

LUCKINGTON & ALDERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Luckington and Alderton Parish Council Held on Wednesday 8th May 2024 at 7.30pm in Alderton Village Hall

Present:

Chair: Richard McCraith (RMC)

Vice Chair: Nigel Neale (NN)

Councillors

John Buckley (JB)

Councillor Martin Smith (MS)

Nic Johnson-Greening (NJG)

Parish Clerk: Dr Sheona Beaumont (SB)

2123. Apologies for Absence

Sue Godwin

2124. Declaration of interests

JB for Cobar Chase application.

2125. Members of the public are invited to address the Council on agenda items

There was no discussion.

2126. Public Question Time

There were no questions.

2127. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 17th April 2024

The Minutes were approved by all and signed by RMC. SB to send on Stephen Leonard info to RMC.

2128. Matters arising from the Minutes

There were none.

2129. The following planning applications were considered:

- a) [PL/2024/03543](#): BROOK END, LUCKINGTON, CHIPPENHAM, SN14 6PJ (Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area). There were no objections.
- b) [PL/2024/03446](#): Cobar Chase, The Street, Luckington, Chippenham, SN14 6NP (Removal/variation of conditions). Brief discussion about location of outbuilding. There were no objections.

2130. Update on Financial Issues

- a) To agree payments as follows:
 - Ryan Russell (grass cutting March): £380
 - Community First Insurance: £541.67
 - WALC membership: £281.57

All approved, RMC & JB to sign.

2131. Lime Down Solar Park

JB shared the summary of community questions following Lime Down consultation meeting. JB advised that these questions may be useful at a later stage during consultation, also that Q&A with Lime Down representatives would be better with the next application round. [Discussion continued at 2134 to allow MS reading]

2132. Cemetery

Grass cutting reported as looking good.

2133. Highways update

JB reported ongoing attention to local potholes, especially B4040 on way into Luckington from Sherston. Rathole closed for concrete drain improvement, not road repair. Reporting continues to be encouraged via the MyWilts app: www.wiltshire.gov.uk/mywilts-online-reporting, Parish Stewards will be back in June.

2134. Report from Outside Meetings

Flood meeting (Operational Flood Group, Wiltshire Council), JB giving a presentation 23rd May.

[2131 item continued following MS contribution to Lime Down questions] SB to provide summary acknowledgment paragraph for public, and send round for approval. JB articulated reasons for care over the complexity of Lime Down consultation, and not answering questions that the Parish Council cannot answer especially during this outside-consultation period (whilst acknowledging that most questions were answered in some form at the meeting on 17th April). JB proposed delay 12th June invitation – all in agreement.

2135. Items for next meeting Agenda and any other business, for information only

Advertising process for replacement Clerk. SB to propose alternative June/July Council meeting dates to allow for this process.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.