**LUDHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of Ludham Parish Council held on Tuesday 7th March 2023 in the Church Rooms, Ludham

at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllr A Lupson (Chairman)

Cllr P Wall

Cllr J Wright

Cllr P Lane

Cllr L Grist (arr 7.45pm)

Cllr T Gabriel

Cllr C Willoughby

Cllr A Lumbard

Cllr M Monk

Cllr K Gilden

Cllr B Tubby

 Clerk and RFO: J Beardshaw

1. **Welcome to the public**: The Chairman welcomed 3 members of the public. The County and District Councillors had sent their apologies
2. **Apologies for absence:**  Cllr Routledge had sent her apologies, which were accepted.

**Declarations of interest**: Cllr Tubby noted a potential prejudicial and pecuniary interest in item 9ai on the basis that the application neighbours his property and that he might benefit from the proposed reservoir. The Chairman discussed this interest with Cllr Tubby and it was agreed that Cllr Tubby may be called upon to offer information but not to give opinion on the application on the basis that there is some objective element to the application. Council agreed

1. **To consider and approve** the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 7th February 2023, and matters arising from those minutes. The minutes were **Approved**
2. **Correspondence:**
	1. Glass recycling paperwork finalised. Payments of approximately £700 for the year, with income of approximately £905 on 9th March. Noted at the February meeting that this also is a service to tourists as well as parishioners. Noted
	2. Parishioner. Update on noticeboard. The Clerk had researched notice boards and Councillors had looked at various options. A noticeboard would be purchased as required for the wall of Throwers.
	3. Bakers Arms Green update on bins. **Cllr Monk** kindly agreed to remove the dog bin and store it accordingly
	4. NCC. Norwich Western Link update. The Clerk explained that there had been a delay in the progress of the Western Link for a further 6 months
	5. Clerk. Hedge cutting update. It was noted that the hedge cutting had taken place and that the Village Hall committee were pleased with the result
	6. Parishioner. Update on Warm rooms and the Household Grant. Noted
	7. Councillor. Concern regarding lighting at Flogas sight. It was noted that there had been some issues with lighting at the Flogas sight, which had been resolved.
	8. NALC. Electric charging points. NCC had contacted the Council asking if it were interested in running a pilot scheme for electric charging points. Funding had been received from central government for the scheme. Following discussion, it was **AGREED**  that there are various sites within the village for charging points – such as Womack Staithe, the Village Hall car park and the Ludham Bridge Staithe. The Clerk would ask for additional information from NALC
3. **Reports:**
	1. Playground reports:
		1. Notice / what three words. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would arrange for signage for the playground including What Three Words
		2. Soil under swings. **Cllr Tubby** kindly agreed to organise this
		3. Seat cleaning. **Cllr Willoughby** would arrange a working party with the school
		4. **Cllr Monk** would look at fixing the playground bin or replacing it
	2. Councillors. First aider required for New Year’s Eve Fireworks display. Noted
4. **Adjourn meeting.**

**The Chairman had adjourned the meeting at 2006 hrs for the public session**

**The Chairman** **reconvened the meeting at 2010**

1. **To discuss agenda items:**
	1. To consider plans / ideas for the Coronation weekend. Cllr Willoughby explained to the Council that she and a group of parishioners were considering organising various Coronation events such as a Big lunch on the Sunday for a Coronation picnic. **The Clerk** would look into a grant for the Coronation events
	2. To consider suggestions regarding a safe pedestrian route from Ludham Bridge to the village, and to make decisions as deemed necessary. **Cllr Lane**  would look at options for a QR code for visitors and the Clerk would purchase signs as required
2. **Planning Applications:**
	1. **To consider and agree responses to planning application as follows:**
		1. BA/2022/0357/FUL. Field 500 metres west of Limes Farm, Blind Road. A balanced cut and fill earth moving operation to create an irrigation reservoir for the storing of winter abstractions. The Parish Council resolved to offer no comment to this application
	2. **To receive decisions on planning applications as follows:**
		1. PF/22/0788. Mill House, High Mill Hill. Change of use from residential to office use. Pending consideration by NNDC (31.03.23). Agreed expiry date 17.02.23.
3. **Outstanding Highways matters for updates:**
	1. FP14 roundels missing.ENQ900215429
	2. Footpath to village / Ludham Bridge signage. **As per agenda item**
	3. Road surface outside Kings Arms. ENQ900216465.

1. **Finance**
	1. The Chairman noted that he had seen and confirmed the bank reconciliations for the month.
	2. The following receipts were noted:
	3. **The following payments were authorised:**

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| **VAT Date** | **Format** | **Payee** | **Detail** | **Amount £** | **Inc VAT £** |
|  | DD | Peakes | Grass cutting | 509.00 |  |
|  | Chq 01 | Clerk | Salary and expenses  | 725.58 |  |
|  | BACS | NPF  | Pension (partly paid by Clerk) | 235.21 |  |
|  | BACS | HMRC | Tax (paid by Clerk)  | 110.78 |  |
|  | DD | PCC | Church News | 180.00 |  |

1. **At the Chairman’s discretion:**
	1. It was agreed that the Council had nominated Cllr Lumbard as an additional flood warden during the month as he had stepped forward and offered to undertake the role
2. **Items for the Parish News**
	1. Rubbish
	2. Vaping rubbish
3. **To confirm that the next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 4th April 2023 in the Church Rooms at 7.30pm.**

The meeting closed at 2115 hrs