

**Minutes of a meeting of Ludgershall Parish Council held at Ludgershall Memorial Hall
on Wednesday 9th May 2018 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Cllr P Thomas Cllr. R. Jones
 Cllr P Darvas Cllr.S.Lawson

Also present: Parish Clerk: Bobs Damerell; 8 members of the public

The meeting was opened to the public:

Meeting commenced at 7:30pm

- 1.0 After a period of deliberation Cllr Lawson was nominated, seconded and elected as Chairman
- 2.0 Cllr Darvas was then nominated, seconded and elected as Vice-Chairman
- 3.0 **Apologies** – None

4.0 Declarations of Interest – None

5.0 Minutes

RESOLVED to receive the minutes and confirm the recommendations therein of the meeting of the Parish Council held on: Thursday 19th April 2018 – LPC/12/1718 after amendments to remove Cllr Themis apologies and Cllr Jakeman from attending.

6.0 Finance

6.1 Account Balances:

RESOLVED to note that:

The balances for the Lloyds Bank accounts are as follows:

Treasurers Account	£14,340.85	(as of 30 th April 2018)
Deposit Account	£2,509.00	(as of 30 th April 2018)
Village Green Acct	£31,487.62	(as of 30 th April 2018)
Play Area Account	£5,698.16	(as of 30 th April 2018)

6.2 Payments:

RESOLVED to make the following payments from the Treasurers Account:

Cheques paid at meeting:

- Bobs Damerell - £420.05 (April Parish Clerk Salary) – Cheque 206
- Melanie Rose £27.60 (Internal Audit) Cheque 207
- Jim Goss - £25.36 (Tractor Fuel) Cheque Number 208
- Ron Jones - £55.00 (safety Equipment) – Cheque Number 209

RESOLVED to make the following payments from the Play Area Account:

March 2018 draw:

- 1st Prize - £50 cheque 170
- 2nd Prize - £35 Cheque 171
- 3rd Prize - £25 Cheque 172
- 4th Prize - £20 Cheque 173

6.3 Internal Audit – The clerk updated that he had met with the Internal Auditor who had signed off the Internal Audit without any issues.

6.4 Annual Return & External Audit - Cllr Lawson read out the relevant statements from internal audit document. The bank reconciliation documents will be available to the Parish between 14 July 2018- 3 July 2018.

6.4 Income - RESOLVED to note income:

Treasurers Account: 1st Half Annual Precept £5,080

Devolved services payment from Bucks CC £1,184.57

Village Green Account: Interest £1.31; Savings Account: Interest: £0.11.

6.5 Income and Expenditure report

RESOLVED to approve both Income and Expenditure Reports dated 30th April 2018.

7.0 Police Matters – nothing to report.

8.0 Parish Council Business

- Query from Mr Costar regarding Village Green Mowing – The Clerk confirmed that a query had been raised by Mr Costar in regards to the mowing of the Village Green outside his house. The clerk responded that the Village Green is mowed by the grateful, contributions made by volunteers which continues the tradition of volunteers within the community. As such the PC cannot compel a volunteer to cut the grass in certain areas.
- Future Bucks update – Following discussions at the AGM, Cllr Thomas stated that while a Unitary Council looks good, it would only be good for Ludgershall if Parish Councils were given more powers, but this looks unlikely, if anything control looked to be diminished. The volume of work for little return or control is what is putting off parishioners from joining the Parish Council.
- Approval of insurance quote – RESOLVED – It was resolved to adopt the renewal insurance quote.

9.0 Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC) – No Update

9.1 Buckinghamshire County Council – No update

10.0 Circulated in between meetings

Members noted that the following were circulated:

- Community Impact Bucks – Latest news for Bucks' charities
- My Bucks - News from Buckinghamshire County Council: April 2018
- My Bucks - Future Bucks update: Have your say on one new council
- Matthew Barber - Policing in the Thames Valley April 2018 - Sajid Javid announced as new Home Secretary announced

11.0 Planning www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/planningapplications - It was Resolved that in the case of Planning issues for individual dwellings, the Parish Council would take a neutral stand point. For those cases in regards to large scale development or those which will affect the Parish as a whole [these will be assessed on an individual basis. New planning applications will still though be published on the Parish Council Agenda.](#)

11.1 Members noted the status of the following previous applications:

Application number	Location	Description of Development	Current Status

17/02971/APP	Yew Tree Farm – Duck Lane, Ludgershall	Change of use of dwelling to form residential care home including associated works to outbuildings	Awaiting decision
18/00404/APP	Land Adjacent Piddington Road	Railway embankment stabilisation scheme, including earthwork re-grading, construction of access route and ecological mitigation measures.	Awaiting decision
18/00271/APP	Petty's Farm, The Green	Erection of a two storey dwelling with garage	Awaiting decision

12.0 Play Area - 200 Club – Members noted that the following winners were drawn:

May –

1st – £50 – Bill Gardner

2nd – £35 – Lil Adams

3rd – £25 – Simon Platz

4th – £20 – Kate Parker

13.0 Date of next meetings: It was Resolved to reduce the number of meetings to five meetings per year.

- 7 June 2018
- 6 September 2018

Meeting closed at 9:20 pm. The following remarks were then received from the floor:

- A member of the public enquired over the possibility of a memorial bench commemorating the end of the 1st World War and those from Ludgershall involved. Clerk to investigate possible grants. Cllr Thomas to check on cost of round tree benches.
- In terms of the new diesel tank. Cllr Thomas will measure the tank and source three quotes and pass these on to the clerk. It was also suggested to purchase a tank of diesel to ensure mowing continues.
- Cllr Jones again said that an offer of £350 had been made for the old mower. It was suggested to accept the offer.

Signed Date

Chairman