# Minutes from the Annual Parish Council Meeting of Loders Parish Council held via Zoom on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7.00pm

**Present:** 

**Councillors:** Michele Warrington (Chair) Olwen McCrindle

Geoff May (Vice Chair)

Julie Bryce

David Cannon

David Last

Peter Nardone

Ros Newberry

David Pullan

Stephen Tilton

Officer: Joanne Hughes (Clerk) Public: 0

**Apologies:** Tony Alford (Dorset Council)

#### 8083. To elect a Chair for 2021-22 and sign acceptance of office

Michele Warrington was nominated by Ros Newberry and seconded by Julie Bryce. All in favour. Agreed by all that the acceptance of office could be signed at a later date, Clerk to arrange.

# 8084. To elect a Vice Chair for 2021-22 and sign acceptance of office

Geoff May was nominated by Stephen Tilton and seconded by David Pullan. All in favour. Agreed by all that the acceptance of office could be signed at a later date, Clerk to arrange.

#### 8085. To receive apologies for absence

Recorded.

#### 8086. Declarations of interest or grants of dispensation

None.

# 8087. To accept the minutes of the meeting held on 27th April 2021 and sign the same

27<sup>th</sup> April 2021 minutes - Cllr Warrington to sign when face to face meetings resume.

Proposed Cllr D Last Seconded Cllr R Newberry Resolved

#### 8088. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting

Clerk to check with Loders Village Hall as the suggested date of 22<sup>nd</sup> June to fall in line with the governments lifting of Covid restrictions may already be booked. If 22<sup>nd</sup> June is already booked, Clerk to look at other available dates. The June meeting will also include the annual inspection of council property: cemetery, allotments and Well Plot playing fields and play area.

#### 8089. Matters arising for information only

Cllr Warrington advised that the 'Working Together' programme that had been mentioned in the DAPTC Service Provision survey is simply wording that has been used and does not exist as a physical document.

#### 8090. To appoint/reaffirm representatives for the following year:

- i. Trustees of the Loders Relief of Need Alison Saunders (2019-23) & Jane Edwards (2018-22)
- ii. Village Hall Management Representative Peter Nardone
- iii. Playing Field Management David Pullan
- iv. Allotments Management Ros Newberry

- v. Finance Working Group Michele Warrington, Geoff May, Stephen Tilton, Olwen McCrindle and the Clerk
- vi. Footpaths Liaison Officer David Cannon
- vii. Cemetery Management Peter Nardone
- viii. Roads and Transport David Last
- ix. River Asker Project Representative Geoff May
- x. Emergency and Flood Representative Ros Newberry, David Last, Olwen McCrindle
- xi. Parish Ancient Monument Liaison Officer Michele Warrington
- xii. DAPTC Representative Michele Warrington (Julie Bryce)
- xiii. BLAP Representative Geoff May (rotating basis with other councillors)

Clerk to find out if BLAP meetings will continue via Zoom or return to face-to-face meetings.

# 8091. To reaffirm the Loders Parish Council Standing Orders

Proposed Cllr G May Seconded Cllr S Tilton Resolved

#### 8092. To reaffirm the Loders Parish Council Financial Regulations

Proposed Cllr S Tilton Seconded Cllr D Last Resolved

#### 8093. Democratic Forum

None.

#### 8094. Finance

i. To approve the Annual Governance and Accountability Return Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2020/21 having been internally audited

The Clerk had previously circulated to all copies of the 2020/21 AGAR and Internal Auditors report. Cllr Warrington requested that grateful thanks be passed to the internal auditor Sheena Tomkins for once again auditing the Parish Council accounts. The Internal Auditors report was duly noted and Section 1 of the AGAR was approved.

**Proposed Cllr G May** 

Seconded Cllr S Tilton

Resolved

# ii. To approve the Annual Governance and Accountability Return Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2020/21

Section 2 of the AGAR was approved.

**Proposed Cllr S Tilton** 

Seconded Cllr D Pullan

Resolved

# iii. To approve the annual insurance premium

The Clerk advised that the 3-year LTA with Zurich had now ended and three comparable quotes for the annual insurance had been gathered; £408.03, £494.54 and £696.55. The Parish Council opted to renew with Zurich at £408.03.

**Proposed Cllr G May** 

**Seconded Cllr S Tilton** 

Resolved

#### iv. To authorise receipts and payments due

The following payments for May 2021 were approved in line with internal controls:

Receipts		Detail	Amount
Dorset Council		CIL Payment	2,592.50
Dorset Council		Precept	7,500.00
Payments	Voucher No	Detail	Amount
Mrs J Hughes	1157	Salary/Expenses	631.98
HMRC	1158	PAYE	7.00
Zurich	1159	Annual Insurance	408.03
Wessex Grounds Services	1160	Grounds Maintenance (Apr)	77.58
DAPTC	1161	1 x Councillor Induction Training	35.00
K Hussey	1162	Quarterly Inspection and Removal Works	402.00

Bank balance as at 4<sup>th</sup> May £34,291.15

**Proposed Cllr R Newberry** 

Seconded Cllr D Cannon

Resolved

#### ii. Monthly finance reports

The Clerk provided Councillors with a summary report of the year-to-date position (May 2021) against the budget and a report of the movement on fund balances to 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

#### iv. Clerks monthly hours

The Clerk had previously circulated her timesheet for the month of April which will continue to be monitored on a monthly basis.

#### 8095. Planning and Development

Cllr May agreed to undertake some research into the Dorset National Park proposal.

#### 8096. Council Property

# i. Cemetery

- Ground's maintenance contract leaf clearance quote - Clerk awaiting additional quote.

#### ii. Allotments

- Vacant plot - the Clerk advised that the person on the allotment waiting list has been contacted twice but has not replied so the vacant plot will now be advertised.

#### iii Playing Field

- to receive an update on progress of the new play equipment for the play area - Cllr Pullan confirmed that he is awaiting quotes for 2 six-seater accessible picnic benches from John Bright Fencing. Clerk to ask Ken Hussey to comment on the suitability of the nest carousel. Cllr Pullan also advised that the quarterly play area inspection report had been received that highlighted the following: Covid signage to be replaced; Clerk to arrange, football nets to be pegged; Cllr Pullan to arrange.

# 8097. Footpaths and Rights of Way

Cllr Cannon provided the following RoW update:

**BR2:** the extinguishment of Bridleway 2 at Church Farm Cottage has now been confirmed.

**BR11:** the mud issue on New St Lane has now resolved partly due to the dry weather and also the appreciated efforts of a local resident.

**FP24:** confirmed that there is still no update on the self-closing gate. Cllr Cannon will continue to chase.

**FP32:** confirmed that there is still no update on the Church Lane erosion issue. Cllr Cannon will continue to chase.

# 8098. Roads, Transport and Drains

- Cllr Last confirmed that the resurfacing of New Road, Uploders has taken place.
- Cllr Last raised the question of using a lengthsman to undertake parish maintenance. Cllr Warrington confirmed that this is within the Parish Council Business Plan which will be revived from June.
- Yellow Lane slippage Cllr Last will report to Dorset Council.
- The issue of parking on the pavement of Loders High Street was raised. Clerk to contact PCSO for advice.
- Clerk to contact Magna and Dorset Council regarding new resident driveway to enquire if permission was required due to its proximity to a junction and the main highway.

#### 8099. Unitary Authority

- i. Update from DAPTC
  - Dorset Council DAPTC Service Provision Survey Clerk to submit agreed response of the Parish Council.

Update from BLAP - None.

#### 8100. Climate and Environment Issues

- i. To consider and agree any actions in relation to the Loders Parish Council Climate & Emergency Action Plan:
  - Residents' Questionnaire agreed that post boxes will be collected on 22<sup>nd</sup> May.
  - Cllr Cannon offered to collate results. Clerk to forward online results.
  - Next C&EE meeting to take place on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 10am via Zoom. Cllr Cannon to arrange.

#### 8101. Communications

Broadband - meeting to be arranged with local Chris Loder MP - Cllrs Warrington, May and Tilton and Cllr Bryce's husband if available to meet with Chris Loder on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. Clerk to confirm and book village hall. Pre-meeting to take place on 11<sup>th</sup> May via Zoom at 10am, Clerk to arrange.

# 8102. To review correspondence received

None.

#### 8103. Website and Eggardon & Colmers View

Date of June meeting, vacant allotment plot, confirmation of LDF grant awarded and LPC Climate & Ecological Emergency Residents' Questionnaire.

# 8104. Agenda items for next meeting

None.

Meeting closed at 9.07pm

Chairman	Date