

LUND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting held on 20 March 2025, Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs K Calvert (Chair), A Prescott, C Lamb, I Snowden, S Burns, C Wright, A Watts, J Walker, R Hughes and G Cottrell (Parish Clerk)

1. **Apologies:** Cllr J Wilcock (Ward Councillor)

2. **Public Participation** – None.

3. **ERYC Matters** – In the absence of Cllr Wilcock there was no detailed discussion:

- i. The Traffic Management Team's visit would coincide with the AGM, which would be at 7.30pm. The meeting would begin at 7.45pm.
- ii. Cllr Wilcock had emailed the Clerk with details of work to be done later in the year to improve Broadband connections in the village. These would begin in October 2025.
- iii. PC Lee Legrove's request that Councillors should join the Police messaging service My Community Alert was agreed by all present.
- iv. Cllr Calvert had been informed that Central Government had decreed that brown bins should now be emptied once a week, and that ERYC had recently suffered a large hole in its budget. She feared that this would impact badly on mowing services to the village.

4. **Members declarations of interest and Register of Interests**

Councillors Lamb, Wright, Walker and Watts declared an interest in item 7 v. (Village Hall)

Councillors Lamb, Wright, Walker and Watts declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 7 v. (Village Hall).

5. **Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2025 were read and approved on a proposal by Cllr Watts, seconded by Cllr Wright.

6. **Matters Arising from the Minutes not on this Agenda**

- i. There were no matters arising.

7. **Village Matters**

- i. The Rose bed on The Green was discussed in some detail, which included the general maintenance of the village and the need for attention to the holly trees in the churchyard. Cllr Walker agreed to draft a notice about the Council's intention to grass over the rose bed. This would be posted at the Forge, on the Website, and on all other available media, and the results considered at the next meeting. Cllr Wright would contact Simon Maddox about the holly trees.
- ii. Yorkshire in Bloom was considered a non-starter in the present circumstances.
- iii. A regular litter pick was discussed and would be considered again in the light of the response to the rose bed.
- iv. Defibrillator Training on 30th June: Cllr Wright had received a message through a WhatsApp group suggesting that the machine had been rendered inoperable by lightning some two weeks previously, but she was unaware of the circumstances of this discovery. As "custodian" of the defibrillator, the Clerk explained that the machine was registered to a national organisation called "The Circuit", run by the British Heart Foundation, and was usually made available for use by Ambulance Crews and others following 999 or 111 calls to the NHS Emergency Services. It was checked at regular intervals and when turned on would say whether it was working or not. It was very unlikely to have been affected by lightning since it was battery powered. Cllr Wright said she would pass this information on to the WhatsApp group members.
- v. The Village Hall had little activity at present, but Cllr Lamb asked for a Bonfire for VE day to be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

8. **Updates**

- i. The website had been updated to include links to all current planning applications.

9. **Planning**

- i. 25/00453/PLF 4, Cherry Garth was discussed and no objections raised.
- ii. 25/00538/PLF Conifers, 11 Eastgate was discussed and no objections raised.
- iii. 25/00380/PLF 11, Damson Garth was discussed and no objections raised.
- iv. 25/00554/PLF 1, Lockington Road was discussed, and the same objection was made as the previous time it had been submitted, namely it was outside the building line and inside the conservation area.

10. Financial Matters

- i. Bank Reconciliation for 27th February was circulated, approved and signed by Cllr Calvert.
- ii. Bank interest received was £16.38, and payments made were £80 to SLCC and £10 to Methodist Church.
- iii. Defibrillator pads were due to expire in early May and the purchase of a new set was authorised.
- iv. End of year accounts were reviewed in draft form

11. Any Other Business

- i. There was no other item for discussion

12. Date and Venue of next Meeting – Thursday 10th April 2025 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.