

LUCKINGTON & ALDERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Meeting of Luckington and Alderton Parish Council Held on
Wednesday 8th February 2023 at 7.30pm in Alderton Village Hall**

Present

Vice-Chair

Mr Nigel Neale (NN)

Councillors

Mr John Buckley (JB)

Ms Sue Godwin (SG)

Mr Nic Johnson-Greening (NJG)

Parish Clerk: Dr Sheona Beaumont (SB)

1941. Apologies for Absence

Richard McCraith (Chair) and Martin Smith.

1942. Declaration of interests

There were none.

1943. Members of the public are invited to address the Council on agenda items

There were none.

1944. Public Question Time

There were no questions.

1945. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2023

The Minutes were approved by all and signed by NN.

1946. Matters arising from the Minutes

There were none.

1947. Correspondence received:

There was none.

1948. To review and comment on the following planning applications:

- a) [PL/2023/00430](#). SLADBROOK HOUSE, THE STREET, LUCKINGTON, CHIPPENHAM, SN14 6NT . Weeping Willow tree - crown reduction to previous pollarding points to reduce overshadowing and nuisance to pedestrians and traffic. No objection.
- b) [PL/2023/00566](#). 5 CHURCH ROAD, LUCKINGTON, CHIPPENHAM, SN14 6PG. T1 - Bay tree to be reduced/trimmed T2 - Willow tree to be pollarded T3 - Cherry tree to be trimmed and tidied. No objection.

1949. Update on Financial Issues

- a) To agree payments as listed in the attached financial summary:

Clerk expenses (McAfee subscription) £99.99

IdVerde (bin collections) £218.40.

The payments were approved. NN and JB to action payment.

- b) Barclays update. SB updated the Council on communication from Barclays about verifying the Council account details and signatories, ongoing since October. After a short discussion, SB to write to Barclays expressing

disappointment with their service to the Council as a public local authority since 1895 (part of government, not a business). SB to research alternative banks, directly and via NALC.

1950. Cemetery update including latest wall collapses

Further to the quote received from Robert Simpkins, in regards to the repairs needed (3 sections of the cemetery wall), the Council approved the work. SB to contact RS, funds to be allocated from cemetery pot. Cemetery tidy-up day – with the likelihood of further adverse weather, and in the absence of volunteers this is postponed until the spring (March).

SB updated the Council in regards to the land title, confirmation has been received from Loxley's Solicitors that the registration is in hand and will be processed imminently.

1951. Highways update

Parish Stewards still on potholes. All are encouraged to use the MyWilts app to report, or go online <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/mywilts-online-reporting>.

1952. Report from Outside Meetings

None to report.

1953. Items for next meeting Agenda and any other business, for information only

Hedge by the playing field has been reported as needed cutting. The Council confirmed that the landowners need to be consulted, Playground Committee or Wiltshire Council.

SB notified the Council that the work laptop has had increasingly slow performance, with a recent installation of updates causing it to be unusable for 3 days. Council suggested researching costs for replacing it and circulating these by email as soon as possible.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.