

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LYMPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30PM
ON MONDAY 19th JANUARY 2015 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.**

PRESENT:	Councillors:	P Acca	Mrs J Clark
		D Atkins	R Eastley
		J Bailey	R Estcourt
		Mrs D Beatty	R Longhurst
		C Carter	Mrs K Rogers
			D Young

Also Present: County Cllr Hughes, District Cllr Ingham, the Press and 10 members of the public.

Apologies: The Police.

	<p>PUBLIC SESSION</p> <p>Mr Stewart reported that there was accumulating debris in the Wotton Brook at the lower end of the nurseries site. This needed to be cleared otherwise in heavy flow it would be washed down to the grid at the end of Chapel Lane and would cause a blockage. Cllr Mrs Beatty also reported that there was debris in the brook at Mill Field.</p> <p>Mr Stewart also reported that the brick skin on the wall to the brook had been removed and work had stopped. The Chairman agreed to follow these points up.</p> <p>It was mentioned that only a brief notice had been put on the Notice Boards and there had been no agendas posted on the website. The Clerk apologised for this which was due to a family bereavement.</p>
214	<p>Minutes</p> <p>RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 19th January 2015, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.</p>
215	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>Cllrs Carter, Mrs Clark and Longhurst declared a personal interest in item 9 as they were members of the Sailing Club.</p>
216	<p>Police report</p> <p>The Police had reported that there had been no crimes in the Parish for the last month.</p>
217	<p>District Councillors reports</p> <p>Cllr Ingham made reference to the type of candidates in the forthcoming elections.</p> <p>Cllr Atkins had discussed the matter of the dangerous tree at Berry Cottage with the Tree Officer and Planning Officer. Opinions had been given but no action had yet been taken. He would continue to press for this.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Clark declared a disclosable interest in this matter.</p>
218	<p>Chairman's report</p> <p>The Chairman was in regular contact with the EA regarding works in the Parish and reported that further works were due.</p>
219	<p>Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Clark reported on the recent visit of Brandon Lewis MP, Minister for Housing and Planning Brandon Lewis MP on 22nd January 2015. He had congratulated the Working Group members on their considerable effort on achieving a Neighbourhood Plan for Lympstone. He also gave pointers towards planning applications that had been refused on sustainability grounds or for being in the</p>

	<p>Green Wedge. The Neighbourhood Plan was to be considered by EDDC Cabinet on 11th February 2015 and, if approved, would go to Referendum on 26th March 2015 in the Methodist Church.</p> <p>The Working Group would be meeting again held next week.</p>																																								
220	<p>Exe Estuary Trail Mrs Carter, reported no progress and very little contact from DCC. Zsolt Schuller was leaving and it appeared that he was not being replaced. Nigel Flower, Sustainable transport Officer would be taking up his workload. Nigel had visited the Village in May 2014 and promised action. However, nothing was forthcoming so far. Cllr Stuart Hughes had announced spending of £1.3m to link the EET to Dawlish. 220K – 250k journeys were expected this year but the Trail was not meeting its commuter targets. No incidents had been reported last month as the Newsagents had now closed. The incident book was now held in the Village Shop. Mrs Carter agreed to chase up DCC, DCAF and report to the Press.</p> <p>Exmouth Town Council was looking to provide solar stud lights along the EET from Exmouth to Lypstone using Parishes Together funding. They had requested support of the Parish Council and this could be by providing more solar lights elsewhere. The path from the Village Hall to the School was suggested as was the path from Candy’s Field to Trafalgar Road although this presented technical and ownership challenges. Cllr Bailey expressed concern about the effects of this on wildlife. The Clerk was asked to include an item on the next agenda.</p>																																								
221	<p>Application for a grant by Lypstone Sailing Club Cllrs Carter, Mrs Clark and Longhurst repeated their personal interest in this matter. The Council considered an application for a grant towards the cost of refurbishing the gents changing rooms, including improvements to drainage. The works were estimated to cost £2,500. Mrs Carter explained the works and gave some information regarding the accounts of the Club.</p> <p>RESOLVED: 1that a grant of £500 be made to Lypstone Sailing Club towards the cost of this work. 2 that the policy on grants be considered at a future meeting</p>																																								
209	<p>Budget and the precept for 2015 – 16 The Council received an updated budget for 2015/16 to take into account the changes requested at the last meeting. The budget including a sum of £2,500 for a grant to the Sailing Club and so as a result of the previous decision, the balances would increase by £2000. RESOLVED That the revised budget be approved and a precept of £36,400 be issued upon EDDC.</p>																																								
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212	Budget Monitoring The Council received and noted a budget monitoring report for February.																																																																																								
213	Matters raised by Councillors Cllr Mrs Rogers reported that the Telephone Box at Gibraltar Road had a new door but had not been re-furbished as promised by BT. The Clerk agreed to follow this up. Cllr Estcourt asked if there was any provision by DCC to protect the cobbles opposite Lymstone Nurseries during re-surfacing works. The Clerk agreed to draw this to the attention of DCC. Cllr Bailey informed the Council that there was no longer a post box outside the Post Office (which was now in the shop. This meant that letters could not be posted when the shop was closed.																																																																																								
214	County Councillors report Cllr Hughes confirmed the news about resurfacing part of Meeting Lane now and Longmeadow Road and Church Road next month. DCC would be setting a rate increase of 1.99% which was within Government limits before triggering a referendum. Public Transport subsidies were under review including the No 56 Service which covered Lymstone. He discussed further area of review in order to meet a further reduction in Government support. The Council and public were amazed at some of the costs that were mentioned.																																																																																								

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