

Monthly Meeting of Great Lumley Parish Council

Held on Tuesday 7th May 2024 at 6.30pm
Great Lumley Community Centre

Present:

Cllr Phil Heaviside (Chair)

Cllr Alan Bell

Cllr Mhairi Pugh

Cllr Anne Lambton

Cllr Jeremy Whiting

Cllr Norman Foster

Ian Heaviside (Parish Clerk)

1.	Apologies Apologies for absence were received from, Cllr Carol McAllister, Cllr Neil Bains & Cllr Tim Robson
2.	Declarations of Interest Cllr Jeremy Whiting item 6.1
3.	Public comments There were no public comments
4.	Minutes of the last meeting Minutes from the previous meeting held on 2 nd April 2024 were agreed and signed.
5.	Matters arising from the minutes There were no matters arising
6.	Environment and Community 6.1 Millennium Green – An email has been received from Natural England solicitors re the PC taking of the lease agreement. Additional information has been requested to clarify liabilities. 6.2 Festival 2024 – Planning meeting on 15 th May to finalise all details Advice from insurers to be sought re cover for the event 6.3 Letter Head and Logo – Ongoing 6.4 Investigation into missing Grotto / Santa Suit Grotto has been located however its seems likely that the Santa Suit has been lost. Cllr Heaviside and Cllr Bell have agreed to add the replacement cost to their annual support for the Toddlers Group so that a suitable replacement can be purchased.

	<p>6.5 Improvement and Maintenance to Millennium Green Play Area – There are a number of issues with the play area with some of the equipment being quite old or not suitable for older children. It was resolved to get specialist firms in to quote on improvements then consider how to fund the works. In the meantime essential maintenance of £250.50 is to be carried out to make the current equipment and surfaces safe by DCC</p>
7.	<p>Community Centre</p> <p>7.1 Groups – No changes to the groups however once the caretaker has left there may be issues with opening up and closing</p> <p>7.2 Asset Transfer – Cllr Heaviside is liaising with our solicitor to urge a hasty completion.</p>
8	<p>Accounts - Summary of Income and Expenditure Nothing to Report</p>
9	<p>Personnel Sub Committee Resignation of the caretaker will require a further look at how to fill the role effectively going forward</p>
10.	<p>Councillor Reports – to receive updates on specific areas of responsibility: Minimal crime reported this month Improvements to the footpath heading down past the golf course may be back on the list for possible funding The proposed CIC which will take over the running of the Community Centre requires an additional Director. Cllr Foster has agreed to take on this role. Junior School – markings to be refreshed on road and DCC to install barriers to the path to prevent children straying into the road when waiting for school to open at 0840 Resolution to the view of views sculpture is still ongoing</p>
11.	<p>Planning applications There were no planning applications to note</p>
12.	<p>Correspondence Notification of payment of precept (DCC) AGARS Annual returns E Mail from Internal Auditor (annual audit) Various e mails re asset transfer from Solicitor Resignation of caretaker (previously mentioned) Several e mails re missing santa suit</p>
13.	<p>Matters for information None were noted</p>
14.	<p>Next meeting Tuesday 4th June 2024 at 1830 hrs</p>

Signed:

Date:

Councillor

Great Lumley Parish Council