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LOUND PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Lound Village Hall
on Monday 4th April 2016 at 7.30 pm

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

Present: Paul Ashdown, Carl Ashpole, Judith Hobbs, Len Jacklin, Peter Larcombe,
Louis Smith, Bertie Poole and Gayle Welsh.

John Burford – Clerk

The Chair welcomed those present and introduced the meeting by reminding those present of the location of the Fire exits.

1. Welcome & Apologies

An apology had been received from PCSO Sue Kershaw and Miles Thomas.

2. Declaration of Interest

Declaration of any pecuniary or other interest with regard to items on the agenda and requests for dispensations.

No pecuniary interest was declared.

3. Minutes Of The Last Meeting and Matters Arising - To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 1st February 2016

Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Gayle and seconded by Judith and agreed by those present.

4. Police Report and Speedwatch

There was no Police report and Speedwatch is continuing normally.

5. Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

6. Updates:

Repaint the Mardle railings and the phone box in Back Lane

It was considered to be still too early in the year to carry out painting.

Proposed 20mph speed limit - Back Lane

Still awaiting signs. Clerk to email Keith Sampson.

Road Signs

Awaiting a quote for replacement of the three fingers on the sign located at the junction of The Street and Church Lane.

Proposed picket fences at village entrances

The picket fence locations are marked with a stake, awaiting information from Keith Sampson.

Signed Chairman, Clerk, Date.....

onesuffolk website - <http://lound.onesuffolk.net>

The site is being updated when circumstances allow.

Roundels on Jay Lane

There are slow markings on the road in Jay Lane, it is felt that if these were re-painted, roundels would not be required.

Litter Pick

This took place on 12th March; the bags were yet to be collected. *Clerk's note.* The bags were collected the day after the meeting.

Allotments

The allotments had been inspected by Louis and Peter, they were in good order. Two payments had been received to date.

Neighbourhood Planning

A steering group had been set up with Somerleyton. Confirmation being obtained of the area that neighbourhood planning covers.

Planning permission was given on the plot behind the village hall in October 2014. It was noted that this piece of land is now being marketed as a building plot with detailed planning consent.

The Lothingland School site is also being marketed and is listed as being for light industrial use.

7. Report from District and County Councillors

Devolution was discussed.

8. Correspondence

A list was available, but most documents had been circulated by email, copies are available for any Councillor who would like to see them.

9. Future Scheduled Meetings

6th June, 1st August, 3rd October, 5th December

Date for Annual Parish Meeting

Historically, the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting were run together. It was felt that more people would attend if the meetings were held separately and that it was suitably advertised.

It was agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting would be held on Friday 20th May at 7:30 pm in Lound Village Hall. Clerk to arrange leaflet drop (140) and to include the information of a Parish Councillor vacancy.

10. Accounts

Business Bonus Account	As at 24 th March 2016	£4,277.10
Community Account	As at 24 th March 2016	£ 465.16

Cheques:

Clerk's Salary (Feb' – Mar')		£260.00
HM Revenue & Customs 120PD00315869 1509		£ 115.60
Village Hall Hire		£ 75.00

The clerk explained that with ongoing commitment, there was a small shortfall in the current account because the precept payment would not go into the account until the end of April. The shortfall is caused by £25.00 being transferred into the savings account every month; whilst this did not change the overall balance in funds it did sometimes prove problematic.

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It was decided to stop the standing order and transfer £500 from the savings account into the current account.

The clerk distributed an up-to-date balance sheet which showed a £394 deficit, this was due to the purchase of two “Doggy Bins” which had not been budgeted for.

A copy of the end of year accounts was issued in the format supplied to the external auditor and the clerk explained the entries.

Acceptance of the accounts was proposed by Carl and seconded by Louis.

11. Councillors Forum

To request items to be placed on the Agenda for the next Parish Council meeting

There were no items put forward.

Closed Session: Annual Review of Clerk’s Salary

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