NW of Railway Bridge, Piddington Rd

Network Rail bank stabilisation – members agreed in principle, but require the following:

- A written statement on the impact for Ludgershall there are concerns regarding the
  quantity and size of vehicles accessing the project through the village, plus the times of day
  when this would occur.
- A written confirmation that any damage to the Piddington Road or the Green, or High Street
  or Bicester Road (and any other road impacted by the work) together with any damage to
  the Village Green (which is a protected entity) will be fully repaired and/or restored to a
  standard acceptable to the Parish Council.

**13/03410/APP St Anthony's Barn** – Retrospective Planning Application – this was presented at the last meeting with no objections.

**14/00255/APP Willow Cottage, The Green** – Demolition of outbuilding. Erection of two storey rear extension. (Awaiting plans for review)

## 155.2 Planning Decisions

**13/03410/APP St Anthony's Barn** – Retrospective Planning Application Members are advised that AVDC has refused this application.

155.3 Other planning information – Cllr. Simpson is working on the response to HMLR.

# 155.0 Play Area

- Cllr. Thomas advised that the round bench will be repaired before the April meeting.
- 200 Club **RESOLVED that** Cllr. Cox will obtain a licence and organise this fundraiser.
- Members noted that safety signs are available Cllrs Chettle & Thomas to install.
- Repairs & maintenance Members noted that 2 quotes have been received and a third is due. **RESOLVED that** upon review of all 3 quotes by the PC, a work order should be issued to repair and clean the wetpour areas; replace the roundabout seats and repair the spinner.
- Members noted that ROSPA will inspect in May.

# 156.0 Highways

- Members noted that TfB has cleared the ditch on Salters Lane and has marked drains which are to be rodded. Updates from TFB have not been forthcoming in spite of repeated requests.
- Members noted that the damaged railings over the bridge at Bit Lane have been repaired.

# **157.0** Date of next meetings - Ludgershall Parish Council:

- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2014
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014 Annual Council Meeting election of officers
- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2014 Annual Parish Meeting

### **Public Questions:**

Mr. Simon Thomas requested permission to repair uneven ground in front of his house with soil and seed at his expense – no objections were raised.

The Fishing Club requested permission to install another seat at the pond at their expense – no objections were raised.

Mr. Goss has advised that the play area tractor requires a replacement battery – Cllr. Thomas to arrange.

Several residents have questioned the installation of panels outside the Warrens on Village Green – the Clerk to write to the owner.

Play Around the Parishes will take place on 8<sup>th</sup> April 10 am at the Village Hall.

Signed	Date
Chairman	