

LUDDINGTON & HALDENBY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8th January 2024 at 7pm at the Luddington and Garthorpe Primary School, Luddington.

Present: Cllr R Adams (Chair), Cllr R Thorpe, Cllr S Walker, Cllr A Hewitt, Cllr C Patten, Ward Cllr Julie Reed.

2401/01 To note apologies for absence and resignations.

Apologies received from Ward Cllr John Brigg and the Chair.

2401/02 Public Participation.

None present.

2401/03 Declaration of Interest.

None received.

2401/04 Minutes of previous meeting.

The council **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 11th of December 2023 as a correct record and they were signed by the Chair.

2401/05 Chair's Report/Accounts.

The Chair reported the bank account balance as of 3rd January 2024 was £6,383.20.

4 Invoices paid since 29th November 2023 with the Playing Field gates grant outstanding. The clerk will send a copy of the gate invoice to Ward Cllr Reed and purchase the outstanding picnic benches. 2024/25 Budget & Precept – The Chair confirmed the form has been submitted to NLC.

Electricity supplier – No alternative suppliers interested so remaining with Eon for now.

Receipts from the Seniors Christmas Lunch microgrant have been received.

The council **RESOLVED** to accept the Chair's report.

2401/06 Personnel Committee

The minutes from the meeting held on Monday 11th December 2023 were presented and reviewed. The advert for the Community Operative will be advertised mid-January.

The monthly payroll is confirmed per person as £5 with no deductions and £6.20 with deductions.

The clerk's percentage increase is to be confirmed in line with the agreed NALC increase.

The council **RESOLVED** the minutes were a correct record and were signed by Cllr Thorpe.

2401/07 Policies and Procedures

Emergency Plan Response form – The council **RESOLVED** to distribute with "The Luddite" in January.

2401/08 Report from Ward Cllrs on NLC issues.

Ward Cllr Reed informed the council that the winter weather is very challenging as staff have been used to assist in the clean ups. The road gritting is causing labour/driver issues so there are delays with bulky collections and road sweeping. She asked that Parishioners please bear with them.

1. Village Newsletter – The Luddite

Cllr Thorpe confirmed the 2nd Issue needs additional copy for proofreading this week before distribution.

2. Parish Council meetings.

The Chair confirmed meetings will now be held at 7pm in the school.

3. Footpaths.

Nothing further to report so footpaths will be removed from future agendas.

4. Highways.

Safety concerns - The clerk confirmed that a meeting will be held with Mick Johnson to discuss our concerns for recommendations, suggestions, and procedures before the next meeting.

A resident has highlighted the bad condition of the Eastoft Road pavement. The council **RESOLVED** for Cllr Reed to action urgently.

5. Improvements on the square.

The council **RESOLVED** the work would commence in March – weather permitting.

6. Playfield Field update.

The telephone number for the padlock key location sign has not yet been agreed.

The school have approached the council with a quote for new fencing. Cllr Reed informed the council that as a maintained school, NLC are responsible as a safeguarding issue. Cllr Walker has **AGREED** to contact the school for confirmation of their request to the parish council.

Motorised vehicles - The Chair confirmed that the use of motorised vehicles is NOT permitted on the Playing Field as per the covenant and insurance.

The council **RESOLVED** that signage for the Playing Field is a priority and the clerk to investigate quotes.

The council **RESOLVED** that a fence to prevent access to the rear of the changing rooms will be actioned in 2024 when the weather improves.

7. Teen Shelter.

Cllr Walker confirmed the Youth Club had agreed the teen shelter design and Cllr Reed **RESOLVED** to submit the grant this month.

8. Speeding in the village

Cllr Reed confirmed new monitoring of Eastoft Road for up-to-date data and liaising with Neil Thomas for placement of displays is in progress. The council **RESOLVED** that Cllr Reed apply for a grant for the displays at the next cut off when all relevant reports are available.

9. Village Hall

Cllr Reed responded to the village hall's refurbishment plans stating the paved area would need a public consultation, moving of the oil tank and changes to the kitchen window need building control permissions. The current alcohol licencing only covers inside the hall, so the application needs to be changed for outside consumption. Cllr Reed received no response so the council **RESOLVED** to remove from future agenda for the time being.

Police Matters/NATs/Neighbourhood Watch.

No matters arising directly for Luddington from the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 7th December 2023.

- 2401/11 Planning.**
No new planning submissions.
- 2401/12 Correspondence.**
Community Grants – SSE Panel Representatives confirmed as Cllr Thorpe & Cllr Hewitt.
NL in Bloom 2024 – the council **RESOLVED** to accept the Village Hall's offer to apply for this grant and plant up the village.
Gala 2024 – the council **RESOLVED** the date of Saturday 15th June 2024 for use of the playing field is confirmed.
The council **RESOLVED** to invite Mrs Christophers to a future parish council meeting to present the grants available.
Clear Councils confirmed as new name for BHIB Insurance.
- 2401/13 Microgrant Applications.**
The council **RESOLVED** to approve a grant of £300 to C. Holloway for the Easter competitions.
- 2401/14 Additional agenda items for the next meeting.**
Picnic benches update.
Park signage.
- 2401/15 To confirm date for next meeting.**
Monday 5th February 2024 at 7pm.