

Lewdown Grouped Parish Council

Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton

Minutes of ordinary meeting held at Lewdown Victory Hall

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Monday 29th April 2019

No 717

Present: Cllrs: C. Dunn (Chair), A. Harrop (Vice Chair), T. Andrews, T. Dawe, G. Metherell, O. Vanstone, P. Newman, N. Perkins, G. Yeo, B. Wilkinson, C. Jones: Peter van Delft (Clerk)

Meeting opened at 8.00pm

1. The Vice Chair welcomed the council and opened the meeting.
2. Apologies – Cllr Mott (WDBC)
3. Declarations of interest – Cllr Metherell with regard to planning ref. 0994/19/OPA
4. Members of the public open forum – One members present. No questions
5. Minutes of meeting 716 of 25th March were signed by the vice chair being a true reflection of that meeting.
6. Planning app. - **Reference 0817/19/FUL** – Part retrospective application for the erection of three holiday cabins in connection with existing camping field farm diversification project.
At. West Headson Farm, Bratton Clovelly, Okehampton, EX20 4JP
Council decision – Support – Proposed Cllr Newman, seconded Cllr Yeo
Reference 0994/19/OPA - Outline application with all matters reserved for proposed erection of dwelling.
At. Lobhill Cottage, Lewdown, Okehampton, EX20 4DS
Council decision – Support – Proposed Cllr Andrews, seconded Cllr Vanstone
7. Cllr Reports – Cllr Dunn spoke with the Village Hall committee regarding placement of a grit/sand bag location at the Hall grounds. Plus other items in relation to the emergency plan.
A paper copy of the road network would be useful to identify minor roads. Clerk to enquire.
Cllr Harrop reported that the Emergency Plan committee had met to attend to the outstanding issues, amendments would be made available for the next meeting
Cllr Perkins – A significant pot hole still remained unattended by Highways, Cllr Harrop immediately registered the pot hole on the highways website; ref No: W191223846.
Cllr Andrews – Drains outside Coppers Shop were still not emptied including the pavement drain.
Cllr Harrop immediately registered the problem on the highways website Ref No W191223848.
There was still a pot-hole problem at Collaton Barton but not thought to meet the criteria or reporting to highways.
Cllr Yeo – The laurel hedge at the Wye Junction was still in place. Posts with reflectors had been erected on the triangle. Clerk to follow up with Steve Brockman of Highways. The Stop sign was refused at the triangle junction, a review would be sought.
Cllr Wilkinson – Teignbridge D.C. had introduced a scheme for ‘Rural Skips’ to be sited at specified locations for one day only so that parishioners could dispose of waste materials. It was resolved that further discussion at the next meeting would be needed.
Cllr Jones – Usual pot-hole problems associated with highways and missing ‘cats eyes’ in the centre of some of the highways.

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8. Report from Cllr Mott WDBC – Provided a report read by the vice chair. The new waste contract was now operational, any problems can be reported online at the WDBC website. Savings have been made in the borough budget but a further £500 thousand was still needed to be make the books balance. Drop in sessions are continuing in Okehampton on Wednesdays 10am -4pm. Locality officers are able to make home visits in some instances.
9. Air Ambulance landing site official opening – Cllr Metherell reported that discussion with the Cricket Club for the opening. It was agreed that the opening would take place on 18th May at 7.00pm. Clerk to invite all fundraisers to the opening. Toby Russell of DAA or Cllr Mott to be contacted and asked if they would open the site and accept a cheque from the Cricket Club money raised from donations for DAA. A budget of £100 for light refreshments was proposed by Cllr Dunn and seconded by Cllr Dawe. It was estimated that 20-30 people may attend. Cllr Metherell to take care of the food
10. Finance
 - 10.1. DALC (annual subscription) £17876
 - 10.2. P. van Delft – (payment for WDBC dog bin emptying service £124.80
 - 10.3. TSB Bank update – Mandate update, registration of the internet address.
 - 10.4. Annual Insurance premium & policy review – quotations received from Zurich and BHIB. It was resolved to accept the lowest quotation from Zurich for £318.09 for 3 years. Proposed Cllr Harrop and seconded by Cllr Perkins.
11. Correspondence – Website comment – A parishioner raised an issue with the un-adopted road between West Raddon and Middle Raddon, it has been reported to have fallen in a state of disrepair. It was resolved that whilst highways may not attend to the metal of the road the council would try and contact owners of the land so that they may maintain the hedgerows along the un-adopted road when time permits. Cllr Dunn would contact Chris Taylor of Sydenham who may also be able to help.
12. Lewdown YFC Community Project – Suitable locations for their tree planting scheme. Cllr Metherell suggested that the old quarry would be a suitable location, the site was in need to some tree planting. Possibly 20 trees could be planted in the area. Clerk to contact Lewdown YFC.
13. Items for inclusion for the next meeting.

Cllr Jones had held the position of Tree Warden for the Parishes for several years and suggested that this is to be filled since he has now resigned as councillor, Include in the AGM election of a tree warden. Emergency plan review, Rural waste skips.
14. Date and time of next meeting – Monday 20th May at Victory Hall 7.30pm

The Chair wished to thank Cllrs Colin Jones and Peter Newman for the service they have given to the council and community over the last 36 years.

Meeting closed 9.15pm

Signed