

**LUCKINGTON & ALDERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LUCKINGTON AND ALDERTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
13<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.30pm IN LUCKINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT**

Vice Chair                      Mr N Neale

**Councillors**

Mr J Buckley (JB)  
Mr S Lawrence-Mills (SLM)  
Mr S Evans (SE)  
Mr R Simpkins (RS)

Parish Council Clerk        Mrs V Avery (VA)

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**1203 Apologies**

Chair – Mr R McCraith

Councillor – Ms S Godwin

County Councillor – Mr Thompson

**1204 Declaration of interests**

There were none

**1205. Members of the public are invited to address the Council on agenda items.**

There were no members of the public present

**1206. Public Question Time**

There were no members of the public present.

**1207 Matters Arising from Last Meeting**

The drains on Church Road which were asked to be cleared have now been done.

The possibility of 20mph signs around Luckington School. This is now on hold as the school need to take this forward when they are ready.

The issue of parking around the village green. (RS) suggested the possibility of making parking more available outside the Luckington playground. He suggests putting down some hardstanding which could accommodate up to 5 or 6 cars. All Councillors agreed this would be a good idea. (JB) will ask Wiltshire Highways if they know who owns that land. (RS) proposed this motion and (SLM) seconded.

(SE) commented regarding the Village Green could a pavement be placed down the side of the green and through the middle. This would help children and parents walking to school and also villagers walking to the shop or pub and would be a safer option. There was a general discussion amongst Councillors and (JB) offered to raise this with Wiltshire Highways as well. (SE) said he will draw up a plan.

**1208. Confirmation of the last meetings minutes**

Minutes from the meeting in May were agreed by the PC and signed by the Vice Chair.

**1209. Planning**

**Application Ref:** 18/04890/TCA

Application for **Work to Trees in a Cons Area**

**Proposal:-** Remove 1 Limb from Pine Tree

**At:** Whitehouse Farm, Sherston Road, Luckington, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN14 6PA

*No Objections*

**1210. Finance**

<b>Luckington and Alderton Parish Council Financial Data as at 13th June 2018</b>	-	
		£
<b>Bank account balances at the report date:</b>		
	Barclays Current Account	19,535.15
	Barclays Deposit Account	2,843.06
		<b>22,378.21</b>
<b>Payments to be made:</b>		
-	Luckington Playground Committee - First Aid Training	-200.00
-	Alderton Village Hall Hire	-15.00
<b>Clerk's Salary paid by Standing Order</b>		-218.50
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	Balance carried forward	<b>21,944.71</b>

**1211. Friends of Luckington School Grant Application**

(RS) proposed the PC give them 50% of the amount they needed to take the children on a school trip to Bristol. (JB) seconded. All agreed to give £450 to the FOLS.

**1212. Update on the Churchyard Project**

(SLM) Now has a task force in place. They are applying for funds from the Heritage Lottery. They have a list of fundraising projects and are planning to have a special service when the first two tombstones have been repaired.

**1213. Update on Grass Cutting**

(SE) and (JB) have met recently to look at the grass areas around the village which the current contractor mows. (SE) has had a conversation with the contractor and has been told they grass will be cut again this coming Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> June. (SE) will chase if there is a problem.

**1214 Update on Luckington Cemetery**

(VA) reported that there had been a recent request for a burial plot for Doris Vera Curtis. This had been organised and the funeral was on 11<sup>th</sup> June.

**1215. Update on Highways**

The Signpost had been put back on Luckington Lane. The Parish Steward had been out spraying weeds etc.

Please continue to report any issues on the MyWilts app. This is a very good service and work seems to be getting done as and when reports go in.

There is still no date set for the Sopworth Road repairs.

**1216. Parish Council Approval for a New Clerk**

All councillors approved the job description and job advert which Richard McCraith and sent to Councillors previously. (JB) said that the timings were critical as there were no meetings in August and most Councillors

were away. (VA) was asked to send the job advert and description to Katie Fielding at Wiltshire CC who will place on their vacancies website. She will also ask Tim Guard to advertise on Community Matters. Also could (VA) find out costs of placing an advert in the Gazette & Herald. (VA) to do all of this asap to maximise time limits involved.

**1217. Report from Outside Meetings**

(RM) attended the Village Hall AGM but as he wasn't at this meeting he couldn't report back so will leave until next meeting in July.

**1218. Any Other Business**

There was none.

**1219. Items for next month's agenda**

Clerk Vacancy  
Cemetery  
Highways  
Churchyard Project

**1220. Time and Date of next meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 7.30pm in Alderton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm. The minutes were taken by Victoria Avery, Clerk to Luckington and Alderton Parish Council.