

LUSTON GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE LUSTON GROUP PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 7 JANUARY 2019 AT CAWLEY HALL, EYE, LUSTON

PRESENT: I STEVENS (CHAIRMAN), J COATES (VICE CHAIRMAN), A BRANDISH, P EDWARDS, E COATES, C PEARSON, A EGERTON, K WOOD AND G POULTON

IN ATTENDANCE: WARD COUNCILLOR S BOWEN; R HEWITT (CLERK); AND SIX (6) MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. A FURTHER TWO (2) MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ACCESSED THE MEETING ONLINE

1. Acceptance of apologies for absence – R Woolley.

2. Declarations of Interest

2.1 Disclosable Pecuniary. Cllr. Poulton declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in planning application 184450 - Land at The Nest.

2.2 Non-disclosable Pecuniary. None.

2.3 Non-Pecuniary. None.

2.4 Written requests for dispensation. None.

3. Approval of Meeting minutes from 3 December 2018

DECISION: The minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed.

4. Clerk's Report and reports on meetings attended by parish councillors

The Clerk's report was noted.

5. Matters raised by local residents

A member of the public reported that the grit bin at Lydiatt's crossroads remained damaged and unfilled, and asked why it had not been replaced as indicated at the last meeting. Ward Cllr. Bowen said he will take the matter up with the locality steward.

Cllr. Poulton advised that ash die back disease was present at Eye. Ward Cllr. Bowen kindly agreed to arrange a date in March/ April 2019 for a visit to the waste-to-power facility at Hartlebury.

[Cllr. E Coates joined the meeting.]

6. Ward Councillor S Bowen's Brief Report (for information only)

Ward Cllr. Bowen's report was noted. The repair of potholes in the parishes generally has been to a good standard. Following an unfortunate incident where a windscreen was broken by a member of the public, Balfour Beatty has asked that drivers respect road closures and take care when passing members of the workforce and their equipment. A velocity patcher is to be purchased to help with pothole repairs. A legal case brought against Herefordshire Council's children's services has resulted in a large fine.

Cllr. E Coates asked why grit bins at Eyton had not been refilled and raised the matter of the Lydiatt's crossroads grit bin. Ward Cllr. Bowen asked Cllr. E Coates to double check whether the grit bins had been refilled as this should have been done recently by Balfour Beatty, and to highlight any grit bins which required refilling. All outstanding refills reported will be raised with Balfour Beatty's locality steward.

7. Planning

[Cllr. Poulton left the meeting.]

7.1 184450 - Land at The Nest, Moreton Farm Access, Moreton Eye. The erection of 1 no. dwelling and associated works. **COMMENT:** The application is supported.

[Cllr. Poulton rejoined the meeting.]

7.2 Update on planning decisions/ enforcement. Herefordshire Council has granted planning permission for 183665 Moreton Farmhouse, 183736 Stockmans Cottage and 183809 Manor Ground Farm. Works to trees within a conservation area are allowed for 184003 Land at the Willows.

8. Highways and environmental matters

8.1 Option to adopt green space(s) from Herefordshire Council and apply for a Green Spaces grant. The Green Spaces Community Grant Scheme 2018-19 was considered in respect of the green area by the entrance to The Willows, Luston. **DECISION:** Noted, no action required.

8.2 Lengthsman and P3 footpaths. **DECISION:** Follow up lengthsman re: grips and gullies on Seggin Lane and other outstanding matters highlighted in December 2018.

8.3 Highways – Matters to bring to the attention of Balfour Beatty. Ward Cllr. Bowen said warning signs are now in place re: the rebuilt bridge on Eye Lane. The locality steward has said Westland View and the B4361 through Luston is due to be swept by the end of January 2019. **DECISION:** To report potholes on Red Hill, Eye Lane, gap in railway bridge fencing on Eye Lane, find out when the trees at the entrance to The Willows will be pollarded, and follow up request made to remove a fir tree at Lilac Grove.

9. Finance

9.1 Payments considered:

HALC, 'Leading Lights' training on 19 November 2018 – £36.00
Clerk, wages (December 2018)

DECISION: Payments were approved, and cheques signed.

9.2 Review direct debit payments:

Airband, broadband service, January 2019 – £60.00

DECISION: The direct debit payment was noted.

10. Woodland Management Plan

Consultation by Berrington Estate on new woodland management plan. **DECISION:** Noted, no action required.

11. Matters for consideration at the next meeting (no discussion) – None.

12. Date of Next Full Council Meeting

DECISION: The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Monday 4 February 2019 at Cawley Hall, Eye.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Signed as a true record_____

Date_____