

Minutes of the meeting of Lyndhurst Parish Council held on Tuesday 13 November 2018 at 7.15 p.m. at Lyndhurst Community Centre

Present: Councillors M Rollé (Chairman), G Bisson, Cllr. P Burrows, T Dunning, Cllr. Cllr. F Green, G Reeve, S Se-Upara, A Trend, A Wiltshire and P Wyeth.

In Attendance: C Howe – Locum Clerk/RFO.

Public: 16 members of the public (part of the meeting).

95. Declarations of Interests

None.

96. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Revd. Dr. Caroline Wilkins, C. Willsher and Clerk to the Parish Council, M Weston.

97. Public participation

A representative from Mill Lane, Emery Down spoke for 20 minutes on the problems arising as a result of traffic using Mill Lane/Emery Down as a 'rat run' to avoid the traffic queues in Lyndhurst. LPC will put the item forward to be included on the Agenda for a future meeting and will also write a follow up letter to HCC requesting a resolution to this problem.

98. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting on 9 October 2018

The minutes of the meeting on 9 October 2018 were confirmed as a true and accurate record and duly signed by the Chairman.

99. Presentation by Ms. Rachel Higgins, Air Quality Officer NFDC

Mrs Rachel Higgins explained the findings on pollution in Hampshire and, in particular, the New Forest where there are currently around 100 deaths per year linked to pollution. New evidence has been gathered which demonstrates the harm nitrogen oxide, sulphur monoxide, carbon dioxide and particulates do to the human body. Pollution is now known to be linked to cardiovascular conditions like heart attacks and strokes, dementia and lung diseases (children being most severely affected as their lungs are not fully developed).

Currently, the U.K. falls short of EU regulations on levels of pollution. The measures to improve the quality of air, rely primarily on new technology in the manufacture of cars and the emissions reduction. In Lyndhurst the green filter on the traffic lights at the top of the High Street is helping to reduce the pollution levels by reducing the wait time for cars and lorries. The main problem in this area is due to a 'canyon' effect; narrow, tall buildings trapping harmful chemicals and particulates. There are 26 sites being monitored in Lyndhurst, the top of the High Street from the school to the traffic lights being the most polluted. The air quality will continue to be monitored although Mrs Higgins was not sure how much longer as the levels remain fairly constant.

100. Matters arising

None.

Chairman:

101. Minutes of Committee Meetings held since the date of the last P.C. Meeting

Planning Committee Meeting held on 23 October 2018

102. County Councillor's Report – Cllr Edward Heron

Not present.

103. District Councillor's Report – Cllr Pat Wyeth

Cllr. Wyeth reported that the District Council are giving four days' free parking this year; namely 1, 8, 22 and 23 December.

40,000 people had used the tour bus this summer which brought people to the area and increased revenue to Lyndhurst. This is 50% up on last year's figures.

NFDC have a New Chief Planning Officer, Claire Upton-Brown who starts at NFDC in February 2019. Ms. Upton-Brown currently works at Portsmouth City Council.

104. Lyndhurst Park Hotel Planning Appeal

This item was not discussed as Councillors are meeting with Steve Avery on the 19 November to discuss the appeal.

105. Residents' Survey

In the absence of Cllr. Willsher this item will be carried over to the next meeting.

106. To discuss the positioning of an animal silhouette

RESOLVED: That the Locum Clerk contact the Verderers to ascertain if LPC can place an animal silhouette at the junction of Beaulieu Road and the High Street on the small piece of land containing the cycle racks (near LPH).

107. Finance

(a) Payments made were authorised and cheques signed after an amendment was made to correct the payments schedule as follows:

Date	Details	Amount	VAT	Total
13.11.18	ITEC	49.78	9.96	59.74
	<i>Photocopier charges</i>			
	ADH Cleaning Services	42.00		42.00
	<i>Office window cleaning</i>			
	RTS Fencing	2500.00	500.00	3000.00
	<i>Recreation Ground track</i>			
	L&DCA	70.50		70.50
	<i>Room hire</i>			
	SCAS	1000.00		1000.00
	<i>Grant Aid - Ambulance trust</i>			
	ITEC	24.94	4.99	29.93
	<i>Photocopier charges</i>			

Chairman:

Mrs C Howe	1610.95		1610.95
<i>Locum Clerk Salary/Exps</i>			
Mrs M Weston	1588.40		1588.40
<i>Clerk's Salary/Exps</i>			
ITEC	24.94	4.99	29.93
<i>Photocopier charges</i>			
Florality	35.00		35.00
<i>Flowers re Clerk</i>			
Mr D Thomas	760.00		760.00
<i>Burial Plot refund</i>			
L&DCA	19.00		19.00
<i>Ad in What's On</i>			
HMRC	942.94		942.94
<i>PAYE/NI re Clerk</i>			
Mint Gardens Ltd			
<i>Cupboard purchase/installation</i>	87.00	17.40	
<i>Maintenance - Rec Ground</i>	300.00	60.00	
<i>Maintenance - Great Mead</i>	90.00	18.00	
<i>Maintenance Allotments</i>	150.00	30.00	
<i>Maint/Materials - Cemetery</i>	1499.00	299.80	
<i>Total</i>			2551.20
Mrs C Howe	4.99		4.99
<i>Expenses - pens</i>			
Total	10799.44	945.14	11744.58

(b) To agree and sign the monthly Bank Reconciliation.

Agreed and signed by the Chairman.

(c) To receive the Quarterly Budget Report.

The Quarterly Budget Control Report was received and the Chairman stated that the F&GP Committee would be meeting on 20 November to further discuss the budget requirement for 2019/20 when the Clerk/RFO would be present.

108. To receive any correspondence not previously circulated

All correspondence had been previously circulated to Council.

109. Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

Cllr. Bisson reported that the Christmas Lights are all up. Council thanked Cllr. Bisson and remarked on how lovely they looked.

Cllrs., Se-Upara and Green hosted a neighbourhood watch meeting and were very pleased to report that ten residents attended. When the scheme is rolled out, other residents can then be invited to join.

Chairman:

The Chairman reminded Council of the following meetings to take place:

Lyndhurst Park Hotel Planning Appeal – 19 November - 7.15 pm - Lyndhurst Community Centre
Finance and General Purposes Committee – 20 November - 7.15 pm - Lyndhurst Community Centre

Planning Committee - 27 November - 5.00 pm - Lyndhurst Community Centre

In the absence of any other business the Chairman thanked those present for attending and closed the meeting at 9.00 pm.

Chairman _____

Date _____

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