

# Lewdown Grouped Parish Council

## Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton

Minute No 749 of Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022 held at the Victory Hall

These minutes are provisional until they have been agreed and then signed by the chairman at the next Parish Council meeting.

Present Cllrs Harrop (Chair), Andrews (vice chair), Dawe, Perkins, Southcott, Vanstone, Wilkinson & Yeo  
P van Delft (clerk).

Meeting opened 7.35

1. The chair welcomed all those present.
2. Apologies – Cllrs McSmythurs, Metherll & Cllr Mott (WDBC),
3. Lifting of the councils Covid 19 precautions – It was resolved to continue with the existing precautions whilst Covid levels in the area are still high. Proposed by Cllr Yeo, seconded by Cllr Wilkinson, all in favour.
4. Members of the public open forum – One member present.
5. Declarations of interest - none
6. Minutes of previous meeting 748 being a true reflection of that meeting was approved and signed. Proposed by Cllr Andrews, seconded by Cllr Vanstone, all in favour.
7. Resignation of Cllr Crocker – election of new councillor. Cllr Harrop to arrange details for the advertisement to go in the link and Facebook. The clerk to place the councillor notices on the noticeboard and website,
8. R.F.O. Reports
  - 8.1 Invoices were approved for payment: Vision Ict – Website hosting £182.86  
P van Delft – Clerk duties Feb- March £365.44  
HMRC – Paye £ 80.20  
Proposed by Cllr Yeo, seconded by Cllr Andrews, all in favour
  - 8.2 Report showed a combined credit balance after payments of £18,517.30. Proposed by Cllr Southcott, seconded by Cllr Perkins, all in favour.
  - 8.3 Asset register – It was resolved that the clerk circulate the register to councillors so that they can try and update the missing information as best as possible.
9. Annual Parish meetings arrangements. Meetings for all four parishes including the election of chairs and secretaries for each parish will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> April, notice to go on the Facebook page Cllr Southcott has provided a presentation for the combined Parish Meeting afterwards. Interested organisations and groups to be contacted. Light refreshments will be available after the meeting.
10. Reports from Cllr Mott (WDBC) – Monthly reports will no longer be produced because WDBC regularly produce news updates that the clerk circulates to all councillors.
11. Reports from councillors – Cllr Perkins reported that “Deep Lane” and “Angel Steps” were now virtually impassable for vehicles. It was resolved that Cllr Harrop would report the problem with D.H. Cllr Perkins also reported that a stretch of highway in Marystow Lane was now also in poor condition, the clerk to arrange a meeting with the D.H. lengthsman and Cllr Andrews. Cllr Southcott reported various potholes in Thrushelton.
12. Reports from Cllr Samuel (DCC) - Not in attendance.

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13. Highways – VAS signs in the vicinity of the school. Cllr Southcott reported that each sign would cost approximately £2500 each, D.H. would need to approve the type used. Cllr Harrop stated that ongoing costs also needed to be taken into account should the signs be installed. Cllr Southcott suggested that signs similar to the ones at Lifton may be useful because they were easily repositioned. Cllr Southcott reported that the Speedwatch team was now seeing a general speed reduction in driver speeds since the Speedwatch team had started the initiative. Cllr Perkins proposed that speed warning markings on the C822 could also prove helpful with reducing speeding vehicles, the motion was seconded by Cllr Harrop, all were in favour. Cllr Southcott to contact D.H.
14. Rampsonwillis recreation ground – Committee update on plans/planning & fundraising. Cllr Perkins will provide more details and costs for the next meeting.
15. The Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022 – Weekend of celebrations update
  - 15.1 Arrangements.- Beacon lighting on 2<sup>nd</sup> June, Sunday Lunch on 5<sup>th</sup> June more details to follow.
  - 15.2 Jubilee bench – Wooden bench preferred, it was resolved that Cllrs would look for pre-used cast iron bench ends for refurbishment, the inscription to be considered at next meeting.
  - 15.3 Beacon site, Lunch and celebration – insurance cover – Details have been provided. Risk assessments are needed for the beacon lighting and the outdoor lunch, Cllr Harrop to attend to them. First Aiders and stewards will be required.
16. Flag pole + flags – The Victory Hall have made arrangements.
17. Emergency plan – A review of equipment now cost £1,128.50, a grant from DCT will be applied for. Motion proposed by Cllr Andrews, seconded by Cllr Yeo, all in favour.
18. War memorial notice board – Cllr Harrop reported that he had collected the damaged noticeboard located at the War Memorial square, the damage was a result from the recent storms. Cllr Harrop to advise on the costs for repairs, the clerk to enquire costs for a new replacement, Cllr Southcott mentioned that grants were available from WDBC localities fund.
19. Commemoration 50 year VE Day stone - It was resolved that Cllr Mott be invited to unveil the stone on Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. Tea and biscuits at Victory Hall afterwards.
20. Correspondence - none
21. Items to be included in the next meeting: VAS signs and Queens Jubilee.

Meeting closed 9.40pm

Date, place and time of next meetings.

Annual Parish meetings 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at Lewdown Victory Hall, 7.30pm (an ordinary meeting may follow)

Annual meeting + Ordinary 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at Lewdown Victory Hall 7.30pm

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