

**MINUTES OF THE LOSTOCK GRALAM PARISH COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY
MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 30th SEPTEMBER 2024 VIA ZOOM**

PRESENT: Parish Councillors M Venables, T Hodges, K Hodgkinson, P Walker, T Smith, I Parkinson, P Cobley, and A Ross.

IN ATTENDANCE: L Sandison, Clerk

The meeting commenced at 6.00 pm

1) APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr M Litton and L Cashmore.

2) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr T Hodges, Cllr K Hodgkinson and Cllr P Walker declared a personal interest in Lostock Gralam Community Centre as members of the Community Centre Association Committee.

3) PARISH COUNCIL CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON 2024

- a. The PC discussed having the Christmas lights switched on automatically vs. paying an electrician £150.00 to attend and switch them on at 5.00pm on 22nd November. The Cllrs considered the issues raised this year by CWAC and the school PTA. The Parish Councillors therefore propose that a decision to have the Christmas lights switched on automatically with no audience be approved at the next PC meeting.
- b. The PC discussed possible Christmas event ideas but agreed that time is against the parish council now to change the existing format for this year's event. The Councillors therefore propose that the standard light switch on event be approved at the next PC meeting, with the event being held at the Church Hall, with hot dogs, cakes, gingerbread decorating, balloon modelling and music by PCSO Hambleton.
- c. The PC discussed the school choir and propose that they are invited to sing at the Church Hall.

Meeting Closed at 6.35pm