

Lund Parish Council

Minutes of Council Meeting held on 20th September 2022 Lund Village Hall at 8 pm

Present: - A Prescott (Chair), A Watts, G Ward, I Snowden, J Astbury, C Wright and J Johnston (parish clerk) and Cllr K Beaumont (Ward Councillor).

Public Participation (until 8.15pm)

None

1. **Apologies:** S Burns, C Lamb and K Calvert (Vice Chair)

2. **Public Participation**

None

3. **ERYC Councillors**

Cllr Prescott highlighted to Cllr Beaumont the difficulties we have been having recruiting a Parish Clerk. Putting this into perspective the precept only just covers the electricity for street lighting and the salary of the Parish Clerk. Given the huge increase in the cost of electricity without increasing the precept there is little scope to increase the salary of the clerk. Cllr Prescott questioned the reasoning behind why the street lighting even sat with the Parish Council given we have no control over it.

Cllr Beaumont suggested contacting David Elvidge based in Leconfield who is Portfolio Holder ERYC.

Cllr Beaumont explained that him and Cllr Gateshill were discussing with the new Cllr Diana Stewart how they could share the parishes. Joanna Johnston confirmed that she had invited Cllr Stewart to the meeting via the Liberal Democrat Group

4. **Members declarations of interest and Register of Interests**

Councillor Ward declared an interest in item 12 (Village Hall).

Councillor Ward declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 12 (Village Hall).

5. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meetings held on 2nd August 2022 were read and agreed. Proposed by Cllr Astbury and seconded by Cllr Ward.

6. **Matters Arising from the minutes**

None

7. **ERYC matters and correspondence**

- i. **Community Safety Fund**

It was agreed that the Community Safety Fund was not something we would wish to apply for.

- ii. **Introduction to Dogger Bank South Consultation**

Drop in sessions circulated. Consider any potential grants offered to local villages. Could be used to dredge and clean pond.

- iii. **Climate Change Strategy Survey**

Circulated. Joanna Johnston completed on behalf of Parish Council. Closes 25th September.

- iv. **Joint Local Access Forum**

Circulated 3/9/22

8. **Queens Platinum Jubilee**

- i. **Report to ERYC**

Completed and returned.

- ii. **Jubilee Bench(s) Parish Council and Jubilee Fund**

The Parish Council Jubilee bench has been ordered at a cost of £1455.05. 6-8 weeks delivery to Cllr Prescott. VAT to be reclaimed next year. The Church have agreed to give the village

the bench they have for renovation as long as the plaque is maintained. Cllr Lamb agreed to check out the renovation costs. The funds are in the Parish Council Accounts.

9. Telephone Box Uses

Cllr Calvert suggested that the telephone box could be used as a museum. To be discussed at the next meeting.

10. Website

- i. Allyson Kent has set up a online information page for the Village Hall which can include the Parish Council once the new website is set up.
- ii. Cllr Prescott to contact lady who has set up websites for Parish Councils. To be discussed at the next meeting.

11. Joanna Johnston Replacement

Joanna Johnston has checked whether the Parish Clerk job could be split. Finance Officer can be split but it is not possible for this to be done by a Parish Councillor. It is also not possible to **pay** a Parish Councillor to do the Parish Clerks job within 12 months of resigning as a Parish Councillor. There does not appear to be a problem if one volunteers.

The three applications were considered. Whilst one of the applicants was from the village it is not possible to pay her as a Consultant any paid Clerk must be paid via the payroll. Cllr Prescott to speak to Cllr Calvert about her offer to volunteer. This was proposed by Cllr Astbury and seconded by Cllrs Wright and Watts. Following the conversation letters need to be sent to the three applicants.

12. The Forge

E Mail received from Barry Ewbank asking if the Parish Council would pay for the legal fees involved in taking on the lease. Given the Parish Council are taking on the upkeep and roof repairs, the Parish Council are prepared to share the costs and asked for an idea of what that would be.

13. Contingency Plan

This has been circulated and should be updated once the new Parish Clerk has been appointed. The church are comfortable to be shown as a contact point.

14. Village Hall Update

None.

15. Millennium Permissive Path

The Millennium Path permission has now expired – no contact from the estate. Cllr Prescott has not been able to speak to the estate. Cllr Lamb to investigate.

16. Finance and Payments

- i. **Gift for Gareth Botterill** - £30 paid online bottle of whisky
- ii. **Oil for planters and benches-** Darren Gosling has oiled the planters at a cost of £44.98 paid online.
- iii. **Advert for Parish Clerk** - £126.00 paid online
- iv. £500 towards **Village Hall Insurance** paid on line
- v. £2000 donation from Village Hall towards grass cutter paid in
- vi. **Joanna Johnston Pay** £240 and **HMRC** £60 to be paid near end of September
- vii. **Parish Council Bench** £ 1455.04 (vat £242.50 to be reclaimed) – ordered to be paid on delivery 6-8 weeks
- viii. **Street Lighting Increase** from £1979.36 to £3213.48

17. Planning

- i. LUND CONSERVATION AREA - Remove 1 no. Larch tree (T1) and 1 no. Rowan tree (T3) due to T1 being in contact with the shed and T3 being a very poor specimen; Crown reduce 1 no. Oak tree by 3-4.5 metres to allow more light into garden Location: Cherrytrees 2 Cherry Garth Lund East Riding Of Yorkshire YO25 9TD – No Issues
- ii. LUND CONSERVATION AREA - Remove 1 no. Chestnut tree (T1), 1 no. Hawthorn tree (T2), 1 no. Lime tree (T3) and 1 no. Beech tree (T4) due to the trees casting a long shadow preventing lawn seed from becoming established and have no amenity value Location: Field House 13 North Road Lund East Riding Of Yorkshire YO25 9TF - No Issues
- iii. LUND CONSERVATION AREA - Fell 2 No. Willow trees, trees are to be removed as due to rapid regrowth following pollarding work in April 2022

have become unsightly in current location, x2 Oak tree to be replanted in close proximity to the willow trees location. Old Well Barn The Green Lund East Riding Of Yorkshire YO25 9TE. No Issues.

- iv. LUND CONSERVATION AREA - Erection of a two storey extension to rear with rear balcony and dormer window to side (AMENDED DESCRIPTION) Pembroke House 4 North Road Lund East Riding Of Yorkshire YO25 9TF – no amended plan included on site. Joanna Johnston to speak to ERYC. Suggest frosted glass in window. Same issues with hedge on original plans

18. Attendance at Parish Council Meetings and Future Meetings

Cllr Burns confirmed that she can attend the meetings on a Thursday. All others were comfortable with Thursdays. The Chapel can be used instead of the Village Hall if Thursdays are an issue. Dates for 2023 to be agreed with new Parish Clerk.

19. Any Other Business

- i. Cllr Prescott raised with Cllr Snowden that he had received complaints about Cllr Snowden's hedge on North Road. Cllr Snowden confirmed that he would cut the hedge once the Countryside Stewardship Scheme was complete.
- ii. Cllr Prescott confirmed that he had checked out the pond and it is very silted up and needs dredging. Parish Council to look into potential grants (watch out for pipeline grants).
- iii. Cllr Prescott thanks Joanna Johnston for her work as Parish Clerk as this was her last meeting.
- iv. Precept should be discussed at December meeting.
- v. Printer ink ordered £17.47 paid online. Note that it is becoming increasingly difficult to get the ink for this printer given its age. Suggest new printer included in the precept.

20. Date of next Meeting

The meeting closed at 9.45pm – the next meeting on **Tuesday 1st November 8pm at The Village Hall.**