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13 February 2025

Present, Chairman Swetman, Cllr Swan, Cllr Lee, Cllr Butterworth, Cllr Beales, Cllr Wellard, Cllr Hodgkins, Cllr Fox, Cllr Roberts.

Borough Councillor Northcote.

Minutes of **Loggerheads Parish Council** to be held at **Loggerheads Fire Station on Thursday 13 February 2025**

1. To receive and consider apologies for absence

   Cllr Sheard, Cllr Bennion, Cllr Panter, Cllr Love, Cllr Sedgley

2. To note declarations of Members' interests
   None to report.

3. To approve and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 9th January 2025.
4.
   Proposed Lee
   Seconded Swan
   Unanimous

5. Public Question Time

   No members of the public were present.

6. Updates from committee chairs (Finance & Planning)
   Minutes had been circulated.
   Finance –

   Trees work at the allotment - £780
   Proposed Cllr Roberts
   Seconded Cllr Hodkins

Planning
Cllr Love was not present Chairman Swetman gave an update about the Gladman appeal. He expressed his disappointment that NBC did not make any comments. The Parish Council had been represented by himself and Cllr Love. The main theme was not an objection to the housing but the lack of infrastructure to support the development. Chairman Swetman had mentioned the issues with the helicopter noise.

7. To discuss and respond to any outstanding planning matters – none to report

8. To approve the monthly payments and note payments approved in February.

   Proposed Cllr Wellard
   Seconded Cllr Lee
   Unanimous

9. Hales Club and Cricket pitch
   Chairman Swetman explained his concerns regarding the lack of sports pitches and Hales cricket club would be perfect. Chairman Swetman and the Clerk would investigate the ownership etc.

10. LV1 lease
    Cllr Beales told the meeting that the lease is for a building not for land. There is concerns over the content. Chairman Swetman was not happy to sign it in its current format. SCC were acting for the Parish Council for legal advice.

11. Community Asset Register items for expiration in February (see below)
    The list of expiring items on the ACV for the Parish, Chairman Swetman asked if the Council should put them back on the register
    Cllr Swann proposed
    Cllr Beales Seconded
    Unanimous

12. Speed indicator Device
    Proposal from Chairman Swetman to get quotes for a replacement.
    Seconded Cllr Roberts
    Unanimous.

13. Hugo Way playground
    Cllr Lee raised concerns about the state of the playground, Cllr Northcote stated that the repairs were imminent.

14. Consider member items
    None to report.

15. To receive reports from Staffordshire County Council, Newcastle Under Lyme Borough Council and Staffordshire Police.
    Borough Council Northcote gave an update from Staffordshire County Council on

their recent CQC inspection, County elections in May Cllr Northcote would be stepping down, devolution, SCC had four weeks to decide how they plan to deal with the situation. There was a petition available to Save our Borough which attracted 2000 signatures to date.

Highways were progressing with repairs; flooding was now placing a greater demand on the budgets for SCC. Extra investment of approximately eighteen million pounds had been set aside.

National Apprenticeship week has taken place.

Chairman Swetman asked Cllr Northcote to investigate the land ownership of the area on the Loggerheads Carpark.

16. To receive updates from Members on outside committees and bodies

Chairman Swetman explained that the first quote for Bell Orchard had been received. The Clerk had submitted a lottery bid for 20K.
The Parish Council had not claimed any VAT for 3 years, unfortunately the former Clerks mobile was receiving the gateway codes to access the account, this was being rectified.
Iris from the Library has handed over the cash from the library for £460. This will be banked.
Chairman Swetman and the Clerk are meeting with the volunteers for a coffee in the next few weeks.

The café had asked the Parish Council if they could perhaps look at installing some benches on the grass in the area to enable people to sit there. The café were going to make contact with the landowner. Cllr Northcote mentioned about applying for planning permission.

Cllr Roberts thanked Cllr Northcote for his contribution.

17. To note the meetings for the upcoming month

Planning - 03.03.2025
Finance – 10.03.2025
Full Council – 13.03.2025

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Assets of Community Interest Register - Successful Applications

Reference:	Nominated By:	Nominated Asset:	Asset Details:	Date Listed:	Date Notified of Sale:	Interim moratorium triggered Y/N:	Full moratorium ends (6 months):	End Date of Protected Period	Date asset to be removed from register (5 years):
NULBC/CAR/018	Loggerheads Parish Council	The Robin Hood Public House & Car Park - Ashley	The Robin Hood Public House & Car Park, Lower Road, Ashley, Market Drayton, Shropshire TF9 4NL	12th February 2020					12th February 2025
NULBC/CAR/019	Loggerheads Parish Council	The White Lion Public House & Car Park - Knighton	The White Lion Public House, Car Park, London Road, Knighton, TF9 4HJ	12th February 2020					12th February 2025
NULBC/CAR/020	Loggerheads Parish Council	The Peel Arms Public House & Car Park - Ashley	The Peel Arms Public House, Car Park, 83 Church Road, Ashley, Market Drayton, Shropshire TF9 4JY	12th February 2020					12th February 2025
NULBC/CAR/022	Loggerheads Parish Council	Loggerheads Library	Loggerheads Library, 7 Eccleshall Road, Loggerheads, TF9 4QB	12th February 2020					12th February 2025
NULBC/CAR/023	Loggerheads Parish Council	Loggerheads Allotments	Loggerheads Allotments, Adjacent to Hugo Meynell School, Eccleshall Road, Loggerheads, Market Drayton, TF9 4NU	17th February 2020					17th February 2025