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To be approved at
next meeting*

**LAMBERHURST PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Held on 8th September 2020 Remotely via Zoom.
The Purpose of this meeting is to deal with statutory
or urgent business during the current crisis.**

Members present:

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| Cllr David Hurst Brown (Chair) | DHB |
| Cllr John Uren (Vice Chairman) | JU |
| Cllr John Francis (RFO) | JF |
| Cllr Rolf Smith | RS |
| Cllr Sam Nicholas | SN |
| Cllr Dawn Beeby | DB |
| Cllr Clive Stott | CS |
| Cllr Steve Cannella | SC |
| Cllr Denis Cruse | DC |

In attendance:

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| Barbara Uren | LPC Clerk | |
| Tracey Dodd | Deputy Clerk/RFO | |
| Linda Hall | TWBC | LH |
| Graham White | NP Representative | GW |

Members of the Public: x 1

The Meeting was Recorded via Zoom and will be kept until the minutes are approved at the next meeting.

Welcome

The Chairman welcomed the councillors and those in attendance at the meeting.

1. Questions from the Public:

There were none.

2. Apologies for absence:

There were none.

3. Declaration of Interest:

There were none.

4. To approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 14th July 2020

Minutes Approved.

The signing of the minutes at a later meeting once normal service resumes was Agreed.

5. Updates from the minutes:

“Love where you Live”. BU said the matter was on-going
SN said there was nothing further to report regarding the habitat management programme on Hook Green Common Land.
The Memorial Hall formally re-opened 7th September 2020.
(SC & DB joined the meeting during this item)

At this point the Chairman invited GW to give an update on the NP See Item 9.
He also invited LH to speak and give her report.

6. Accounts:

Payments over £500.00 since the last meeting

£817.00 - Land Maintenance. (July 2020)
£579.00 - Legal Costs. (July 2020)
£598.95 - Legal Costs. (July 2020)
£725.54 - Legal Costs. (July 2020)
£609.98 - Office Equipment.
£541.80 - Land Maintenance. (August 2020)
£562.50 - Public Toilets. (August 2020)
£903.00 - Land Maintenance. (August 2020)
£1061.40 – Legal Costs. (August 2020)
£500.00 - Public Toilets (September 2020)

Deputy RFO to be added to the Bank Mandate. JF to arrange – **Approved unanimously.**

7. Planning:

No questions were raised

8. Clerks Actions S101:

The Clerks actions taken under s101 since the last meeting were considered and **Approved unanimously.**

9. Neighbourhood Plan:

Updates were given from GW and SN on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan.
Subject to the final review by the Steering Group as all aspects of the plan have been completed and are ready to submit to TWBC.

Green Spaces are still to be signed off.

GW requested that we formally adopt the Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 15.

Approved unanimously.

It was agreed that a summary of policies and the community plan would be prepared in a 4 page pamphlet format to make the plan more easily understood. The objective is to put the NDP to a Referendum in May 2021 at the time of the Local Elections.

A note of thanks was given to all those involved within the LNP committee group for their hard work, time and efforts in producing a Fantastic Document.

LH and GW left the meeting.

10. Tunbridge Wells Agreement.

Various changes to the Tunbridge Wells Agreement were considered and **Approved unanimously.**

11. Speed Watch & Speed Limits

SN reported that Speed Signs had been erected in the village, but more speed signs were needed for the Down and the Slade.

SN suggested that we contact the PSCO to see if anything could be done regarding the parking in the village.

DB suggested speeding signs- on the sides of Wheelie Bins.

It was agreed that consideration of a 20mph speed limited in parts of the village should be considered as part of the brief for the next Highways Improvement Plan (HIP).

KCC have advised that all new plans are on hold until May 2021.

12. None voting Members

DHB introduced the idea of having a small number of Non-Voting members attend PC Meetings. Such members would gain an insight to how the PC functioned and then might wish to stand for Election in the future.

Such a non-voting member would join one of the PC sub-groups but, at the invitation of the Chairman could be asked to contribute in debate on other matters as well. There was general support for the idea.

Any Councillors with knowledge of potential candidates should contact DHB.

13. Bins in Playing Field and Playground.

JU reported that the LFPA would like the Bin by the Youth shelter removed.

The removal of waste from the Chequers Field is the responsibility of LPC and this is becoming an issue, also as the bin is open the litter is being distributed by birds.

It was agreed that both open litter bins were removed and replaced by a new style of closed top bin that would be situated in the middle of the playground.

Litter would be monitored with the view to purchase another if needed.

The kind offer from a Resident for an additional bench for the playing field was accepted.

14. Matters of Urgency at Chairman's Discretion.

DB reported that the new proprietors at The Chequers Inn had enquired if the Village would welcome a Food Pantry for any excess food they ordered. It was agreed that LPC would support such a venture but the responsibility would have to be held by The Chequers Inn. The Chairman asked DB to communicate LPC Support.

Meeting Closed at 21.35

The Next Parish Council meeting is due to be held, if found necessary on Tuesday 10th November 2020

