

Lynesack and Softley Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING – draft until signed	
DATE Thursday 17 th June 2021. 7pm	
VENUE	Butterknowle village hall
AGENDA	
ITEM	
	PRESENT: Cllrs J Newell, D Wallace, V Balchin , C. Simpson, R.Lowson, R Kellett and C Starks County Councillor James Cosslett 2 parishioners C Dodd (clerk)
1.	Welcome to new County Councillor: County Councillor James Cosslett was introduced to all Parish Councillors and those present in the room
2.	Apologies: County Councillor R Potts
3.	Declaration of interest: None
4.	Minutes from the last meeting to approve, sign and date. Done:
5	Matters arising from previous minutes: Repairs have been carried out to the pavement o/s 2 Copley Bent, to very poor standard – to be re-addressed. The barrier on the cattle grid has not been repaired The chevron signs at the bottom of Stag’s Head bank have not been removed Village signs for Lane Head have been made and to be fixed. Unable to find fly tipping settee, more information required. With regard to the gate being on private land , has the owner got Public Liability Insurance?
6	Accounts: A) Invoices to approve 1) Clerk’s wages £255.82 2) Clerk’s PAYE £63.80 3) ICO (Information Commissioners Office) £60 4) Deco £34.80 5) SE Landscaping £456.00 6) Crown Garage £12.00 B) Balance of current account was read out C) Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance Statement were approved and signed. Certificate of exemption also approved and signed. Accounts to be published on our website on Sunday 20 th June and exercise of public rights to commence on Monday 21 st June for 30 working days
7	Planning applications: DM/21/01798/FPA. Watson and Carne. Little Acre, 5 Grewburn Lane, Butterknowle. DL13 5QQ – 2 storey side extension. No objections
8	Planning decisions: None

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9	<p>Highways/Parish matters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Complaints have been received about the amount of 'horse muck/droppings that are actually on the pavements, outside of people's houses. A request has been made that a polite poster is put up on the Community Notice Board asking the owners/riders of horses that they try and avoid this situation. 2) Drains blocked with silt opp 1 Copley Bent – to be re - reported 3) The shed at Copley play area to be either demolished or taken away 4) Road drain blocked outside Greystones, Copley 5) The brick/stone on top of the bridge over the Gaunless, Butterknowle side, still hasn't been replaced 6) Find and Fix to be approached with regard to work in the villages 7) On Pinfold Lane work has been carried out which meant trenches being dug in the road. When these trenches have been filled and settled there are several areas where the road surface now dips and needs re surfacing 8) A request has been made from a parishioner in Copley to have a birthday party for their son at Copley Play area field, this to include a bouncy castle. No objections as long insurance is held for the bouncy castle, all rubbish is taken away and Covid rules apply. 9) The grass in front of the public toilets in Butterknowle needs cutting 10) An allotment holder has asked permission to have a greenhouse - approved 11) The vegetation is overgrown and covering the footpath on Pinfold Lane, from the top at Butterknowle all the way down the bank 12) The footpath between 3 Brecon Court and Mossford House is uneven and broken 13) The hedge at Rose Cottage is covering the footpath and needs cutting back Junction of C42 and B6282. 14) Bush needs cutting down opp Rose Cottage on B6282, next to the stone bridge 15) County Councillor Cosslett was invited to look around our Parish and identify anything that he felt needed dealing with
10	Officers/members reports: None
11	Correspondence. None
12	Any other business. Jeanette Newell proposed and Valerie Balchin seconded that Mr Chris Carrick be co opted on to the parish council as a member. Chris accepted and was given all documentation required to complete.
13	Items for future consideration: None
14	Date of next meeting: Thursday 15 th July 2021 - 7pm in Butterknowle village hall.. Meeting closed at 8.00pm.