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8068. Options for the June Parish Council meeting

Council to await outcome of the application by ADSO, LLG and Hertfordshire County Council to the High Court hearing in relation to virtual meeting provision for local authorities.

If virtual meetings end on 7th May, the Parish Council will need to consider the implications of holding face-to-face meetings after this date.

8069. Finance

i. To authorise receipts and payments due

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

Receipts		Detail	Amount
Payments	Voucher No	Detail	Amount
Mrs J Hughes	1151	Salary/Expenses	651.48
HMRC	1152	PAYE	6.80
Wessex Grounds Services	1153	Grounds Maintenance (Mar)	76.06
SLCC	1154	Clerks Annual Membership	130.00
DAPTC	1155	3 x Councillor Induction Training	105.00
H Nadin	1156	Fingerpost Materials	109.33

Bank balance as at 21st April 2021 **£25,760.24**

Proposed Cllr O McCrindle

Seconded Cllr D Last

Resolved

ii. Monthly finance reports

The Clerk provided Councillors with a summary report of the year-to-date position (April 2021) against the budget and a report of the movement on fund balances to 21st April 2021.

iii. Additional signatories for Parish Council bank account

It was agreed by all that as members of the Finance Working Group, Cllrs Tilton and McCrindle would be added as signatories to the Parish Council bank account.

iv. Clerks monthly hours

The Clerk had previously circulated her timesheet for the month of March to the Chair and Vice Chair which will be monitored on a monthly basis.

8070. Parish Council Business Plan

Cllr Warrington had updated the Business Plan and circulated to all. Cllr Warrington proposed that actions within the Business Plan be revived from June when all Councillors have been allocated with areas of responsibility that will enable the Business Plan to be progressed. All agreed.

8071. Planning and Development

a) National Park proposal - to consider a Parish Council response to local MP

Following a request from Chris Loder MP for the views of Parish Councils regarding a Dorset National Park, Councillors had mixed views and felt that more information was needed both for and against a National Park in order to make a considered response. Clerk to respond to this effect.

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b) To consider any planning applications, appeals or enforcements in circulation:

- i. WD/D/20/002926/27 Knowle Farm, Uploders amended application - no update.
- ii. WD/D/20/002863 The Barn House, Main Street, Loders - permission granted.
- iii. WD/D/20/003146 Church Farm Bungalow, Yellow Lane, Loders - no update.

8072. To consider and agree any actions in relation to Parish Council property

i. Cemetery

- War memorial signage (Commonwealth War Graves Commission) for the cemetery

The Clerk confirmed that she is still awaiting contact by the CWGC team member regarding installation of the signage.

- Ground's maintenance contract leaf clearance quote

Clerk to obtain another quote for the leaf clearance work at Loders Cemetery.

ii. Allotments

Cllr Newberry advised that the allotments are looking very good and currently there is one vacant plot. It was agreed by all that Cllr Newberry purchase some replacement fence posts for the allotments and Well Plot play area. Cllr Newberry also advised that there have been reports of gates being left open at the allotments and cemetery. Clerk to produce 'please close the gate' signage for the cemetery gate.

- Plot 7 tenancy

The Clerk confirmed that the issue with allotment plot 7 has been resolved satisfactorily and the plot is being let to one tenant.

- Monitoring of allotment plot waiting list

Cllr Newberry confirmed that the monitoring of the allotment plot waiting list is in place and is a joint effort between herself and the Clerk whereby the Clerk provides Cllr Newberry with an updated list of allotment plot holders and individuals on the waiting list each time there is a change to these details. Cllr Newberry advised that the administrative error with plot 7 arose at a time when the impact of Covid-19 was taking priority over everything else.

iii. Playing Field

Cllr Pullan raised the issue of weedkiller being used at Well Plot play area. Clerk to make enquiries.

- to receive an update on the Dorset Council Leisure Development Fund (LDF) grant

The Clerk confirmed that the application she submitted to the Dorset Council Leisure Development Fund had been successful and £615 has been awarded to the Well Plot play area new equipment project which can be claimed on completion of the project.

- to agree supplier for wooden picnic benches

Cllr Pullan had circulated three quotes for wooden accessible picnic benches (£270, £225 and £245) and it was agreed by all that the wooden picnic benches be purchased from the local supplier (£245). However, as £375 has been allocated per picnic bench, it was agreed that larger picnic benches be purchased. Cllr Pullan to progress.

- to receive an update on the removal of deteriorating play equipment

The Clerk confirmed that Ken Hussey had removed the deteriorating trim trail therefore providing space for the new piece of play equipment (nest carousel). Clerk to progress with ordering the equipment.

- to consider request by Loders Youth Club to use Well Plot playing fields

Following a request from Loders Youth Club to run Covid secure youth club activities at Well Plot playing fields, Councillors agreed to the request. Clerk to respond.

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8073. Footpaths and Rights of Way - Report from Cllr David Cannon

Cllr Cannon had previously circulated his RoW report confirming the following:

BR1: last meeting Cllr Cannon reported that the fingerpost at the junction with Smishops was down. It has now been fixed.

BR11: On 31/3/21 Cllr Cannon reported on the Dorset Council website (MNT51435) that New St Lane had become very muddy over the winter. Currently, its status is still 'under investigation'. However, the dry weather, combined with the much-appreciated efforts to divert water from the path of a resident, have improved conditions.

FP24: Cllr Cannon has asked the Dorset Council Senior Ranger for an update re. the self-closing gate on 21/02, 10/03, 17/03 and 15/04 but has still not received a response

FP32: Cllr Cannon has asked the Dorset Council Community Highways Officer for an update re. ensuring water does not continue to flow down Church Lane causing erosion but has still not received a response

8074. Roads, Transport and Drains

To consider and agree any actions in relation to parish roads, transport and drains:

- i. Waddon Way - Cllr Alford advised that a survey is the next stage for Waddon Way although the timing is uncertain largely due to Covid restrictions.
- ii. Gribb Farm, Shipton Road - The Clerk confirmed that Dorset Highways have advised that conversations with the second landowner instrumental in the realigning of the road at Gribb Farm have been positive and a detailed ground survey will be the next stage.
- iii. Track at Loders Hall/31a Main Street, Loders - Cllr Cannon had previously advised that despite following up with Dorset Highways, he has not yet received a response.
- iv. Yellow Lane safety - The Clerk confirmed that 'slippery road' signage has been installed at the bottom of Yellow Lane. Clerk to request 'slippery road' signage for the top of Yellow Lane.
- v. Parish map of roads - Clerk to update map with Councillor area changes as discussed and recirculate.

Cllr Alford left the meeting at 9.20pm

8075. Unitary Authority

- i. Update from DAPTC
- Dorset Council DAPTC Service Provision Survey - Cllrs Warrington, Last and McCrindle to meet via Zoom to complete survey and circulate to all for agreement at the meeting on 4th May.
- ii. Update from BLAP - Cllr Cannon to attend the next BLAP meeting on 5th May.
- iii. Dorset Council Community Governance Review - Shipton Gorge boundary change request - agreed that at this stage Loders Parish Council will hold the information received from Shipton Gorge and await further information and guidance from Dorset Council on how to proceed with the Community Governance Review.
- iv. Local Authority Remote Meetings Call for Evidence Survey - Clerk to respond summarising Councillors comments.

8076. River Asker Improvement Project

Cllr May had previously circulated a report for the Annual Parish Assembly summarising the River Asker Improvement Project. The report can be viewed on the Parish Council website.

8077. Climate and Environment Issues

- i. To consider and agree any actions in relation to the Loders Parish Council Climate & Emergency Action Plan:

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- Loders Parish Council Climate and Ecological Emergency Action Plan resident questionnaire has now been finalised and is ready for printing along with poster. Having obtained quotes, Cllr Warrington proposed to use Creeds. Cllr Warrington to arrange and collect.

Proposed Cllr M Warrington

Seconded Cllr S Tilton

Resolved

- Councillors to advise Cllr Bryce how many questionnaires they will need for delivery in their allocated area of the parish.

- Councillors to distribute questionnaires to households between 7th - 9th May.

- Cllrs Bryce, Newberry and Tilton to organise post boxes at The Crown, Loders Arms and Loders Church for collection of completed questionnaires.

- Clerk to post online version of questionnaire on the Parish Council website on 7th May.

- Deadline for completion of questionnaire Friday 21st May.

- ii. Dorset Council Climate & Ecological Emergency Strategy findings from public consultation - Loders Parish Council C&EE Working Group were disappointed at the limited extent of changes proposed as a result of comments arising from the public consultation.

8078. Communications

To consider and agree any actions in relation to parish communications

- i. Broadband - meeting to be arranged with local Chris Loder MP - date to be agreed at the May meeting.
- ii. Parish website - the request by the Loders Local History Group for a website search bar which they agreed to pay for (£100) was agreed by all. Clerk to progress with Vision ICT and confirm with the LLHG.

Proposed Cllr R Newberry

Seconded Cllr D Pullan

Resolved

8079. Training & Development

- i. New councillor training - Cllr McCrindle completed the DAPTC new induction training which she found to be very informative and useful.
- ii. Update from the Clerk re. CiLCA training course - the Clerk confirmed that she is progressing with CiLCA.

8080. To review correspondence received

None.

8081. Website and Eggardon & Colmers View

Items to be agreed at the May meeting.

8082. Agenda items for next meeting on 4th May 2021

DAPTC Service Provision survey, date of next C&EE meeting.

Meeting closed at 10.10pm

Chairman _____

Date _____