

GREAT LUMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held remotely via the Zoom online platform
Tuesday 2nd February 2021

- 1 Present
Cllr Richie Court (Chair)
Cllr Joan Robson
Cllr Phil Heaviside
Cllr Audrey Willis
Cllr Lian Court
Cllr Ray Pirrie
Cllr Jeremy Whiting
Cllr Tim Robson
Cllr Peter Brown
Cllr Carole Watkiss
Cllr John Parkin
Ian Heaviside (Clerk)
2 members of the public
- 2 Declaration of Interests
There were no declarations of interest
- 3 Public comments
Question from A Bell – Community Centre - Now that we are nearing the tender stage of the works, what is the anticipated total budget for the project and how much has been spent on professional fees so far and when do we expect to start and complete the works

Answer – Maximum £1.15 million budget including £252,000 from DCC, £105,440 from S106 Bellway Development, £32,199 From DCC Neighbourhood Budget (A Willis), £60,361 from precept and £700,000 from PWLB Loan. In addition to this there is a £30,000 DCC Neighbourhood budget allocation for a new play area (A Willis & A Bell)

£40,029.54 has been spent on professional fees so far

Question from A Bell - Community Centre Groups – Now we are looking at clearing equipment from the Community Centre what support is there for user groups to source and fund storage during the works.

The Council will be looking at what the requirements are for storage and noted that we would like to support all the user groups. We need to look at a storage strategy for the whole building.
- 4 Police Liaison Report
No formal report was provided by the Police and no reported incidents in the village
- 5 Minutes
The minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2021 was accepted as a true record with minor amendments
- 6 Matters Arising
View Point – Cllr Joan Robson has contact the artist to obtain a quotation to make good the vandalism – artist has said its not viable to repair the vandalism damage due to the age of the sculpture
Millennium Green Trust – Cllr Joan Robson has had a meeting with the MGT who have accepted that we install a barrier to the head of the recycling area.
Play Area – Scotbark have placed the bark at the play areas
Weeds in car park – DCC have now added this to their maintenance schedule
PWLB Loan – CDALC have not received anything further from Sec of State
Storage and disposal of equipment – Soft play equipment has been identified as the property of the community centre and with its age and condition needs to be disposed of. There are items which may be of interest to a local charity who are

helping people who are in need locally which are to be passed along to help and it was agreed to donate items which we no longer had need of.

Barrier leading onto playing field – Quotation received from DCC for placing a barrier at the playing field and recycling area entrances to prevent vehicle access in the sum of £2790.00. The barrier would need to potentially allow for PROW and for access to workers etc. We would also need to consider what the planning implications would be on the recycling area one for Havelli. Cllr Robson suggested that we might look at posts rather than a barrier as a cheaper option. Quotations will need to be sourced and reported to the next meeting.

Defibrillator- manufacturer was due to inspect however their engineer is self -isolating he will carry out the check to this unit and the ones at Bournmoor Scouts and Lambourne Close Community Room on his return to work.

Remembrance Day Activities

7 Environment and Community No items were discussed under this heading

8 Accounts The following amounts have been paid by the Parish Council since the last meeting

Expenditures	Virgin Media	DD	£38.40
	I Heaviside Salary Dec 20	Cheque 300020	£780.00
	I Heaviside Expenses Dec 20	Cheque 300020	£57.28
	I Heaviside Salary Jan 21	Cheque 300020	£780.00
	I Heaviside Expenses Jan 21	Cheque 300020	£52.39

Income	COVID support Grants	Transfer	£9357.14
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Total COVID support grants to date £ 26,204.14

The Supreme Court Ruling on business interruption insurance was mentioned in relation to our claim against our policy in March 2020. We await further development

9 Correspondence As contained in the distributed correspondence Log

10 Planning Applications As contained in the distributed planning log

11 Policies and Procedures No policies or procedures were submitted

12 Miscellaneous Items The advert for the Parish Clerk Position – Agreed to send this out and display on social media and website etc.

Fiona Ford has offered to assist with asset transfer portion of the Parish’s business free of charge on a temporary basis. This will be agreed at a future meeting when it has been placed on the agenda

13 Great Lumley Community Venture The CIO Trustees provided the following report: Nothing to report, no change since last month.

14 Community Centre Following diligent search, it appears that no minute could be located of the decision of the Council to refurbish the existing Community Centre rather than demolish and build a new one in connection with asset transfer. However, Cllr J Robson had found minutes from an extraordinary meeting held in November

2019 at which Cllr Bell, Gordon Elliot and others from DCC were present, and although a vote was not taken, after much discussion on new build or refurbishment, it was recorded that the preferred option was refurbishment. To normalise this situation a motion was submitted that the Parish Council will refurbish the Great Lumley Community Centre once asset transfer has been achieved.

Proposed Cllr Ray Pirrie Seconded by Cllr Carole Watkiss Carried 9 for 2 abstentions

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| 15 | Items for discussion at next meeting | There were no items noted
To consider solutions and quotations for preventing vehicle access to football field and recycling area.
To consider reducing the fees for annual football pitch hires |
| 16 | Next Meeting | Tuesday 2 nd March 2021 |

Amendment: The Chair acknowledges that Alan Bell has asked on several occasions for minutes of a meeting that showed a vote on refurbishment of Community Centre over new build. This matter has been resolved in a vote as in item 14 above.

Signed _____ R Court, Chairman Date 2nd March 2021