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Minutes of the meeting of **Loggerheads Parish Council** to be held at **Ashley Methodist Church on Thursday 15 October 2026 at 7pm**

Present: Chairman Swetman, Cllr Butterworth, Cllr Swan, Cllr Lee, Cllr Roberts, Cllr D Swan, Cllr Fox, Cllr Love, Cllr Worton-Love, Cllr Goodwin, Cllr Sedgley, Cllr Sheard

1. To receive and consider apologies for absence - Cllr Beddow, Borough Cllr Turnock, Cllr Wilkinson

2. To approve and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held in September 2026

   Proposed – Cllr Lee
   Seconded – Cllr Roberts

3. Public Question Time – A maximum of 15 minutes allowed for public questions. – None present

4. To approve the payments for October

   Proposed – Cllr Lee
   Seconded – Cllr Roberts

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

   Planning – It was noted that the planning application for car wash had been received 15.10.2026

   Cllr Love gave an update on the meeting with Urban Vision. They would review the current policies and then start to engage with the public for any updates or changes. Cllr Love had been speaking with NBC strategic planning as part of the housing needs assessment.

   Finance – Cllr Lee gave an update on the finance meeting and the transfer of monies from the CCLA to the UT bank account. He went onto to say that a S137 grant for £500 had been received and the Clerk would arrange payment.

Proposed Cllr Lee
Seconded Cllr Swan

6. To note the return of the external audit and note any comments.

   Noted.

7. To note the interim internal audit and any comments
   No comments to note.

8. To approve the purchase of benches for various locations (seven)

   The Chairman and Clerk had met with Sovereign play at Knighton, and the approx. cost of seven benches would be £3500 for the various locations.

   Proposal from Chairman Swetman to purchase benches to the cost of £3500
   Seconded Cllr Swan. Unanimous

   Proposal from Chairman Swetman to purchase the secondhand bench (Remembrance Day) for £89
   Seconded Cllr Sedgley - Unanimous

9. LV1 update – Chairman Swetman gave an update to say that the SLA has now been signed and sent back and we await the final parts of the paperwork.

10. Knighton Play area – Chairman Swetman and the Clerk had met with Sovereign play to talk about a set of swings and we are awaiting the quote. He had also visited LV1 to talk about MUGA. The Clerk had spoken to the maintenance officer about arranging some proper bike ramps which he would investigate.

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

    No County Councillor present
    Borough Cllr Sedgley – reported that the LGR was on hold.
    A campaign to confiscate and crush nuisance cars causing ASB
    He gave an update on his diary commitments for the previous month.
    Cllr Love asked Cllr Sedgley who the nominated officer for the new planning system. He would find out and report to the Council.
    Cllr Love asked for an update on the local plan – Cllr Sedgley would report back.

    Cllr Fox – gave an update on St Mary's School. A new CEO has been appointed; a new class 3 teacher had been appointed. The outdoor space has been refurbished. A drive to market the school to increase the school numbers.

12. Date of next meeting November 12, 2026, at the Fire Station.

Meeting ended – 19:25