

Lewdown Grouped Parish Council

Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton

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Monday 27th June 2019

Minutes No 719

Annual Parish Meeting – Marystow

Present: Cllrs: A. Harrop, B. Wilkinson,

Meeting opened 7.30pm

1. Chairs welcome
2. Apologies for absence – Cllr Dunn
3. Election of new chair and secretary –
It was resolved to elect Cllr Harrop for Chair, proposed by Cllr Wilkinson
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4. Members of the public open forum – no members of the public present.

Meeting closed 7.35pm

Ordinary Meeting

Present Cllrs Harrop (Chair), Andrews (Vice chair), Crocker, Dawe, Metherell, Southcott, Vanstone, Yeo.

Meeting opened 7.36pm

1. Chairman's welcome
2. Apologies – Cllrs Dunn & Perkins and Cllr Mott (WDBC)
3. Members of the public – Open forum – No members present
4. Minutes of previous meeting 718 being a true reflection of that meeting to be approved and signed.
5. Dispensations & declarations of Interest
6. Planning - Reference 1636/19/OPA
Proposal – Outline application with all matters reserved for proposed new dwelling;
at – Holster Yard, Lewdown, EX20 4BS
– Council decision – support – Proposed Cllr Yeo, seconded Cllr Wilkinson.
Planning - Reference 1670/19/HHO
Householder application for proposed single storey extensions to provide garage and bedroom. At – Higher Widdacombe Farm, EX20 4EA
– Council decision - support – Proposed Cllr Metherell, seconded Cllr Vanstone.
7. Lewtrenchard Primary School, wig wag lights – Creation of a “working party/committee”,
The chair recommended the importance of setting up a committee to deal with this sole issue. It was resolved that the working party should focus on the issues surrounding speeding through the village and in particular near Lewtrenchard Primary school.
The Wig Wag lights installation needs urgent attention in two main areas. 1. Fund raising, and 2. confirmation for the specification of equipment with Devon Highways. The deadline for installation was 28th May 2020 this being the date that the grant would elapse.

Peter van Delft

Lewdown Grouped Parish Clerk

Parish Councillors

Andrew Harrop (chair): Tom Andrews (vice chair): Sylvia Crocker: Trevor Dawe: Colin Dunn:
George Metherell: Nicola Perkins: Terry Southcott: Owen Vanstone: Brian Wilkinson: Graham Yeo:

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It was resolved that Cllr Southcott to head the committee, with members to include Cllrs Yeo and Wilkinson. Proposed Cllrs Andrews and Crocker.

Cllr Southcott suggested that it was important to engage with local residents and the school, and to include a member of the public on the committee. Cllr Southcott also suggested that Speedwatch should also be included in the remit. More details to be obtained.

The chair and Cllr Southcott wished to highlight the fact that a significant amount of work had been done by Cllr Dunn and that this work would form the basis of the work that needed to ensure a successful conclusion. Cllr Southcott advised that engagement with W.D.B.C. and the community was vital to its success in the aim in reducing the speed limit.

8. Special events and activities - Creation of a working party/committee – procedure planning. The chair raised the issue of Health and Safety at fund raising events. A review of all procedures was required. Cllr Southcott suggested that W.D.B.C. could help with the risk assessments . Chair asked the clerk to enquire with DALC for information. Cllr Harrop to head the committee. Cllr Southcott and the clerk to assist.
9. Recreation ground – Funding and progress update – A Co-op grant application had been made, the first stage had been approved with the second and final stage of the application to be notified in the Autumn.
10. Code of Conduct – A review took place, it was resolved to adopt the most recent version from W.D.B.C. Cllr Southcott proposed and Cllr Yeo seconded. Motion supported. Chair signed.
11. Southern Links meeting – Review of upcoming meeting – Cllr Andrews and possibly Cllr Harrop to attend and provide update at the next meeting. Of particular interest was funding and planning.
12. Correspondence – Un-adopted road between West and Middle Raddon - response. It was resolved that Cllr Wilkinson would draft a letter to Mr Hart regarding the issues in the lane. Cllr Crocker mentioned that the hedges were maintained but in the winter the lane did suffer from water runoff and disruption from cattle movement. A water trough was also thought to be a possible cause of some disruption, a view to moving the water trough was considered and concluded to write to the owner if this could be looked into. Cllr Southcott to enquire about the rights of way in the lane with WDBC.
13. Japanese Knotweed – Cllr Wilkinson asked Mr Prout to write an article in the Newlink (July issue), this provided much information and dispelled many myths. The chair asked if problem areas could be reported and then identified by blue marker posts. The council could then contact a contractor based in Bratton Clovelly to deal with said problems including the Ramps and Lewtrenchard School. Report problem areas to Cllr Wilkinson who will then make arrangements. Costs to be advised.
14. Items raised for discussion on next agenda to include – Rural waste skips scheme, Emergency Plan Committee updates, Japanese knotweed reports. Risk assessments for events review.
Meeting closed 9.07pm.

Date and time of next meeting 29th July 2019 – Lewdown Victory Hall, 7.30PM

Signed

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