

LUCKINGTON & ALDERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LUCKINGTON AND ALDERTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
13th March 2019 at 7.30pm in Luckington Village Hall**

PRESENT

Chair

Mr Richard McCraith (RMC)

Councillors

Mr J Buckley (JB)

Mr Sebastian Lawrence Mills (SLM)

Mr S Evans (SE)

Mr N Neale (NN)

Sue Godwin (SG)

Robert Simpkins (RS)

1284. Apologies

Councillor John Thompson (JT)

Zoe Meaden Clerk

1285. Declaration of interests

There were none

1286. Members of the public are invited to address the Council on agenda items.

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Mr. John Harris attended and expressed a query with the accounts, which the council is hoping to resolve as they are in the process of recruiting a new clerk, but thanked him for his offer of help.

Mr. John Harris inquired about the potential for use of the old telephone box, and the council offered to put out an email via community matters to enquire if anyone wanted to look after it or make it into useful part of the village. i.e running book exchange

Mr. John Harris wanted to know about the grass cutting , however, it was to be discussed later on in the meeting.

Mr. John Harris also was interested in the potential construction of the picket gates, on the approaches to Luckington on the B4040, which was also discussed later in meeting .

1287. Public question time

There were no questions

1288. Confirmation of the last meetings minutes

The February 13th 2019 minutes were unanimously agreed by councillors, and will be added to the March agenda for formal signature.

1289. Matters Arising from Last Meeting

No matters arising

1290. Correspondence Received

There was a letter from Liz Brereton asking for a letter of support for the Tomb Raisers project, also a letter from Judith Chapman supporting Liz's application. This was agreed and Councillors agreed that SLM would write a letter

1291. To review and comment on planning applications

There were none

1292. Finance

| Luckington and Alderton Parish Council Financial Data as at 4th February 2019 | | |
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| | | £ |
| Bank account balances at the report date: | | |
| | Barclays Current Account | 17,451.61 |
| | Barclays Deposit Account | 2,847.32 |
| | total | 15,298.93 |
| Payments to be made: | | |
| | Grant Donation to Friends of Luckington School | 575.00 |
| Clerk's Salary to be paid by Standing Order | Z. Meaden March | 315.90 |

One cheque was deferred for signature at the March meeting

1293. Update on grass cutting

(SE) presented the two quotes which had been submitted to the council, in response to the re-issued tender process. He proposed that the council accept the quote from J.D. Estate & Garden Management, which he felt was the best for both the community and council. This is a new contractor. (JB) seconded the proposal. Councillors approved the proposal unanimously with one abstention.

1294. Update on cemetery issues

RS and RMC visited the Cemetery and have proposed from next month to create one row of 14 and one row of 12 half size plots for internment of ashes, to be formally agreed at the next parish meeting and inviting any comments from the public.

They will be below the circle, but in line with the front of the trees to the fence.

1295. Update on highway issues

Sopworth Road drainage works are due to commence on the 8th April 2019.

The sunken drain cover on Alderton Road (Alderton to B4040 Ashbridge House) has been reported, and is awaiting repair by Wessex Water.

Fly tipping by Oldlands Wood on the Fosse Way (Grittleton Parish) is actively being addressed by Wiltshire Council.

1296. Discuss the appointment for a new Clerk

3 applications have been received, these applicants will be shortlisted and suitable candidates interviewed soon.

1297. Update on village entry picket fences

JB will contact the Wiltshire Council Highways department and seek their advice on the erection of picket fences on the B4040 approaches to Luckington as both locations have potential issues regarding lines of sight for drivers entering the main carriageway.

1298. Report from outside meetings

There were none

1299. Items for the next meeting's agenda and any other business for information only

Tombstone project update

The meeting closed at 8:40pm

The next meeting of the Luckington & Alderton Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 10th April at 7.30pm in Alderton Village Hall.