

MINUTES of the Lydiard Millicent Parish Council meeting held on Thursday, 11th May 2017 in Lydiard Millicent Parish Hall, commencing at 7.30pm

PRESENT : Cllrs Andrew Harris, Andre Kayani, Jonathan Hearn, Sarah Hill Wheeler, Vernon Montgomery, Sian Penning, Alan Pfleger, Mike Sharp. Mrs Deborah Bourne (Clerk).

Also Present : Nine members of the public

Due to this being the first Council meeting of a new administration a Public Question Time was held after this meeting closed, at future meetings it will be held just before the meeting as usual..

049/17 Election of Chairman

The Local Government Act 1972 s15(1) states that a Chairman must be elected from one of its number before any other decisions can be made. It is also a requirement under LGA 1972 s83(4) that all persons elected must sign their Declaration of Acceptance of Office prior to the first meeting of the Council.

All nine members had signed Declarations prior to this meeting.

RESOLVED that Cllr Andrew Harris be the Chairman of Lydiard Millicent Parish Council for the ensuing civic year.

Cllr Harris accepted this position then signed his Chairman's declaration, which was witnessed by the Proper Officer.

050/17 Election of Vice Chairman

Lydiard Millicent Parish Council has previously used the discretionary s15(6) of the LGA 1972 to allow for one of its members to be vice chairman.

RESOLVED to elect Cllr Alan Pfleger as Vice Chairman for the ensuing civic year.

051/17 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Dean Cobb.

052/17 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of interest in any of the items on this agenda.

053/17 Report from Wiltshire Councillor

Cllr Mollie Groom was not present at the meeting. No written report had been received.

RESOLVED that a letter be sent to Cllr Groom requesting that a report is available for each monthly meeting. The report could be either written or verbal.

054/17 **Casual Vacancies**

It was noted that after the recent elections Lydiard Millicent Parish Council have two vacant seats. These vacancies can now be filled by co-option.

RESOLVED to advertise the vacancies until 31st May 2017 on Parish Noticeboards.

055/17 **Minutes**

Members asked that an amendment be made to minute reference 043/17. The following words to be added: “RESOLVED to have a report concerning Facebook and Residents comments.”

RESOLVED that the amended minutes were adopted and duly signed by the Chairman.

056/17 **Appointment of Working Groups (WG)**

A system of Working Groups has been used since May 2015. They consist of Finance & Administration, Highways & Transport, Open Spaces & Recreation Field and Planning. Details of which had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting.

The Chairman proposed an additional Working Group this year, Communications.

RESOLVED to appoint a new Working Group titled Communications; its remit will be to establish a higher, more positive, professional profile for the Council within Lydiard Millicent.

Further RESOLVED to appoint members to Working Groups as detailed on the Working Groups 2017 Table.

057/17 **Appointment of Council Representatives**

RESOLVED to appoint the following representatives:

Parish Hall Committee	Cllr Andrew Harris
LMaP Neighbourhood Plan	Cllrs Sarah Hill Wheeler, Mike Sharp
RWB & C Area Board	Cllrs Andrew Harris, Mike Sharp
RWB & C Community Transport Group	Cllr Dean Cobb + one other from WG on rotation.

058/17 **Planning Matters**

- a. The Council noted the following decisions made by Wiltshire Council since the last meeting:

16/11952/FUL – Land Adjacent 2 The Butts, Lydiard Millicent
Demolition of detached garage and erection of single two storey dwelling & garage access & parking

Decision : Approve with Conditions

17/01193/CLP – 30 Chestnut Springs, Lydiard Millicent
 Certificate of Lawfulness for Proposed loft conversion with dormer
 extension

Decision : Approve

17/04021/DDD – Honeywood Lodge, Church Place, Lydiard
 Millicent
 Fell 2 Dangerous Lime Trees

Decision : DD Decision Letter

- b. Planning Applications for consideration by the Council at this meeting.

17/03000/FUL – 87 Chestnut Springs, Lydiard Millicent
 Extension to front, side and loft conversion

This application is similar to another in Chestnut Springs. It appears to be on a larger plot. New windows may overlook neighbouring properties. This property is in a prominent position and is in need of updating.

RESOLVED to object to this application as set out in its current format. It is unacceptable over development and out of keeping with the surrounding street scene. It will have an adverse impact on neighbouring property.

059/17 **Finance**

RESOLVED to ratify the following payments :

Cheq No	Payee	Amount
2356	Lydiard Millicent Parish Hall - Feb	26.00
2357	Resident - Reimbursement	8.98
2358	A Pflieger - Reimbursement	107.56
2359	Microshade Q1	123.30
2360	WALC – Councillor Booklets	44.00
	A Pflieger – Reimbursement	55.06
	Swindon Borough Council	60.76
	Wiltshire Council – Chargeable Waste	126.48
	Information Commissioner	35.00
	Westlea Landscaping April	450.00
	G Gill – Cricket Square	2,880.00
	Lydiard Millicent Parish Hall - March	26.00
	Total	£3,943.14

It was also noted that £45,000 (forty five thousand pounds) was transferred to the CCLA for investment as referenced back to minute 040/17.

060/17 **Meeting Schedule for 2017-18**

RESOLVED that Full Council meetings for this civic year will be as detailed below:

June	1 st	October	5 th	February	1 st
July	6 th	November	2 nd	March	1 st
August	3 rd	December	7 th	April	5 th
September	7 th	January	4 th	May	3 rd

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Thursday 25th May 2017, with the meeting in 2018 scheduled for 24th May.

061/17 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of Lydiard Millicent Parish Council will take place on Thursday, 1st June 2017 at Lydiard Millicent Parish Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

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Cllr Andrew Harris
Chairman

Following the meeting Councillors gave residents the opportunity to raise questions or make comments. These included:

- Concerns about the opening times of Jubilee Club House
- Website not being up to date
- Bus Shelters needing attention
- Road deteriorating in The Beeches
- Cemetery in need of maintenance
- Cost of refurbishing the Cricket Pitch
- Footway conditions on school route

The Chairman thanked residents for their comments; he would pass on to Wiltshire Council the issues that were their responsibility.