

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LYNDHURST PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT LYNDHURST COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAY 13 MAY 2014

Present: Mr M Rollé (Chairman), Mr M Abbott, Mr G Bisson, Mrs A Butcher, Mr J Charlesworth, Mr L Cornell, Mrs H Klaassen, Mrs A Trend, Mr A Wiltshire, the Revd Dr C Wilkins and Mrs P Wyeth.

Clerk to the Council: Mrs M Weston

In attendance: Mr C Marsh, Press representative

1. Election of Chairman

The Clerk asked for nominations for the position of Chairman for the ensuing year.

Mr Abbott proposed and Mrs Wyeth seconded that Mr Rollé be elected Chairman. There were no other nominations.

RESOLVED: That Mr Rollé be elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

2. Election of Vice Chairman

Mr Rollé asked for nominations for the position of Vice Chairman for the ensuing year. Mr Bisson proposed and Mrs Butcher seconded that Mrs Klaassen be elected Vice Chairman. There were no other nominations.

RESOLVED: That Mrs Klaassen be elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

3. Public Participation

Mrs Palacio said she didn't like the colour of the new hoardings that had been erected around the building site in Gosport Lane. All agreed that they looked better now there were notices on the hoardings as well. These notices had been put up by the developer as a temporary measure to advertise the homes that would shortly be erected on the site.

4. Election of Committees

The following Committees were elected for the ensuing year:

Allotment Committee – Mrs Klaassen, Mrs Butcher, Mr Kaljura, Mr Wiltshire.

Amenities Committee – Mr Bisson, Mr Charlesworth, Mr Cornell, Mr Kaljura, Mrs Trend and Mrs Wyeth.

Cemetery Committee – Mr Wiltshire, Mrs Butcher, Mr Charlesworth, Mr Cornell, Mrs Trend, and the Revd Dr Wilkins

Planning Committee – Mr Abbott, Mr Bisson, Mrs Butcher, Mr Charlesworth, Mr Cornell, Mrs Klaassen and the Revd Dr Wilkins

Recreation Committee – Mr Rollé, Mr Cornell, Mr Kaljura, Mrs Klaassen and Mrs Trend

Chairman and Vice Chairman to be invited to attend all Committees. A quorum will consist of two Councillors and the Clerk.

5. Representatives to Outside Bodies

The following representatives were appointed to outside bodies for the ensuing year:

Village Decorations Committee – Mr Bisson

Public Transport – Mr Cornell

Village Twinning Committee – Mr Bisson

Lyndhurst Welfare Charities – Mrs Wyeth/Mr Abbott

NFALC – Mr Bisson

Chamber of Trade – Mr Charlesworth/Mrs Wyeth

New Forest Consultative Panel – Mr Abbott

Lyndhurst Community Centre – Mr Charlesworth
NFNPA Quadrant meetings – Mr Bisson
Royal British Legion – Mr Wiltshire

6. Disclosures of Interest

None.

7. Apologies for Absence

None – all present.

8. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8 April 2014 were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

9. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None.

10. Minutes of Committee Meetings

The minutes of the following Committee meetings held since the date of the last meeting were approved:

Planning Committee	22 April 2014
Amenities Committee	29 April 2014

11. Dementia Friendly Parish Council

The Revd Dr Wilkins reported that in order to qualify as a dementia friendly parish council Councillors and the Clerk would need to complete a 45 minute dementia awareness session.

RESOLVED: That the Revd Dr Wilkins enquire whether it would be possible to undertake the session on the evening of a Parish Council meeting, perhaps organised through Debbie Morshead.

12. Skateboard Equipment Project

Mr Kaljura reported that he had been looking at the costs and Gravity has now come back to us with a new quotation for £37,225. This quotation was lower than previously, largely due to the fact that the surface has changed. With regard to the base he had been talking to the Forestry Commission about using concrete and to potential users to ensure that they favoured the changes. The only likely maintenance would be approximately £200 - £300 per year for paint. It was envisaged that an Open Day would be held when the equipment had been installed.

RESOLVED: That a vote of thanks to Mr Kaljura be minuted for the comprehensive amount of work he had put into ensuring the success of this project.

13. Picnic in the Park

The Clerk reported that all arrangements for the event were well in hand. The weather was now the main factor in ensuring the success of the event but regardless of this factor there would not be any overheads involved for the Parish Council.

14. County Councillor's Report

Mr Mans reported that the bus pass timings were likely to change to 9.30 am. The cost of repairing highways would be £68M with £15M definitely being available from central funding although it was hoped there would be other sources. Fibre optic broadband continued to be rolled out in the county. County Councillors' devolved budgets would be available from the beginning of June. The Clerk asked if money might be available for Picnic in the Park and Mr Mans said that provided it was for a specific

and worthwhile item it would be considered suitable for consideration. It was reported that the questionnaire regarding public transport had a very good response. Mr Kaljura asked about the upgrading of the cycle track surface and Mr Mans confirmed that there should be some changes to the road surface. Mr Charlesworth said that a schedule of maintenance was needed for the cycle path. Mrs Trend reported that potholes had reappeared very quickly in roads resurfaced in Emery Down. Mr Mans agreed to see if anything could be done about the situation in Mill Lane.

15. District Councillor's Report

Mrs Wyeth reported that agreement had been reached regarding the surface of the cycle path and noted that although previously the ground surface of the new bus shelter on the A35 had not been appropriate, agreement had now been reached for it to be changed to something fit for purpose. Work at Stag Yard is progressing well. The Planning Authority are still waiting to hear further from the Government regarding their legislation for affordable homes.

Mr Charlesworth congratulated NFDC on repairs speedily undertaken to damaged car park signage.

Mr Abbott felt that remedial action should have been taken on the willows on the left hand side of the A337 and asked if HCC could pick up the sandbags in Gosport Lane. It was noted that there were large holes by the footpath exit from the Meadows into Gosport Lane.

16. Correspondence

None. All items had been emailed to Parish Councillors during the month.

17. Accounts

The Clerk submitted accounts which had been paid or had become due for payment since the date of the last meeting, as detailed in Appendix A, and these were approved.

18. Arthur Phillip

Mrs Trend reported that a Heritage Lottery Fund grant had now been secured for £8,800 and their logo was now been displayed on all items. The grant would have to be used by December 2014. There would be a guided walk around the village. A photocall had taken place this morning at the New Forest Centre to coincide with the Press release. There would be four panel frames in the Community Centre corridor and this would provide an archive and lasting heritage. There would be an official reception at Appletree Court on 14 July and celebration wash-up later in the year. The Arthur Phillip Exhibition would be opening at the New Forest Centre, on 7th June 2014, with a preview evening on 6th June to which all Parish Councillors were invited. There would also be a talk at NFC on the 9th June. A flyer about both events was circulated to those present.

19. Cemetery

The Clerk reported that a complaint had been dealt with regarding strimming of daffodils from a grave. Although we have dealt with this complaint sympathetically it must be noted that grave owners are not actually entitled to plant or place anything on graves. This is allowed at the Parish Council's discretion. In this case, as a goodwill gesture, the Parish Council will replace the daffodil bulbs in the Autumn in case they do not flower next Spring.

Mr Wiltshire gave an update on the position regarding the supply of electricity/water to the Cemetery and Chapel. Directional drilling at a cost of £24,000 + VAT was not likely to be suitable, nor was taking services from the cricket club pavilion. Trenching would be cheaper and water and electricity supplies could be installed in the same trench, but without connecting the water supply at the present time. This would necessitate going across Beaulieu Road and the responsibility for the road surface condition would fall to the Parish Council. Solar panels were not thought appropriate due to the position of the Chapel.

Due to the fact that the growing season had commenced earlier this year it had been necessary to employ Weed It and Reap for extra hours but it was hoped that this would be evened out over the course of the year. Paths have been sprayed with moss killer.

The Clerk has been talking to NFNPA Tree Officer, regarding the dying tree at the back of the Chapel and the tree near the lych gate that was damaged in the storms earlier this year. The dying tree can be removed at any time (no permission required) but we will need to put in an application for removal of the other tree. This will be granted and it is suggested we plant a yew, holly or hawthorn to replace it. We are negotiating with tree surgeons regarding the work.

20. Reports from Representatives of Outside Bodies

Mr Abbott had attended a meeting of the New Forest Consultative Panel. Topics discussed had included an update from the Head of Environment and Rural economy, charter for cycle events and HLS river restrictions.

Mr Charlesworth said there would be a D-Day commemorative concert on 7 June, at which our MP Dr Julian Lewis and Vicar James Bruce would be present. Tickets were £9 per person and the concert would commence at 7.00 for 7.15 pm.

Mr Bisson reported that there would be a concert at Lockerley on 6 June entitled Music from Times of Conflict. The twinning weekend would be in two weeks' time.

The Chairman reported that Southampton Football Club player Ricky Lambert had attended the Lyndhurst Junior Football Club award ceremony and had spent a lot of time with the youngsters.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk write to Southampton Football Club to thank them for this gesture.

21. Dates for Future Committee Meetings

Dates set for future Committee meeting as follows:

Planning Committee	Tuesday 27 May	7.15 pm	Lyndhurst Community Centre
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22. Items for Discussion at the Next Meeting

Items brought forward from the May Agenda and meeting
Any items brought to the attention of the Clerk by 3 June 2014

In the absence of any other business the Chairman thanked those present for attending and closed the meeting.

Chairman _____

Date _____

APPENDIX A

The following accounts which had become due for payment or have been paid since the date of the last meeting were authorised for payment:-

ACCOUNTS PAID BETWEEN MEETINGS - APRIL/MAY 2014

	Amount	VAT	Total
HM Revenue and Customs			
PAYE and NI payments	1027.23		1027.23
TLC Online			
Picnic in the Park banners	135.00		135.00
Mr K Bennett			
Cemetery Maintenance	944.00		
Recreation Ground Maintenance	320.00		
Total			1264.00
TLC Online			
Picnic in the Park	46.40		
Arthur Phillip	728.00		
Total			774.40

ACCOUNTS DUE FOR PAYMENT - MAY 2014 MEETING

Mrs M Weston			
Clerk's Salary and Expenses	1674.33		1674.33
St John Ambulance			
Picnic in the Park first aid kit	32.33	6.47	38.80
Lyndhurst & District Community Association			
Advertisement - war memorial/allotments	15.00		
Advertisement - Picnic in the Park	15.00		
PC meeting	22.50		
Planning Cte meeting	22.50		
Picnic in the Park meeting	22.50		
Amenities Cte meeting	22.50		
Picnic in the Park Queen/Princess judging	32.00		
Total			152.00
Mr C Payne			
Allotment water supply	65.00		65.00
Elliott Group Ltd			
Picnic in the Park portable toilets	310.00	62.00	372.00
New Forest District Council			
GIS Partnership contribution	100.00		
Chargeable services re Arthur Phillip project	50.00		
Total			150.00
National Portrait Gallery			
Arthur Phillip portrait print	107.50	21.50	129.00
Mr A Wiltshire			
Extension lead for PITP	28.78		28.78
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