

LUDGERSHALL TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of Ludgershall Town Council meeting held in the Scout Hall, Chapel Lane, Ludgershall on Tuesday 10th December 2019 at 7-00pm.

Present:	Cllr M Giles in the Chair	Cllr B Cordery
	Cllr V Dixon	Cllr C Giles
	Cllr N Allingham	Cllr O White
	Cllr M Williams	Cllr CA Allan
	Cllr B Dance	Cllr J White
	Cllr J McConnell	Cllr J Langley
	Cllr CD Allan	
Representatives:	WO1 M Elliott – 26 Engineer Regiment	Cllr C Williams - Wiltshire Council
	Col N Turner – Garrison Engagement	Rev T Laundon – St James Church
	PCSO – J Akehurst	
Public:	6 members of the public	

	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
	Before the meeting started a minutes silence was held to respect the recent death of Leighton Bull (previous WO1 and friend of LTC).	
149/19-20	1. Apologies – were received from Cllr D Downie and Cllr AJK Pickernell. The committee resolved to accept these apologies and record under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 40.	
150/19-20	2. Declaration of Interests – Cllrs J Langley, CA Allan & B Dance declared an interest in point 14.	
151/19-20	3. General Public – Questions – a representative from Buzz Action Foundation, requested that the Youth Club be put on the agenda in January for discussion, as the funding has now finished. Buzz Action can not run the youth club solely as they do not have the resources. They did run the youth club for the last 2 months without funding. The Trustees are needing funds to keep the building running and need to charge on to whoever is using the site. Cllr M Giles stated that this can be put on the agenda however, it is not a council run item. Cllr C Williams suggested that a smaller committee could be set up to help, he would like to be part of this along with the areas Community Engagement Manager. Cllr J McConnell stated that families are disappointed with the closure and thinks the council should have representatives on a committee with the trustees. Cllr M Giles said he would get a committee together asap, Clerk to confirm. The majority of the FTC supported a separate committee being set up. Another member of the public spoke about the problems of taking	Clerk

	<p>the Castle Street bend too fast. There have been many accidents because people take the bend too fast and he has had 5 cars written off. A recent accident (23rd November 2019) led to his and his son's car being damaged therefore he is now not parking outside his house anymore. However, if their cars had not been there the car that crashed would have been in his neighbours front room. Luckily the occupants of the vehicle all walked away. The police had advised them to install CCTV after the previous incident, so they have footage of this incident which has been handed to the Police. The problem is that there are not enough warnings regarding the bend and the layout of the road leads people to drive straight on towards his house. Some sort of Traffic Calming measures are required, suggestions crash barrier with chevrons, flashing sharp bend sign more chevrons prior to the bend. The committee discussed and agreed to support anything that can help this issue, the matter will need to be discussed at the next CATG meeting in January, Clerk to send CATG form. LTC will need to remember that they will be asked to pay a portion of the costs that are incurred, the Clerk stated that this has not been budgeted for but perhaps future CIL monies could be used. The PCSO will endeavor to get police support also. A Third question from the public regarding the weight restriction. Cllr C Williams explained that the restriction is not enforceable due to lighting of all signs not being completed. Once they are completed Clerk/Admin will endeavor to set a lorry watch scheme up and volunteers from both the council, businesses and residents will be needed.</p>	Clerk
152/19-20	<p>4. <u>Chairman's Report</u> – the Santa visits around Perham Down and Ludgershall were well received. The new Corunna Estate were so pleased and so was Wellington Academy.</p>	
153/19-20	<p>5. <u>Police Report</u> – PCSO J Akehurst reported that there has been 1 burglary, 1 theft, 3 criminal damage and 1 ASB. He asked if everyone could report anything that they felt could be ASB by calling 101 or online reporting, this will help direct patrols. He also stated that he will see if a Police speed watch could be set up for the Castle Street bend.</p>	
154/19-20	<p>6. <u>St James' Church report</u> –Rev Tim Laundon reported that the pastoral visiting team have completed their Macmillan training and are able to support Tidworth and Ludgershall.</p>	
155/19-20	<p>7. <u>26 Engineer Regiment report</u> – WO1 Marc Elliott first mentioned how he had enjoyed the recent Barn Dance held at the Memorial Hall (which looks great after its renovation) and looks forward to the next one. He said that the families that have moved into the Corunna Estate have felt very welcomed by Ludgershall and came and supported the Christmas Fayre. Cllr M Giles asked why there was no street lighting on Corunna Estate? Cllr C Williams stated they are all LED lights (which are carbon friendly) and can be turned brighter he will raise this issue and get them adjusted. Last week was charity week and lots of traditions and events occur within the Regiment.</p>	

156/19-20	<p>8. <u>Garrison Engagement report</u> – Lt Col Nick Turner reported that the Garrison Commander thought the TCAP Awards evening was excellent and well organized. The Garrison are taking a firm stance on fly tipping and are now imposing fines. They are also keeping an eye on inappropriate behaviour. A drink driving campaign is also in force and one serviceman has been caught. The Corunna Estate is now 85% occupied and comments from those families have been good.</p>	
157/19-20	<p>9. <u>Wiltshire Council report</u> – Cllr C Williams firstly mentioned that there is a pot of funding from Wiltshire Council whereby they want to put money towards those parishes that have not had investment in the community. The process will be by presentation at Area Board and he suggested the Community Building on the Corunna Estate would be a good candidate for this fund. The Clerk is working on the application and Cllrs will need to put a representation together and do some groundwork. LTC need to have a meeting to discuss further (Clerk to put on next 5 year plan subcommittee meeting), the committee then agreed to get the ball rolling by the clerk expressing an interest. All in favour. Cllr C Williams updated the committee on a query that had come from a resident who had read in the Andover Advertiser that there was to be an increase in the Pig Farm just outside of Ludgershall. He has spoken with Test Valley Borough Council Planning and the application had been withdrawn in November, therefore it was misinformation from the Advertiser. He apologized for misleading LTC regarding CATG meetings being open to the public, but it has been agreed that one resident can attend with LTC’s representative in January. Planning applications; for 5 houses on the Chicken Farm on Crawlboys Lane has been refused & the micropub at no.5 Andover Road has been approved.</p>	Clerk
158/19-20	<p>10. <u>Memorial Hall Committee Report</u> – Cllr N Allingham reported that the roof lights and the ceiling above the stage are finished, the entrance flooring and stairs have been recovered with non-slip vinyl flooring. Bookings; the Barn Dances and tabletop sales have been successful so will be continued, there will be a Burns Night event and they are looking at producing a 5 year plan to support their budgeting.</p>	
159/19-20	<p>11. <u>Minutes of the previous meeting held 12/11/19</u> – had been circulated prior to the meeting. No comments were made. Cllr B Cordery proposed the minutes, Cllr N Allingham seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41.</p>	
160/19-20	<p>12. <u>Correspondence</u> – a thank you from Wellington Academy had been received regarding Santa and sleigh appearing at their Christmas event and also a thank you from Bartlett House regarding the lovely food/cake that had been taken to them after the Remembrance Service.</p>	
161/19-20	<p>13. <u>Committee Reports</u> – Civic Events held 14/11/19 - Cllr CA Allan thanked all those that helped at the Christmas Fayre, everyone</p>	

	<p>worked very hard and although this event is not a money-making event LTC did actually have a small profit of £2.19. It would be even better if all Cllrs would support the events on the day. The minutes have been circulated, Cllr J McConnell proposed the minutes, Cllr B Dance seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41.</p> <p>Recreation, Leisure & Environment held 18/11/19 have been circulated. Cllr C Giles proposed the minutes, Cllr J McConnell seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41.</p> <p>Allotment, Cemetery and Car Park held 19/11/19 have been circulated. Cllr J Langley proposed the minutes, Cllr N Allingham seconded, the committee resolved to accept these minutes as true and accurate, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41. Cllr B Dance commented that the new gates in the cemetery are good.</p> <p>Finance & Policy held 27/11/19 have been circulated. Cllr B Cordery proposed the minutes, Cllr CA Allan seconded the committee resolved to accept these minutes as a true record, under the LGA 1972 Section 99 and Sch 12 para 41.</p>	Clerk/Admin
162/19-20	<p>14. Bills for Payment - these have been passed to the Committee. Cllr M Giles proposed these bills be paid, Cllr B Dance seconded, the committee resolved to pay these bills under the LGA 1972 Section 150. Clerk to make payments.</p>	Clerk
163/19-20	<p>15. Resolution for funding Play Parks & Skate Park Repairs – the committee discussed, and Cllr CA Allan proposed that LTC agree to resolve that the monies to pay for the repairs costing £10,236.56 should come from the Earmarked Play Equipment fund, Cllr M Williams seconded, the committee were all in favour, carried. Clerk to confirm with contractors that the works can begin.</p>	Clerk
164/19-20	<p>16. VE Day – 8th May 2020 – Cllr CA Allan to update committee plans from Civic Events and Residents/Businesses - Cllr CA Allan reported that she had spoke with a few businesses but that nothing has been arranged as yet. The Clerk confirmed that the Road Closure Management Company is provisionally booked, and she is waiting on Wiltshire Council Highways to confirm info re the 7.5 tonne limits. The committee asked the Clerk to set up a meeting with local business (PCSO J Akehurst would also like to be involved) to ascertain what help/ideas for the day can be given. Cllr M Giles will coordinate with Clerk.</p>	Cllr M Giles/Clerk
165/19-20	<p>17. Community Building & Wiltshire Council ‘Pot of Funding’ - this was spoken about at point 9. Clerk to contact CEM.</p>	Clerk
166/19-20	<p>18. Service Devolution – update – Cllr M Giles updated LTC regarding the last meeting of the 5 year plan subcommittee. LTC are being proactive and for information to be passed from Wiltshire Council a Commercial Confidentiality Agreement will need to be signed by all Cllrs. All agreed this was necessary and will sign the agreement. Clerk to start the process.</p>	Clerk

167/19-20	<p>19. <u>Precept</u> – precept calculations had been sent to all Cllrs prior to the meeting. The Clerk briefly went over the 2 options; Option 1 an increase of £11.74 per year for a band D property which is less than one packet of cigarettes. The increase is required to i) replenish funds which LTC have used to repair play equipment, repair the skateboard park and putting in CCTV and ii) to prepare for those costs that will be incurred when certain services are passed down to LTC from Wiltshire Council. Option 2 an increase of £7.36 per year for a band D property but reduces the precept from Option 1 by £7000 spread over number of cost centres. The committee discussed at length. It was suggested as the costs for CATG requests that LTC will be expected to pay, have not been budgeted then perhaps choosing Option 1 and using some of the £7000 that could have been saved in Option 2 and creating a budget would be the way forward. Cllr M Giles proposed that LTC choose Option 1, Cllr J White seconded, all in favour, carried. Clerk will prepare precept forms and send to Wiltshire Council.</p>	Clerk
168/19-20	<p>20. <u>CATG requests – Castle Street Bend</u> – already discussed at point 3. Clerk to send request to CATG.</p>	Clerk
169/19-20	<p>21. <u>Agenda points for next month</u> – Community Building.</p>	

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.30pm, the next meeting will be on **14th January 2020**, 7pm at the Scout Hall, Chapel Lane, Ludgershall.

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