

# Lewdown Grouped Parish Council

## Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton

### Minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Minute No 770

These minutes are provisional until they signed by the chair at the next meeting of the parish council

Present: Cllrs Andrews (chair), Southcott (vice chair), Alexander, Metherell, Mincher, Wilkinson, Yeo  
Cllr Mott (WDBC), P. van Delft (clerk)

Meeting opened 7.30 pm

1. The chair welcomed all those present
2. Apologies for absence – Cllrs Mc Smythurs and Perkins
3. Members of the public open forum – none present
4. Declarations of Interest – Cllr Southcott declared an interest regarding the proposed donation for the Community Newslink.
5. Minutes of previous meeting 769 being a true reflection of that meeting was approved and signed by the chair. Proposed Cllr Southcott, second Cllr Yeo, motion carried.
6. Cllr Mott (WDBC) provided her report via email.
7. Planning app. Ref:- 0031/24/LBC – Listed building consent for replacement roof finishes.  
The Old Vicarage, Chilton, Lifton, PL16 0JA

Council decision – Support- Proposed Cllr Southcott, second Cllr Alexander, motion carried.

#### 8. Finance

- 8.1 – Payments were authorised for the following:-
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| Victory Hall Committee – Hall hire   | £ 75.00 |
| P. van Delft – Clerk salary, Dec-Jan | £527.25 |
| HMRC – Paye                          | £ 90.60 |

Proposed Cllr Southcott, second Cllr Mincher, motion carried.

- 8.2 - R.F.O. reported a combined account credit of £21,296.92 after authorised payments.  
Proposed Cllr Alexander, second Cllr Yeo, motion carried.
- 8.3 - Defibrillator – The clerk reported that the B.H.F application had been unsuccessful, Cllr Mincher suggested that South West Ambulance service provide free defibrillators and servicing. It was resolved that the clerk should follow up Cllr Mincher's advice.
- 8.4 - Budget and precept for 2024-25 – After due consideration it was resolved to approved the proposed budget The precept request was approved for £9,355, motion carried, proposed Cllr Metherell, second Cllr Yeo – Cllr Southcott declared an interest thus abstained.
9. New Councillors - vacant seats for Coryton and Marystow still apply.
10. Play area update – Including approval of preferred supplier, planning application. Cllr McSmuthers stated via email that a planning -pre-application telephone call had been arranged for February.
11. D.C.C. Winter carriageway report – After due deliberation it was considered that it was an unhelpful report, Cllr Southcott commented that D.C.C. will prioritise work in need of urgent attention.
12. Planning application 1666/20/OPA – Public consultation on the proposed site plan. It was resolved that no comment could be made on the proposal since no formal plans have been submitted to the Parish Council. Cllr Andrews reminded the council that S.W.W main sewage and drainage pipes lay across the proposed development.

*Peter van Delft*

*Lewdown Grouped Parish Clerk*

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13. Housing surveys – WDBC response to questions raised at meeting 27.11.23. Cllr McSmythurs informed via email that a response has been received from Cllr Mott. Cllr McSmythurs to inform the council at the next meeting.
14. Energy efficiency – Thermal image camera. Cllr Mincher informed that the T.I.C. was available for a period of 2 weeks the purpose of the survey is to help identify where heat energy is escaping from existing dwellings. Results from the survey will go to Tamar Energy. Anyone interested should contact Cllr Mincher for more details on how to take part.
15. Cllr Reports – Cllr Metherell reported that more stonework has been dislodged on the bridge at Thrushelford.
16. Correspondence – Letters, emails and telephone messages of appreciation from Marystowe, Lewtrenchard, Coryton and Thrushelton PCC's for the donations received.
17. Clerk employment contract – the updated contract to be considered at the next meeting.
18. Meeting with South West Water at the Lewdown treatment works to be held on 15.2.24. 10.30am

Items for next meeting – Grant/donation payments. Emergency plan update.

Meeting closed 8.50pm.

Date, place and time of next meeting Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, Lewdown Victory Hall, 7.30pm

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