

## LYMINSTER & CROSSBUSH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held at St Mary Magdalene Church, Church Lane,  
Lyminster on Tuesday 23rd October 2018 at 7.30pm

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Members Present: Dan Montagnani (Chairman), Tracey Frampton, Clive Wicks, Roger Davies and Jenny Le Page; additionally Grant Roberts joined the meeting “virtually” via a Skype connection on the Chairman’s laptop

Additional Observers: Natalie Montagnani and Two Parishioners

1. Welcome and Apologies: Dan welcomed everyone. Vanessa Baron was unable to join the meeting.
2. Declarations of Interest: None.
3. Approval of the Previous Meeting’s Minutes: Roger pointed out a typing error and subsequently the minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.
4. Points Arising: Dan confirmed that the paperwork to change the name on the parish council bank accounts is in progress. Dan also reported that he has been informed that Richard Martin, a District Council officer, will come to inspect the Paddock re: tree pruning and general upkeep. Grant reported on his research into vehicle activated signs (VAS): he has gained the formal support of a County Councillor and subsequently applied for funding for a VAS. We await the outcome. It was suggested that we find out the accident data for Lyminster Road in order to help strengthen any potential arguments for signage or input to any future Lyminster bypass. Tracey agreed to request the data and circulate it.
5. Financial Report: Grant reported that the figures remain the same as at the last meeting: £2,117.89 in the main account and £333.90 in the savings account. No actions since the last meeting.
6. Neighbourhood Plan and Non-Strategic Site Allocation: Dan attended a recent meeting but there wasn’t much to report on. He made contact with the Chairman of Poling Parish Council to ask if they would be interested in partnering on a Neighbourhood Plan. The Chairman thought there would be little support for this from Poling Parish Council but that he would discuss it and report back to Dan. Notwithstanding this, it was agreed that Lyminster and Crossbush should pursue their Plan. Dan agreed to action returning the necessary paperwork to the District Council to complete the application for funding. If we are successful in applying for funding we will need to consider companies to invite to tender for the work of creating a Neighbourhood Plan. Dan has asked the District Council for an accurate map of our parish and the District Council has confirmed that it is possible to have all addresses in the Parish (but with no names) if we wish to approach the parish for a poll. With regard to the N-S SA it was suggested that we contact land owners in the parish to see if there is anyone who wishes to sell or develop their land, in order to nominate a potential site for development for any assigned quota of houses.
7. Lyminster Bypass and Options for a Poll of Opinion: Dan met with the Electoral Officers at Arun District Council yesterday re: having a poll on public opinion about the proposed Lyminster Bypass. The officers advised him of the correct protocol required to call a valid poll and provided a copy of the rules. Dan gave an overview of this to the parish councillors. A date of 6th December was offered as a possible date for our potential poll. Dan suggested phrasing questions along the lines of “Are you in favour of the existing proposed Lyminster Bypass? Yes or No” and then “Would you like to see an alternative route/plan? Yes or No”.

West Sussex Highways are shortly to submit the revised application for the Lyminster Bypass (following the extra work re-modelling flooding risk around Black Ditch). Grant raised concerns that the 6th December date may be after this application has been submitted, however, Dan commented that in all likelihood it would probably not make much difference whether the results of any parish poll were submitted before or after WS Highways have resubmitted their application. Dan proposed to write a series of letters to District Council members (including Sara MacKnight) to engage them with our desire for debate, options and review of data around the proposed Lyminster Bypass. Grant will also email Sara MacKnight to let her know of our proposed increased engagement. Clive volunteered to find out the weight restriction of the existing small bridge over Black Ditch to see if large lorries are breaking any weight restriction on that section of road. Tracey also offered to perform an informal survey of large vehicles on the Lyminster Road near the Crossbush junction. Dan will write to the Chief Executive of WSCC Highways.

8. A27 Bypass: The proposed meeting at Fontwell had been postponed. Dan commented that there may be problems ahead for the A27 as the proposed Arundel Bypass route (option 5a) is going back to public consultation. The National Parks are also challenging the A27 route.

9. Upkeep of the Paddock etc: As minuted earlier, Dan has arranged a site visit to the Paddock from Richard Martin; however, Clive also mentioned that Joe Russell-Wells, Arun District Council's Tree and Landscape Manager should be involved. Clive will follow up with Joe and Dan will forward Clive Richard Martin's contact details.

10. Lyminster Road Traffic / Speeding: As previously minuted Grant has applied for funding for a VAS. Tracey and Maya have taken the online test to become official speed-watch volunteers. their neighbour Barney has also agreed to sign up, as have Clive, Roger and Grant.

11. JEAAC: there has been no meeting since the last parish council meeting. The next one will be held on 6th November 2018.

12. EAM: Clive had nothing to report.

13. Winter Resilience Planning: Roger to draft a one page plan and circulate for discussion.

14. Parishioners Question Time: None.

15. AOB: Grant reported on the application for funding another 9 war memorial silhouettes for the Church (to represent one for every parishioner's life lost in the World Wars). Funding has been declined. It would cost £468 to buy another 9 ourselves but it was felt that we should conserve parish council funds for any potential poll which will have costs of around £1,000.

16. Next Meeting: 20th November 2018 at 7.30pm in the Church. Roger will book the Church.