

## **LUND PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of Council Meeting held on 11 May 2023, Methodist Chapel at 8 pm**

Present: Cllrs K Calvert (Chair), G Ward (Vice Chair), A Prescott, C Lamb, S Burns, C Wright, A Watts, J Wilcock (Ward Councillor), and G Cottrell (Parish Clerk)

1. **Apologies:** Cllrs J Astbury, I Snowden

2. **Public Participation**

None

3. **ERYC Councillors**

Cllr Wilcock accepted the warm congratulations of the meeting on his recent election, along with that of Cllr Stewart, who had not only polled the most votes of any Rural Ward Councillor, but also had already done great work for Lund in eliciting a promise from ERYC to update the current provision of street lighting by installing LED lamps. He explained that the three Ward Councillors, all Liberal Democrats, had shared out responsibility for attending Parish Council meetings between them, but all intended to meet every Parish Council at least twice a year: they would work for us in a spirit of intelligent collaboration. Discussion of the outmoded system of payment for street lighting and the issue of motorbike noise and danger on the B1248 followed and Cllr Wilcock agreed to raise both issues again. He left the meeting at 8.20 pm.

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

Councillors Lamb, Watts, Wright and Ward declared an interest in item 8 vi. (Village Hall), Councillors Lamb, Watts, Wright and Ward a non-pecuniary interest in item 8 vi. (Village Hall).

5. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 March 2023 were read and approved.

6. **Matters Arising from the minutes**

None

7. **ERYC matters and correspondence**

- i. Street Lighting – already discussed in item 3.
- ii. B1248/North Road Junction – also discussed in item 3.

8. **Updates**

- i. Jubilee Bench – still with Mr Mason
- ii. Telephone Box – with little likelihood of a grant being obtained it was perhaps time for a volunteer group to be formed.
- iii. Website – still waiting for servers to be updated.
- iv. The Forge – slow progress, Cllr Calvert would pursue verification of its ownership.
- v. Millennium Permissive Path – no news, but it needs cutting.
- iii. Village Hall – The meeting praised the events organised over the Coronation weekend as most enjoyable. The Clerk would arrange payment of the grant of £500 from ERYC to Cllr Watts, who had left the meeting at 8.30 pm (just after Item 7), as soon as he was able.

9. **Contingency Plan Revision**

This had been circulated, but would need further revision in the light of recent election results and to correct Cllr Wright's address and telephone number.

#### **10. Planning**

- i. 23/00457/PLF Hunsley House, 3 Lockington Road – this had been granted
- ii. 23/00871/TCA All Saints Church – Consultation – No objections.
- iii. 22/01926/PLF Benelux House – No update
- iv. 23/01231/TCA Clematis House 1 Eastgate – approved.

#### **11. Finance and Payments**

- i. Report and Accounts – these had been circulated and the Clerk acknowledged the considerable help he had received from Joanna Johnston in their preparation. Cllr Prescott proposed their adoption, seconded by Cllr Lamb and all were in favour.
- ii. External Audit – the paperwork for this had been downloaded and the internal Audit would now go ahead.
- iii. Clerk's Salary Payment – After brief discussion Cllr Lamb proposed and Cllr Wright seconded that a quarterly amount of £468.00 should be paid to the Clerk and £117.00 to HMRC.

#### **12. Any Other Business**

- i. Cllr Lamb had been told that a dog or dogs had been fouling. After discussion Cllr Burns agreed to pursue the matter as discretely as possible but involving the Dog Warden if necessary. The need for evidence was important.
- ii. The difficulty of some double decker buses turning after stopping at the Forge had led to them mounting the verges and thus scarring the Green. Pictorial evidence from a cameraman quick on the draw would be required to encourage the bus company to take any action.
- iii. It had been reported to the Clerk that the triangular duck was missing from the sign near the pond at the entrance to the Village from the B1248. This would be reported to the relevant section of ERYC.
- iv. Dogs had been seen off the leash in Levitt Lane and this was in breach of the agreement covering use of the Millennium Path. The Clerk was asked to include mention of this in his report to Lund Link which was due on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

#### **13. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting would be held on **Thursday 22 June at 8pm** in the **Methodist Chapel**.

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm.