

LUDESDown PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2015 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, LUDESDown AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs Anne Moorhouse Vice-chairman
 Cllr Mrs Kate Rogers
 Cllr Mrs Sally Stanier

 Mrs Roxana Brammer Clerk

Item *Action point*
Minute number 2015/16/

1 APOLOGIES

125 Apologies for absence were received from

Cllr Chris Mileson	Away on business
Cllr Noel Clark	Prior engagement

Apologies for absence were also received from Mrs Roxana Brammer, Clerk to the Council and from Cllrs Bryan Sweetland, Kent County Council and Samir Jassal, Gravesham Borough Council.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

126 None.

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 SEPTEMBER 2015

127 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Stanier, seconded by Cllr Mrs Rogers and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2015 be signed as a true record, subject to the following amendment:

C/09/15/13a minute 2015/16/102: delete "had been Installed" and insert "would be installed".

4 MATTERS ARISING

128 None.

5 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19 OCTOBER 2015

129 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Rogers, seconded by Cllr Mrs Stanier and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 19th October 2015 be signed as a true record.

6 MATTERS ARISING130 a **Cllr Sweetland**

Cllr Mrs Moorhouse reported that Cllr Sweetland would no longer be attending meetings of the Parish Council unless specifically requested.

131 b **C/10/15/7 minute 2015/16/120: Presentations to Former Councillors**

It was felt that presentations to former councillors Mandie Jones and Paul Gillard must be done by year-end so a book token was decided upon for Mr Gillard. Cllr Mrs Moorhouse would organise and speak to the Clerk to see if she had progressed the token for Mrs Jones. Value for tokens £30. Cllr Mrs Moorhouse volunteered her home for a small gathering to make the presentations and she would speak to Mrs Jones about a suitable date.

7 PLANNING132 a **Applications**

None.

133 b **Decisions**

None notified.

c **Appeals and Other Matters**134 i **Greenbelt Review**

Cllr Mileson had asked Cllr Mrs Moorhouse to report that James Ferrin had told him that the greenbelt review would be going ahead, but at a slow pace.

8 FINANCE135 a **Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.

136 b **Cheques signed since last meeting**

None.

137 d **Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse, seconded by Cllr Mrs Stanier and agreed the accounts for payment (cheques 551 – 553) as listed in Appendix B be approved.

9 GRANT APPLICATIONS138 a **North West Kent Volunteer Centre**

No grant made.

10 TRANSPARENCY CODE

139 Deferred for more information as to funding available.

11 RECREATION GROUND

140 Cllr Mrs Stanier reported that there had been more damage caused by a vehicle but Gravesham Borough Council had installed posts at both entrances, since when there had been no more damage.

12 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT**141 a Public Rights of Way**

Cllr Mrs Stanier had nothing to report.

142 b Henley Street

It was reported that the hedge had been cut by the owner and that KCC Highways had deemed the pothole outside 'Berkeley' as not to be worth remedial action.

144 c GBC Transport Panel

In Cllr Milesen's absence, there was no report.

13 GRAVESHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING FOR PARISH CHAIRMEN

145 Cllr Mrs Moorhouse gave Cllr Milesen's report. Refuse sacks should be delivered in January, April, July and October, Stuart Alford had reported a fall in the number of contacts re missing sacks. Luddesdown are reported as having requested a stock of sacks, delivery point to be confirmed. Fly tipping should be reported via the website or customer contact centre

14 KALC GRAVESHAM AREA COMMITTEE

146 Cllr Mrs Rogers reported that Gurvinder Sandher from Kent Equality Council had been in attendance. He had recently been co-opted on Longfield and New Barn PC. Fly-tipping – Bryan Sweetland confirmed a commitment to prosecute fly-tippers but acknowledged that catching the offenders was very difficult. Pensions for employees mandatory from 2017. HGV parking still a concern on the A2 – the push must be for more lorry parks to ease this. Gravesend parking now free for up to 2 hrs on a Saturday. Thames crossing – all were encouraged to read and sign the letter that Bryan Sweetland produced. Next meeting Feb 16th.

15 REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS**147 a Rural Forum**

Cllr Mrs Moorhouse reported that the meeting held on 17th October had been attended by Cllr Milesen.

148 b Gravesham Rights of Way Committee

Cllr Mrs Stanier had attended the meeting held on 22nd October. The Darnley Trial

bridleway was now completed. The Countryfile television programme had been invited to attend the official opening. There was a push for horsebox parking at Shorne country park and the number to call for horsebox parking at Jeskyns is 07937 379789.

16 WEBSITE

149 Nothing to report.

17 ACTION WITH COMMUNITIES IN RURAL KENT PROJECT

150 The project was not considered relevant to Luddesdown.

18 POLICE MATTERS

151 Nothing to report.

19 CONSULTATION

152 No documents received.

20 CORRESPONDENCE

153 None.

21 REPORTS AND CIRCULARS

154 The reports and circulars as listed on the agenda were received.

22 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

155 No matters were raised.

The Chairman thanked councillors for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45 pm

Signed Chairman

On the day of 2016