Lewdown Grouped Parish Council

Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton

Minute No 747

Monday 31st January 2022 at Lewdown Victory Hall commencing at 7.30pm These minutes are provisional until they have been agreed and then signed by the chairman at the next Parish Council meeting.

Meeting opened 7.33

Present Cllr Harrop (Chair), Andrews (vice chair), McSmythurs, Metherell, Southcott, Vanstone, Yeo, Cllr Samuel DCC, P van Delft (clerk).

- 1. Chair welcomed everyone present.
- 2. Apologies: Cllrs Crocker, Dawe, Perkins, Wilkinson and Cllr Mott (WDBC),
- 3. Members of the public open forum The Chair from the Lewdown W.I, the Chair from Stowford Parish Council and one member were present. A parishioner gave a brief history of the Trafalgar way the historic route for dispatching news of the Battle of Trafalgar 1805. The Chair of Lewtrenchard W.I. wished to thank Cllr Wilkinson for the work he had done at the Ramsonwillis in clearing a path for the 'Nature Trail'. Two dedicated trees will be planted by the WI later in the autumn. The chair from Stowford PC wished to hear about preparations on item 13. and how Stowford PC could work with L.G.P.C. and associated clubs, groups and organisations.
- 4. Declarations of interest none
- 5. Minutes of previous meeting 746 being a true reflection of that meeting was approved and signed. Proposed Cllr Southcott, seconded Cllr McSmythurs, all in favour
- 6. Naming of access road servicing the Slaughterhouse site;

Proposal - Trafalgar Close with houses numbered 1 to 5.

It was resolved to support the proposal, Cllr Andrews proposed the motion, Cllr Southcott seconded, all in favour

- 7. V.E. Day 50th year Remembrance commemorative stone It was resolved to unveil the stone on Sunday 8th May.
- 8. Finance
 - 8.1 The following payments were authorised;

P. van Delft – clerk salary (Dec-Jan)	£ 291.80
HMRC – PAYE	£ 61.80
Cllr B. Wilkinson – Replacement timber for the Ramps bench	£ 31.65
Dean Elliott – Grass cut (sept 2021)	£ 50.00
E. Pascoe & Son – V.E. Day Remembrance stone	£ 292.80

- 8.2 R.F.O Report showed a combined balance of £19.134.90 after authorised payments, Cllr McSmythurs proposed and Cllr Andrews seconded payments and the report, all in favour.
- 8.3 Asset register A request for more information on supporting evidence to substantiate ownership of its assets, Cllrs provided dates for seats at Fourways Junction and Lobhill Cross, Cllr Andrews found additional assets that may now include land at Lobhill cross, more detail to follow.
- 9. Reports from Cllr Mott (WDBC) Cllr Southcott reported on behalf of Cllr Mott asking if the p.c may consider a Broadband Champion, this would help with providing a service and also for speeding up

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- delivery of fiber though out the parish. After much discussion Cllr McSmythurs offered to look at the options available and report back to councillors. The chair suggested that an article in the Newslink may prove helpful, Cllr Southcott agreed to produce a notice for the Newslink.
- 10. Reports from councillors: Cllr Southcott reported that V.A.S. signs may prove very useful in slowing down traffic, positioned at the end of the new 30mph limit in Lewdown Village with the other sign near the Jethro's site. Cllr Southcott also reported that he had been given an old copy of the parish's Appraisal dated 1994, it was proposed to look at the appraisal and consider its contents for analysis at the next meeting.
- 11. Rampsonwillis recreation ground No reports provided at this meeting
- 12. The Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022 Weekend of celebrations –
- 13. Committee members collaboration partner arrangements.
 - 13.1 It was resolved to contact organisations, clubs and groups who may be interested in participating in the organising of the celebrations, the chair to send out invitations to a Zoom meeting.
 - 13.2 Jubilee bench no comments at this meeting
 - 13.3 Beacon site Subject to permission from B.G. Cllr Dawe offered the use of land for this purpose.
 - 13.4 Celebration arrangements Cllr Dawe kindly offered to donate a lamb for a BBQ 13.5 Lunch street party/Victory Hall a Bring & Share lunch was thought appropriate.
- 14. Cllr Samuel (DCC) Reported that she had continued to liaise with D.H. however unfortunately D.H. will not review further the extension of the 30mph through to the Jethro's site. D.H. will review again when new housing stock is built along the C822. Cllr Samuel also reported that the Speedwatch data will be very helpful in a review. Also reported that in the West Devon area 85% of adults were now vaccinated with the booster jab. The council was now looking a balancing a budget for the year 2022-23.
- 15. Emergency plan The chair suggested that the Victory Hall could be an appropriate refuge, DCT have grants available for E.P. equipment, a list is to be drawn up. The chair also suggested that once the draft E.P. is completed an enactment of an emergency to check if it robust and fit for purpose.
- 16. Bench repairs at Lobhill Cross Cllr Andrews reported that some concreting work was now needed and this would be dealt with in due course with Cllr Metherell.
- 17. Correspondence Letters of appreciation for grants and donations were received from Lewtrenchard PCC, Marystow PCC, Citizens Advice and Lewdown Cricket Club. A request from Lewtrenchard W.I to decorate the bus-shelters promoting 'Show the Love', councillors were all in favour and looked forward to seeing the decoration.

Items to be included in the next meeting: A community plan.

Meeting closed 9.16pm

Date of next extraordinary meeting 28th February at Lewdown Victory Hall, 7.30pm Date, place and time of next scheduled meeting 28th March at Lewdown Victory Hall, 7.30pm

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