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LOUND PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held online on Monday 3rd August 2020 at 7.00 pm.

(Subject to amendment until signed by the Chairman at the next meeting)

Present: Miles Thomas (Chair),
Judith Hobbs (Vice Chair),
Gayle Welsh, Paul Strowlger, Jenny Ozinel, Connor Moore,
James Reeder (County Councillor)
Keith Robinson (County Councillor),
Paul Ashdown (District Councillor).
Jill Brown — clerk

There were no members of the public present.

The Chair welcomed those present and thanked everyone for attending the second online meeting held by Lound Parish Council.

1. Welcome & Apologies - apologies from Peter Larcombe.

2. Declaration of Interest - Declaration of any pecuniary or other interest with regards to items on the agenda. Judith Hobbs declared an interest in the maintenance project for Blacksmiths Loke.

3. Minutes of The Last Meeting and Matters Arising – The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 11th May 2020 were proposed and seconded. These will be signed by the Chair and the Clerk at the next opportunity.

4. Updates –

- **Neighbourhood Planning Update** – The draft plan has been submitted to ESC. However, the inspection has been deferred to 20/21.
- **Progress with Blacksmiths Loke** – This work has now commenced and is progressing well. It is expected that it will be completed on Thursday 6th August. The two grants of £1000 each has been received and some of the contributions from residents have been received with the remainder expected shortly.

5. Correspondence – There were three items of correspondence:

- Email from SALC regarding a consultation on a draft code of conduct for members. Councillors voted to respond individually.
- Email from ‘Quiet Lanes Suffolk’ regarding a scheme for single lane roads in the area. The council voted not to take any action on this at present.
- Email from ESC asking for information and nominations for individuals/organisations that have provided support during the Covid-19 lockdown. It was decided that Lound PC will forward information about the scheme in Lound. The clerk will forward to the appropriate person.

Signed Chairman, Clerk, Date.....

6. Litter Pick and Mardle Clean-Up –

- The mardle clean-up was kindly undertaken by some local residents. They will be invited to take a lead with this in future. There are still some brambles overhanging the pavement that need cutting back. Judith has kindly offered to do this task.
- The Litter pick has been scheduled for 26th September weather permitting and 17th October as a back up date. As it is not possible to borrow the tools at the moment due to Covid-19 it may be possible to purchase these and claim a grant from ESC. Miles will gain a quote.

7. Annual Internal Audit – The internal audit procedure was reviewed and agreed as adequate. The Annual Audit Report was inspected and noted.

8. External Audit (AGAR) –

- a) The Annual Governance Statement was approved by the Council.
- b) The Accounting Statements were approved by the Council.
- c) The Certificate of Exemption was approved by the Council.

9. Accounts

Review of Income and Expenditure and Bank Reconciliations to end of July 2020 –

The income, expenditure and bank reconciliations to the end of March 2020 were reviewed and accepted. A suggestion was made regarding forecast figures which will be acted upon for the next accounts review.

The following payments were authorised:

Clerks salary to end of June 2020	£145.53 paid by BACS
Clerks salary to end of July 2020	£145.33 paid by BACS
Clerks salary to end of August 2020	£145.53 to be paid by BACS

Proposed payment: Sam Perks (Blacksmith’s Loke) £3876 (quote)

10. Planning Application – DC/20/2598/FUL – Lound Plant Centre. This was discussed and it was agreed by all councillors that there is no objection to this application. (see appendix one)

11. Dates of Next Meetings – The clerk will make enquiries regarding availability at The Village Hall for the next few meetings.

12. Councillors Forum –

The following items will be included in the agenda for the next meeting:

- Clerks salary review
- Allotments review
- Insurance Quotes
- Flooding Back Lane
- Bus Provision
- Caravans at Hopton

An informal discussion followed with news from District and County Councillors.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Signed Chairman, Clerk, Date.....

Appendix A

Planning Application DC/20/2598/FUL

Construction of a plant nursery at Lound Plant Centre, Jay Lane,
Lound Lowestoft Suffolk NR32 5LH

Lound Parish Council has viewed the documentation for this matter and makes no objection to the application as currently presented, particularly if, as stated, it will provide more jobs in the locality.

Signed Chairman, Clerk, Date.....