

Lyminster and Crossbush Parish Council

Minutes of meeting June 20th 2023

Held at The Beefeater Crossbush.

Present.

Cllr D Montagnani Chairman.

Cllr K Thompson Vice Chairman.

Cllr M Ashman

Cllr A Lark

Cllr D May

Cllr F Murphy.

Cllr S Langmead.

Clerk to the Council. Mrs Carol Hatton

Also attending. PCSO Allievi, Sussex Police.

District Councillor. McCauliffe

District Councillor. Pennycate.

1. The meeting was opened by Cllr Thompson.
2. Cllrs Montagnani, Ashman, Langmead, Murphy, Lark, and May were co-opted onto the council. District councillors Pennycate and McCauliffe were present to complete the quorum.
3. Councillor Montagnani was voted as chairman with Cllr Thompson as Vice chair. Cllr May was retained as planning chair. Cllr Montagnani took the chair.
4. Declarations of interest. There were no new declarations.
5. Minutes of last meeting. These were agreed and signed off by the chairman.
6. Parishioners' questions. PCSO Allievi was present to answer questions on matters relevant to the parish.

Cllr Montagnani commented that speed was one of the most prominent issues for the A284. Speeds had been recorded at over 138mph. A parishioner has kept records of the incidents and accidents on this road which we will forward to the PCSO. PCSO Allievi admitted that only 5 incidents had been recorded by the police whilst we had recorded over 120mph. WSCC (West Sussex County Council) have not been proactive on re-painting the white lines on the approach to the very sharp corner on the A284 and Church Lane junction. The PCSO suggested that anyone witnessing incidents should take number plates and report it to the police as part of Operation Crackdown. Any driver caught speeding would be given a warning which would be recorded on their license. **ACTION. Clerk to write to WSCC Highways to get white lines re-painted.**

It was reported to the PCSO that there are some rough sleepers in tents at the far end of the church (St Mary Magdalene) in Church Lane. He will liaise with the churchwarden to see if

they are causing any trouble. **ACTION. Clerk to liaise with Church Warden to understand position of the church.**

Regarding the Tommy silhouette, it was decided that due to opposition from members of the church it will not be permanently erected but brought out for Remembrance Day only.

SID. Cllr Thompson reported that so far quotes for these had been far too expensive. The Clerk has contacted WSALC to see if any other parishes are interested in group purchasing.

CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy). The Clerk had asked the Parish Council for ideas for future CIL, so far only one suggestion has been submitted. The chairman is compiling a spreadsheet.

7. Planning. F/6/23/HH. Cherwell, Orchard Lane. Comments needed from all councillors.

8. Finance. The Clerk reported that the current account stands at £4732, the savings account at £2671. There were no questions from Councillors regarding the Parish Council finances.

9. Rampion. Cllr Langmead advised that Rampion have decided on a route which will run through Lyminster and Black Ditch. They have reduced the size and area to site the turbines and opened a corridor between Rampion 1 and 2. They propose to erect 90 turbines. There have been numerous complaints from landowners regarding their treatment from Rampion.

Parishioners present at the meeting expressed their concern at the manner in which Rampion 2 was consulting with the community and taking on board their views and comments. The chairman suggested that the Parish Council writes to Andrew Griffith MP confirming again that that the PC supports the residents' objections and urge him to sustain his efforts in objecting to the current scheme. There was a suggestion that we find a planning KC who might be able to beat the legislation. **ACTION: Chairman to write to Andrew Griffith and reach out to a renewable consultant.**

A.O.B.

District Councillor McCauliffe commented that he had observed the state of The Paddock. He will follow this up.

The meeting closed at 20.30,

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday September 5th, 2023.