

Monthly Meeting of Great Lumley Parish Council

Held on Monday 3rd February 2025 at 6.30pm
Great Lumley Community Centre

Present:

Cllr Tim Robson (Chair)

Cllr Jeremy Whiting

Cllr Alan Bell

Ian Heaviside (Parish Clerk)

Cllr Neil Bains

Cllr Peter Brown

Cllr Carol McAllister

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mhairi Pugh Cllr Anne Lambton and Cllr Phil Heaviside

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Jeremy Whiting item 6.1

3. Public comments

There were no public comments

4. Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting held on 13th January 2025 were agreed and signed

5. Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising.

6. Environment and Community

6.1 Millennium Green –

It was resolved that minor amendments be made to the proposed agreement between the Parish Council and Millennium Green Trust so that should the Parish Council require any advice from the Trustees this could be invited on an ad hoc basis should it be so necessary

Cllr Whiting advised that Virgin Money had made a grant available of £5000 for maintenance and improvement works for the Millennium Green Area

6.2 Millennium Green Play Area Improvements

The final quotation for the improvements to the Millennium Green Childrens Play Area will be £81,000. The approximate cost of borrowing these monies will be £12,000 per year over a ten year period. The Parish Clerk will seek information from CDALC as to how to progress the borrowing process through the Public Works Loan Board.

6.3 Tree Maintenance to rear of Norwich Close Bungalows

No response from the contractor had arrived

7. Community Centre

7.1 Groups – All groups had been informed of the closure of the Centre on Friday 7th February and the need to remove all their equipment by that date

7.2 Great Lumley Community CIC Update – No updates

7.3 Funding Applications –

£20000 funding from Northern Powergrid has been accepted and should be in our account by the end of this week

£20950 from UKSPF for Professional fees has hit the bank

Notification of the £200,000 grant funding from UKSPF for community Centre refurbishment

£19568 funding has been approved from AAP for Centre Manager costs

A long lease for Great Lumley Community CIC will be discussed at the next meeting which will open up greater possibilities to seek capital funding

8 Accounts - Summary of Income and Expenditure

Parish Council

Income

VAT Reclaim 7,212.86

Costs

NEST Pensions (backdated) 1,930.98

LWP 9,552.00

Clerks Expenses 88.52

Payroll 90.00

SSL (Feasability Study) 8,340.00

Leamside Nurseries 140.00

Great Lumley Community CIC 3,500.00

Bank Charges 10.35

Community Centre

Income

Hall Hire 1,110.75

Costs

British Gas 942.92

SEFE Energy 46.47

SEFE Energy 677.66

Turner and Budd 435.05

Total Energies 21.64

Total Energies 374.55

9 Personnel Sub Committee

Nothing to report

10. Councillor Reports – to receive updates on specific areas of responsibility:

Potholes are being repaired throughout the village by DCC

The Police have informed us that they have no resources to provide localised reports

11. Planning applications

Application to fell a beech tree at 7 Lumley Thicks

12. Correspondence

DCC – Various UKSPF Funding emails

Numerous e mails re centre closure

AAP regarding presentation on Community Centre project

Hinkley and Rugby BS – re opening of account

SSL – Feasability Study Invoice wasn't submitted a year ago

DCC acknowledgement of our precept request

14. Matters for information

There were no matters for information

15. Next meeting

Monday 3rd March 2025 at 1830 hrs

Signed:

Date:

Councillor

Great Lumley Parish Council