**LONG LOAD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes** of a meeting of the Long Load Parish Council held at **the Village Hall, Long Load on Tuesday 19 July 2022.**

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**Present:**

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| Cllr Marsha White (Chair)  Cllr Pat Collins  Cllr Richard Collis  Cllr Diana Taylor  Clerk Dawn Porter  Cllr John Bailey (County)  Cllr Emily Pearlstone (County/District)  2 members of the public were present |  |

1. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr David May and Cllr Neil Bloomfield (County)

1. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest

**3. Matters arising**

There were no matters arising that did not appear on the agenda.

**4. DC/CC Reports**

A report was received from Cllr John Bailey. A copy of this will be uploaded to the website under the category Minutes of Meetings.

There was no representation from the District Council.

**5. La Lade Caravan Site**

There has been no response to date from the Planning Department as to what they are doing to enforce the site. The Rivers Authority had been contacted but the clerk was informed that they only deal with flooding issues. The staffing levels in the planning department are severely depleted and under strain currently. It was resolved that the clerk would continue to chase the planning department and to contact Natural England regarding the use of the site.

**6. Bus Services**

Cllr Marsha White confirmed that she has signed up to the Bus Charter Group who are trying to get support for a bus service through Long Load and to extend the hours of the slinky bus and requested that as many people as possible try and raise support for this. The idea is that if you have a bus that is permanent and comes at allotted times then the service will be widely used.

Cllr John Bailey agreed that the bus service needs support and confirmed that it will be supported by him.

It was resolved that the Clerk would try and find a poster from the Bus Charter Group and add it to the Parish Council website.

**7. Church Yard Opening Times**

Various points were raised on the subject. Parishioners and visitors had been unable to get into the churchyard at varying times of the day. Points were made on the question of reasonable access and open access, none of which have been agreed by the current occupiers.

It was resolved that nothing would be done at the present time by the Parish Council as the opening hours were agreed in a covenant attached to the property deeds as set out by the Church Commission.

**8. Parish Noticeboard**

Cllr Marsha White confirmed that this is now in the shed. It was suggested that the noticeboard is placed on the Village Hall wall to replace the old one.

It was resolved that Cllrs Pat Collins and Richard Collis will look at this.

**9. Correspondence & Planning**

No correspondence or planning applications were received.

**10. Accounts**

Two cheques were signed and the clerk confirmed that the issues with NatWest were now resolved.

**11. Public Participation**

It was questioned whether the laminated house map had been done and Cllr Marsha White confirmed that it had and was now in situ.

The issue of speeding was raised, and it was resolved that there was not a lot the Parish Council could do as previous solutions had been put forward but could not be agreed by all residents in the village. Cllr Marsha White offered a telephone number for the speed enforcement unit which was gratefully received.

The issue of the defibrillator was raised. It was resolved to add this to the next agenda.

**12. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 20 September 2022.

**13. Any other business**

Cllr Marsha White confirmed that there were 6 mugs left over from the Jubilee which were sold at this meeting.

Chairman Cllr Marsha White declared the meeting closed.

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