

# LOUND PARISH COUNCIL

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 7pm at The Village Hall.

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

**Present:** Miles Thomas, Judith Hobbs, Paul Strowlger, Gayle Welsh, Jenny Ozinel, Connor Moore, Paul Ashdown (District Council), Ed Back (County Council), and Jill Brown (clerk).

**Welcome & Apologies:** No apologies received.

**1. Declaration of Interest** – There were none stated.

**2. Minutes of The Last Meetings and Matters Arising** – The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September were agreed. An alteration was needed to item 4. It should read: ‘The cost of leaflets will be met by the remainder of the grant.’. This was updated with pen. The minutes for Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October were agreed.

**3. Public Forum** – There were no members of the public present.

**4. Updates** –

- **Speed Indicator Report** – The cost of the brackets will be met by Somerleyton PC who have the speed indicator in use.
- **Hermitage** – There has not been any further information from SCC. However, it was noted that the Hermitage has been looking tidier.
- **Permit for fishing in Mardle Pond** – There has been no further input on the shared drive regarding this.
- **Allotment Update** – The old chest freezer and contents have been removed. The environment agency are following this up.
- **Councillor Vacancy** – There have been no definite applicants as yet for this vacancy.
- **Litter Pick** – The amount of rubbish collected was down about 50% from last year, maybe partly due to there having been two annual collections.
- **Warm Rooms Project** – Miles fed back from the multi-agency meeting that was held at Lound Garden Centre recently. There are three venues involved: Lound Plant Centre, Sally Ann’s Tearooms, and the Village Hall. The VH committee are happy to allow people to use the upstairs room whilst the Hall is in use.

**5. Future Projects** –

**Footpath Blacksmith’s Loke to Church** - Miles has written to Public Rights of Way Department for advice.

**Recycling** – This was discussed – no further action at present.

**Play Equipment** – There has not been any feedback from residents. Paul A will email some information and the possibility of an open session was discussed to gauge interest.

**Phone Kiosk on Back Lane** – Possible book exchange.

**6. Reports from District and County Councillors** – Paul Ashdown (District Councillor) reported that there are 10 warm room projects in the district and tea and coffee will be delivered to these shortly. The Bact bus service is up and running. It is important that this is used or the service could be lost going forward. The Rugby Club bus will continue for the short term and will ultimately be at a small charge to passengers. The next Northern Community Partnership meeting will be on 20<sup>th</sup> December. There is still funding of about £4.5k to be utilised. Eddie Back (County Councillor) said that he still has substantial funding available until April.

**7. Correspondence –**

Email from Cally Smith at The Broads Authority regarding Pre-Application advice for planning applications.

**8. Planning Application Number DC/22/3710/FUL** – There were no objections to this application.

**9. Preliminary Budget and Precept Discussion and Review** – The PC held a preliminary discussion regarding budget and precept setting. This will be finalised at January's meeting.

**10. Internal Control Document** – Paul Strowlger agreed to complete the Internal Control Review again for this year.

**11. Accounts:**

**a). Review of income and expenditure and balances to end October 2022.**

Income and expenditure to end of August 2022 was reviewed and agreed.  
Bank Reconciliations to end of August 2022 were reviewed and agreed.  
Comparison of Actual and Forecast figures to end of August 2022 were reviewed.  
Adjustment needed for payment to Cleanseforce. Otherwise, all agreed.

**b). Payments to be authorised:**

Clerk's Salary to end November and December 2022  
SLCC renewal £80  
Leaflet Printing £180 (already paid)  
All payments were authorised.

**12. Meeting dates for 2023** – 9th Jan, 6<sup>th</sup> Mar. AGM in May to be decided, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 7<sup>th</sup> Sept, 6<sup>th</sup> Nov.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.