

LUCKINGTON & ALDERTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LUCKINGTON AND ALDERTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9th July 2014 AT 7.30PM, IN LUCKINGTON VILLAGE HALL.

PRESENT

Chairman	Mr A Stopforth (AS)	
Councillors	Mr R McCraith (RM)	Mr N Banks (NB)
	Mr P Bamford (PB)	Mr N Neal (NN)
	Mr J Buckley (JB)	Mr G Lynham (GL)
Parish Council Clerk	Mrs V Allman (VA) & Mrs S Wood (SW) (outgoing Clerk)	

One member of the public attended

488. LAPC welcomes the new Parish Clerk

AS welcomed VA.

489. Apologies

Apologies were given by County Councillor Thomson.

490. Declaration of interests.

No interests were declared.

491. Members of the public are invited to address the Council on agenda items.

A member of the public asked the council about an obscured footpath, blocked to the north of Luckley Farm on Sopworth Road.

ACTION NB to remind warden to put on list.

The member of public also asked if he could replace the dead tree on the green on Cherry Orchard Lane and would ask for contributions from surrounding properties. This was approved.

492. Approval of Minutes of last meeting.

The June minutes were approved.

493. Matters arising from the June minutes.

Email received from a member of the public RE: resurfacing from The Rathold up to Fosse Lodge. It was agreed that this should have read 'partially resurface' in last minutes. (483)

Salt scheme - form has been sent off.

Insurance – SW still not heard back from Insurance Company. VA to chase.

Cheque has been sent to Luckington School for grass cutting.

SW confirmed details with Miranda Gilmour.

494. Planning

Application – 14/05627/TCA – Work to Trees in Cons Area - Playing Field, Church Lane, Luckington
The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

Application 14/05744/FUL – Two Storey Side Extension and Single Storey Rear Extension – Doonbye Cottage, The Street. Alderton

The Parish Council had no overall objections to this application. However, support was subject to traditional materials being used (brick/stone) and the finished build being 'in keeping' with the rest of the village.

Application 14/05970/TCA – Fell 1 Leylandii Tree, Brookside Cottage, Brook End

The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

495. Correspondence

495.1 Cllr Lynham – Resignation

AS accepted GL's resignation as Councillor. The council thanked GL for everything he has done.

ACTION - VA to advertise vacant Councillor position.

495.2 Wiltshire Council – CIL Levy Consultation

All Councillors were asked to view online and respond if they wish.

495.3 Wiltshire Open Spaces Study –

Questionnaire to be filled out - **ACTION** RM to reply

495.4 Wiltshire Council – Section 106 Statement

The Parish has received a significant contribution from the development of Lyppiatt Barn, this expires 03/09/2018

Criteria are as follows:

Funds are collected to specifically meet local needs to increase, enhance or create new outdoor recreation areas. Children's play areas are the frequently cited example, the following table sets out further examples of new or enhanced facilities that will probably be acceptable

Children	Youth	Adult
Swings and slides	Skateboard parks	Football pitch / goal posts
Activity centres	Basketball courts / hoops	Cricket pitches / score boards
Springer's	Rebound walls	Tennis courts / nets
Land purchase for recreational use	Fencing around recreation grounds and play areas	Improved access to increase use including disabled

The following are examples of what probably may not be allowed

Maintenance	Bus Stops	Extensions to Village Halls
Bins for Village Greens	General fencing - maintenance	Speed humps
Indoor recreation / Community	Repairs	Salaries
Project management	Tables and Chairs	

The council would like the community to have a say in how this money is spent and invite ideas to be sent to clerk@luckington.org.uk or to attend the next Parish meeting in September.

ACTION VA to ask Community Matters to circulate details.

496. Finance

The receipts balances and accounts for payment were circulated –

The accounts below were approved for payment by the Council.

<u>Luckington and Alderton Parish Council</u>	
<u>Financial Data as at 9th July 2014</u>	
	£
<u>Bank account balances at the report date:</u>	
Barclays Current Account	8,143.54
Barclays Deposit Account	2,836.18
<u>Total balances</u>	<u>10,979.72</u>
<u>Payments for approval at this meeting:</u>	
Ashley Stopforth - New PC for clerk/PC	329.95
Sherston PO - Internal auditor gift	17.65
<u>Total payments for approval today</u>	<u>347.60</u>
<u>Receipts given this month</u>	
Paddock Rent 2014	60.00
SSE Wayleaver Fee	29.78
Total	89.78

497. Update on banking arrangements – with GL leaving a new signatory is needed. RM was formally appointed as the new signatory. It was also agreed that the Clerk and signatories would have access to view the bank accounts online. **ACTION** – GL willing to sort out banking documentation before leaving. Bank statements to be sent to VA.

498. Update on Luckington Cemetery

JB reported that the notice board at the cemetery is beyond repair and therefore a new board and map are needed. **ACTION** – PB to look into this matter and report back.

NB would like it noted that the Parish Council board in Luckington and Alderton both need updating too.

JB also reported on state of grass cutting – new processes now in place alongside the existing contractual agreement to improve quality of grass cutting. Date on which he cuts the grass to be clarified, VA to check.

499. To discuss the tree growth on the Rathole

Avis Holder had raised this issue with Cllr Stopforth. After discussion it was decided that, regrettably, the Parish Council cannot act with regards to this matter.

500. To discuss the pavement repairs in Alderton

This has also been raised by Avis Holder. JB reported that he believes there has been a mistake with regards to the area of pavement that has been fixed and has involved Matt Perrott (the highway co-ordinator). The situation is being assessed.

501. Update on Highway Issues – reported by JB

Matters reported before are still ongoing. The Badminton end of Luckington Lane has now been repaired, but the Alderton end has yet to be done and there may be a delay to this due to difficulties and delays in Network Rail releasing the necessary funding. JB to keep in contact with Highways agency.

502. Items for next month's agenda and other matters for information only.

- Election of a new Vice-Chair
- Election of a councillor to be in charge of Finance
- Internal Audit
- Software Issues – monthly or one-off payment. AS to report
- 'Keep off Grass' sign – NB to report
- Bus shelter graffiti
- 'Green Waste Collection' online survey – raised by NB
- Dog waste bins on Cherry Orchard Lane (raised by 'concerned Cherry Orchard Lane residents')

Lastly, we have received an email from Richard Gernonn with regards to the memorial service of Les Robinson on Saturday 23rd August at 14.00.

He writes:

Les Robson was a native of Luckington, and lived in *The Bothy* cottages and occasionally at Luckington Court, as his parents were head cook and head grounds man for the families there for many years. He also lived at 18 Avon Rise.

His brother, Ken, lived on Avon Rise too, with his wife Maggie and their two daughters, Maureen and Pam. Les moved to Chippenham in about 1964 when he married my mother, but continued to frequent Luckington for work and socialising; mainly in The Ship. Unfortunately Les passed away on 15 April 2014, and requested to be cremated and then have his ashes scattered in Luckington. The cremation took place at Semington.

I have now arranged a **memorial service for Les** at Luckington Church on **Saturday, August 23rd at 14:00** when the Reverend Daniels will conduct the service.

I thought it would be a good idea to pass news of this to the villages, so any of the elderly friends and acquaintances of Les — who were either unaware of his dying, or were unable to attend the funeral service — may yet be able to pay their last respects.

I am Les' stepson, Richard Gernonn, and I see this as Les's final journey, and his "coming home". With the consent of the parish council, his ashes will be scattered over his brother's grave in the local cemetery. Ken passed away some ten years ago, and it seems fitting that the brothers will be reunited after a lifetime of growing up, socialising and working together.

I hope a short message will be sufficient to let parishioners know of the service, so they can attend if they wish.

Kind regards,
Richard Gernonn.

503. Public Question Time

No Questions.

504. Time and Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be on the 10th September 2014 at Alderton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm.

The minutes were taken by Victoria Allman, Clerk to Luckington and Alderton Parish Council.