

Ludgvan Parish Council

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Minutes – 26 August 2020

Minutes of the meeting of Ludgvan Parish Council held at 6.30pm on Wednesday 26 August 2020, a remote meeting held via Zoom.

Councillors present:

Councillors: R Mann (Chairman), M Parker (Vice-Chairman), S. Elliott, J Munday, C Price-Jones, M Squire (from 7.00pm), S Elliott

Officer present: Parish Clerk

Also attending: Six members of the public, attending individually, for interview.

Minute No.	SUBJECT
	Chairman's Announcements - the chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.
LPC072	Apologies for absence – were received from Cllr S Miucci, M Taylor and L Trudgeon.
LPC073	Declarations of Interest Councillor Price-Jones declared an interest in Minute LPC077 as a relation to one of the applicants. Noting the way that the vote was proposed to be carried out, Cllr Price-Jones stated that he would abstain from voting on the filling of one seat in order not to participate in the vote involving his relative. In effect, Cllr Price-Jones would cast two votes, not three.
LPC074	To approve written requests for dispensation - None
LPC075	<u>Minutes of meeting of the council held on 12 August 2020</u> Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting of the council, as above, having been circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
LPC076	Matters for decision, information excluded from the press and public Resolved - that in accordance with s.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following business owing to the confidential nature of that business.

	<u>CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS FOR DECISION</u>	
LPC077	<p>Co-Option of Councillors</p> <p>With three vacant seats on the parish council due to be filled by co-option, the parish council had duly advertised the vacancies and had received six valid applications from qualifying candidates. There were three vacant seats on the parish council, due to be filled by co-option. In accordance with the parish council's '<i>Procedure for Conducting Co-options</i>', candidates for these seats were invited, in turn, to attend the meeting to be interviewed on their suitability to be co-opted as a parish councilor.</p> <p>Resolved – that the vote for all three vacancies will be taken <i>en bloc</i> and that each member may cast up to three votes, with the Chairman's casting vote applied as usual, if necessary.</p> <p>Following completion of all interviews, co-options were voted upon by the councillors present. The co-option process required that in order to be co-opted, a candidate must receive an absolute majority (ie over 50% of the vote of those present and voting).</p> <p>Resolved – that Neil Badcock, Andrew Branchett and Nicola Osborne be co-opted as parish councillors for Ludgvan Parish Council, each of their terms of office to commence following completion and signing of the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.</p>	
	<u>Meeting closed: 8.58 pm</u>	<u>Signed by Chairman:</u>