

LUDDINGTON & HALDENBY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4th March 2024 at 7pm at the Luddington and Garthorpe Primary School, Luddington.

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

2403/01 To note apologies for absence and resignations.

Apologies received from, Ward Cllr John Briggs and Cllr Chloe Patten.

2403/02 Public Participation.

a) Mr M Thompson was present as an observer.

b) The council **RESOLVED** to remove the grant presentation from the agenda.

2403/03 Declaration of Interest.

None received.

2403/04 Minutes of previous meeting.

The council **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 5th of February 2024 as a correct record and they were signed by the Chair.

2403/05 Chair's Report/Accounts.

The Chair reported the bank account balance as of 21st February 2024 was £9,360.71.

The Playing Field gates and benches grant has been received and 1 invoice paid since 25th January 2024.

Easter competitions microgrant, CWC hedge trim invoice and VAT rebate outstanding.

The Chair informed the council Emma, EVS Bookkeeping, has been appointed as our agent for the AGAR and payroll. Also, that Cllr R Thorpe had resigned on 1st March 2024, the council accepted with regret his decision.

The council **RESOLVED** to send the school a copy of the Parish's Childcare Policy but do an enhanced DBS check for the new Community Operative.

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

2403/06 Personnel Committee

The council **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held on 19th February 2024 and ratified their decision for the Community Operative vacancy.

2403/07 Policies and Procedures

The council **RESOLVED** that the clerk is to update the Emergency Plan for approval.

2403/08 Report from Ward Cllrs on NLC issues.

Ward Cllr Reed confirmed the grants for the teen shelter and mower have been approved. NLC approved their budget and there will be a 92p a week increase to the council tax. Ofsted issued an outstanding report for childcare services. Michael Gove visited the area. Devolution progressing & 1.8m for improving transport. NLC has been challenged over the last few months with the weather, staff covering & old vehicles but new road sweepers, buses & electric buses ordered.

- 2403/09** **Reports:**
- 1. Village Newsletter – The Luddite**
The Chair **RESOLVED** to start working on the Spring edition.
 - 2. Highways.**
No current issues
 - 3. Improvements on the square.**
The council **RESOLVED** Cllr Walker will project manage the work in March with the Community Operatives assistance.
 - 4. Playfield Field update.**
Due to the lack of use and deterioration of the toilet block the council **RESOLVED** to condemn with immediate effect and organise removal. Suitable boundary fencing to be erected to neighbouring properties.
CWC have trimmed the hedges.
 - 5. Teen Shelter.**
The council **RESOLVED** to order the teen shelter as the grant now approved.
 - 6. Speeding in the village**
Cllr Reed confirmed no update but will chase the monitoring so location of the digital displays can be confirmed.
- 2403/10** **Police Matters/NATs/Neighbourhood Watch.**
The council **RESOLVED** to accept Ward Cllr Reed's offer to attend the next meeting & update the council at the next parish meeting.
- 2403/11** **Planning.**
No new planning submissions. Ward Cllr Reed recommended the council respond to the planning applications for the pylons & solar panel fields on behalf of the parish. The council **RESOLVED** that the Chair action.
- 2403/12** **Correspondence.**
The clerk confirmed that a free portrait of the king is on order.
Ward Cllr Reed confirmed that the CGR questionnaire needs to be completed by the clerk.
- 2403/13** **Microgrant Applications.**
The council **APPROVED** £300 for the end of term prom application.
The council **APPROVED** £200 for the garden games application on the provision that the council received a monthly report of use to ensure fair and equal access to the community.
- 2403/14** **Additional agenda Items for the next meeting.**
Bus stop repair.
- 2403/15** **To confirm date for next meeting.**
Monday 8th April 2024 at 7pm.