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LOUND PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1st September 2025. The meeting took place at 7pm at the Village Hall. ~~Subject to amendment until signed by the Chairman at the next meeting~~

Present: Miles Thomas (Chair), Paul Strowlger (Vice Chair), Gayle Welsh, Jenny Ozinel, Connor Moore, Jill Day, Carly Jones, Jill Brown (clerk). Also present were Keith Robinson (County Councillor), Ed Back (County Councillor).

1. **Welcome and Apologies** – Apologies were received from Paul Ashdown (District Councillor) – no acceptance necessary.
2. **Declaration of interest and requests for dispensation** – There were none declared.
3. **Minutes of the Previous Parish Council Meetings** - The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7th July were agreed. Proposed by Jill D. Seconded by Jenny. The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on Tuesday 22nd July were agreed. Proposed by Jill D. Seconded by Jenny. No objections.
4. **Public Forum** – There were no members of the public present.
5. **Updates**
 - Speed Indicator – The stats were looked at and these will be forwarded on as previously.
 - Warm Welcome Rooms – Miles is submitting an application for funding to cover 19 sessions starting on 4th November. There is £88 left from last year’s budget. More volunteers are needed.
 - Grants update – The Village Hall’s new sound system that was grant funded worked well at the recent music event. The event was busier than last year and the flags worked well in attracting passing traffic. Progress with the conservation grant is on-going.
 - Notice Boards - Paul S gave an update. More info is needed and another quote will be sought. A local company may be the most suitable, which would also mean there may be grant income available. Another option would be for this to go into next year’s budget to be covered by precept.
 - Clerk’s laptop – A suitable laptop was decided upon. Jill B will research the supplier offering the best price. County Councillors have offered assistance with grant income up to £600 and PC will cover the remainder up to £200. Paul A has offered to use his credit card to make the purchase and then this will be reimbursed. Proposed by Gayle, seconded by Connor. No objections.
 - Village Hall report – The Village Hall has now been open for 30 years. There are plans to install a kitchenette upstairs.

Signed

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6. **Reports from District and County Councillors** – Keith said that in future there will be the opportunity for Parish Councils to take on more local responsibilities (e.g. cutting grass verges etc). This would be funded and is entirely optional.
7. **Planning: Application Number DC/25/2911/FUL** – The planning application was considered and a reply drafted as per Appendix One. Proposed by Jenny, seconded by Jill D. No objections. Clerk will submit comments to ESC.
8. **Review of Asset Register and Decision on Insurance Renewal** – The asset register was reviewed and adjustments were needed to two items: Noticeboards revalued at £3000. Laptop revalued at £800. (To pre-empt intended purchases). Clerk will email Zurich insurers with the new amounts for a revised quote. Proposed by Carly, seconded by Gayle. No objections.
9. **Correspondence** – There was no correspondence not already dealt with or circulated
10. **Email addresses** - The new email address is loundparishcouncil.gov.uk. Miles has set all Councillors and clerk up with a new email address. Miles, Jill D, Jenny, and Jill B have aligned their account with outlook. Will be reviewed at next meeting in September.
11. **a: Review of income and expenditure** and balances to end August 2025. Review of bank reconciliation to end of August 2025. Review of actual and forecast income to end August 2025. There is a 0.04p discrepancy in the amount of grant income brought forward from last year. Otherwise, all agreed. Proposed by Paul S, seconded by Gayle. Paul S agreed bank reconciliations against bank statements and signed.
b: Payments to Authorise:
Clerk's salary to end of September 2025 and end of October 2025. Proposed by Jill D, seconded by Carly.
Any other payments to authorise.
12. **Dates of Future Meetings 2025** - 3rd November, 5th January, 2nd March.
13. **Councillors Forum** – Dog Waste Bin. Step on Heath, (reported by Miles).


The meeting ended at 8.20pm

Appendix One – Parish Council Meeting on 1st September 2025.

The Parish Council considered Planning Application DC/25/2911/FUL and drafted a comment as follows:

Lound Parish Council would like to reserve judgement on this Planning Application until further information is provided regarding plans for the Mill structure which is adjoined to the property in question.

Signed

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