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Minutes of the meeting of **Loggerheads Parish Council** held at **Loggerheads Fire Station on Thursday 17 September 2026 at 7pm**

Present:- Chairman Swetman, Cllr D J Swan, Cllr D Swan, Cllr Roberts, Cllr Butterworth, Cllr Love, Cllr Beddow, Cllr Wilkinson, Cllr Lee, Cllr Wagg, Cllr Fox

Minutes

1. **To receive and consider apologies for absence** - Borough Cllr Turnock, Cllr Sheard, Cllr Goodwin, County Cllr Williams, Cllr Whorton-Love, Cllr Sedgley

2. **To approve and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held in August 2026**
   Proposed Cllr Lee
   Seconded Cllr Love
   Unanimous

3. **Public Question Time**
   A member of the public was present to talk about the issues with the college / school buses in the area. There is disparity between the timings of Shropshire County Councils buses and Staffordshire County Council. Several children commute to Newcastle College, and the bus is not big enough and children are standing. College finishes at 15:30 and the bus is 17:45. The timings of the morning buses and afternoon buses need to be changed. A bus needs to be at 08:15 and 16:00 to accommodate the students' needs.
   Cllr Love stated that there are S106 monies for buses, however the triggers for the sites to pay the money are unlikely to be met soon.

   Chairman Swetman asked the Clerk to contact SCC to state that the bus service is not fit for purpose and ask for an amendment to the service. Highlighting the safeguarding issues. The MP would also be copied into the email along with Whitmore Parish Council. Cllr Beddow asked that the issues of people attending hospital appointments also be raised in the email.

4. **To approve the payments for September**
   Proposed – Cllr Love
   Seconded – Cllr Roberts

5. **Updates from Planning and Finance Committee meetings and to approve the minutes and actions.**

   Unanimously agreed to accept

6. **Proposal to write to Staffordshire County Council regarding the lack of bus service – Cllr Sedgley**

   Cllr Sedgley not present and discussed in the public session.

7. **Benches and sites for installation.**

   Chairman Swetman asked the Cllrs to suggest other areas where benches could be installed and let the Clerk know their suggestons.

8. **Knighton Play area**

   Chairman Swetman explained that the play equipment needs replacing. The proposal was a set of three swings and a bench. Clerk to get a quote

9. **Gritting – To resolve to continue with the previous gritting contract and regime**
   Proposed Cllr D Swan
   Seconded Cllr Roberts

10. **To receive reports from Staffordshire County Council, Newcastle Under Lyme Borough Council and Staffordshire Police and any other outside committees that Councillors represent**

    None to report

11. **LV1 and asset transfer update**

    Hugo Way and Tadgdale is suspended until NBC confirm they are willing let the Parish Council have the S106 monies directly. A deed of variation had been requested and NBC were looking into this.
    LV1 is nearly completed, all the searches have been carried out.
    Chairman Swetman gave a presentation on Blymhill Village Hall which was aspirational for LV1 and LPC

    A discussion took place regarding the facilities that would be provided at LV1 and the potential for public consultation around the precept and crowd funding.

12. **Date of next meeting**
    October 15 2026 – Venue TBC (either Ashley Chapel or the Library, Clerk will inform as soon as possible)

    Meeting ended 20:03