

LYMINSTER & CROSSBUSH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 26/08/2025.

Venue: the 6 Bells, Lyminster.

Clerk; clerk@lyminsterandcrossbush-gov.uk

1. **Welcome and apologies.** Cllr Langmead sent his apologies.
2. **Declarations of Interest.** There were no new declarations.
3. **Agree & sign off last meeting's minutes.** These were agreed and signed off by the chairman.
4. **Matters arising from the last minutes.**
 - a. **Black ditch bridge.** Clerk reported that she had tried to contact the relevant parties but there has been no response so far. Cllr Murphy suggested that we contact our local councillor and our MP to complain that we are getting no response from these parties.
 - b. **Speeding on Bypass.** Clerk to follow up the letter she sent to WSCC highways.
 - c. **Abandoned car on Crossbush Lane.** Clerk to follow up on this. 2 cars currently parked long term on the road.
 - d. **Solar panels.** Restrictions have been relaxed to encourage these. Planning has been passed retrospectively in the past which does not allow for any objections to be raised. We are to investigate the rules for solar panels. Email Steve McAuliffe.
 - e. **Notice Boards.** We have had a couple of quotes which are far too expensive for us at present. Clerk to go back to Mr Murphy to see if he can offer a better quote.
5. **Parishioners' questions.** Cllr Ashman reported that he had had a complaint that cyclists are still using the pavement. Clerk to check rules for cyclists on roads and pavements. The traffic is worse on the approach to Crossbush, and queues are longer. Clerk to raise this with ADC and ask if we can erect a sign to instruct cyclists to give

way to pedestrians. Clerk to liaise with Cllr McAuliffe to ask who to approach for this.

A resident has complained that now the road is higher, car headlights are shining into her house. We could ask Mr Harriott to refrain from cutting the hedge which obscures some of the lights. Clerk to approach Cllr Langmead and/or Jacksons to see if drop bollards could be erected on the side of the road which would deter caravans and the like parking on the land on the side of the road leading up to the bypass.

There are blocked drains on the B2284 which add to the risk of flooding during winter months. Clerk to approach Highways to deal with this. WSCC Steve Hill or Lee Newham.

Clerk to investigate whether the double white lines are going to be continued along the B2284. Residents cannot park on the side of the road if these lines are present as it makes the road too narrow.

Jackson to be contacted to see if a cowl could be fitted on the streetlamp outside Wolstanton House.

6. **Finance.** Clerk reported that current account stands at £1558.59 and savings account at £2013.15. The Clerk suggested that we will need to up our precept request next year, as the rise in prices has severely affected our bank balance. Cllr McAuliffe reported that we may be due some CIL money from the development at the Travis Perkins site, where permission to build has been granted. We should appeal that our housing allocation of 6 houses should be considered satisfied, as this development is within our boundaries.
7. **New sign for the bypass.** The chairman suggested that we erect a sign on the bypass with a 'welcome to the village' message. The council resolved to do this when we and if we are allocated CIL money.
8. **Planning.** Clerk to comment to ADC planning, that we should point out that the retrospective planning application for the Manor House is just another example of the reluctance to apply for planning permission. The council however agreed that the planning

application for the work on this property was something we would have approved given the opportunity to comment.

9. **Defibrillator check.** The chairman suggested that we minute every time we check on the defibrillator at the church. This is done every 2 months by the clerk. We need to register our machine to show the public its location. British Heart Foundation.
10. **Litter picking.** It has been suggested that we conduct another litter picking exercise. Clerk to arrange.
11. The next meeting is scheduled for November 4th. At 7.30, p.m.