Minutes of Ludlow 21 Board Meeting 2nd March 2017 at the Feathers Hotel

Present – Tish Dockerty, Liz Taylor, Ian Urry, Megan Blackmore, Kim Holroyd (from item 4), John Daniels (from item 6), Nina Foord (from item 6)

1. Apologies for absence – none	
2. Declarations of interest – none	
3. Minutes of last board meeting held on 19 th January 2017 Board agreed that the minutes were an accurate record of the meeting	
4. Matters arising (not elsewhere on the agenda) MB still to ask group reps if they would like an @ludlow21.org.uk email address.	MB
MB had drafted words for an email to encourage supporters to become members. Board	
suggested some amendments. MB to finalise and send. Website – TD had sent around proposals for an update. Everyone agreed this, MB to	MB
implement. Group reps to send text and images for a static (reviewed annually) page for their group and send to MB.	MB
New membership leaflet to follow on from changes to the website. Green Festival – TD had drafted a document about the Board's priorities for the GF and shared with the GF committee.	
TD had contacted Alan Stewart re the Energy subgroup. Alan felt that there was a decline of interest in the group at the moment due to a lack of funding for projects. Roger Furniss is doing some things regarding renewable energy. A gap exists to be	
filled if anyone would like to take on. TD still to email Catherine at Grow Cook Learn re. any info to communicate with L21 members	TD
5. Green Festival Green Drinks in February had been used to give an update on the Green Festival.	
Education. IU due to meet again with Ludlow Infants School next week. Had a meeting with the youth club, planning workshop sessions to make bunting for use or sale. Also may work with guides or brownies. Looking for donations of fabric scraps. Also other activities during Easter holidays, making bug hotels, planting sunflowers, etc. Ludlow College holding a 'community engagement' day at end of March, invited L21 to have a stall. Possible subject matter to include People and Planet – info about Eryn Lawley who was sponsored to attend conference last year, offer to sponsor another student this year. Also recruit students to be involved in the Green Festival eg musicians, photographers, volunteer stewards.	
TD had looked into Tesco community grants. L21 is eligible. Could possibly apply for GF, but might make more sense to apply for a wider project which would last longer. Possibly also staff available to get involve in community projects. LT reported that Mid-counties Co-op are offering staff to get involved in projects. LT to communicate this to Erica.	LT
LT to research what grant funding is available and report back to a future meeting.	LT
Ludlow Junior School are looking for people to be involved in their STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths) day in June. TD will put them in touch with IU.	

6. Financial Matters

Board welcomed Nina Foord, who is taking over book-keeping.

JD had received a summary from Gillian.

Clare Currant had spoken with Gillian to clarify issues relating to payment of membership subs.

TD reported that Food & Farming group had stock of approx £750 worth of bags which had been paid for from L21 funds, so F&F group should pay L21 for the cost of the bags. Payment to be arranged in instalments.

NF has seen proforma spreadsheet which accountant has asked to be used, and is happy with these. NF will be aiming to take over from Gillian Mortimer by financial year end.

Change of signatories for bank account:

The following resolution was proposed by LT and seconded by KH. The Board voted unanimously in favour.

It was therefore resolved that:

the authorised signatories in the current mandate, for the accounts detailed in section 2 of the Change of Signing Authority for Company or Limited Liability Mandate, Account number 82529450 and Account number 82529469, be changed in accordance with section 5 of the Change of Signing Authority for Company or Limited Liability Mandate, the authorised signatories are to be changed by the addition of John Daniels and Nina Foord and the removal of Roger Furniss, Gillian Mortimer, Denise Thompson and Alan Stewart and the current mandate will continue as amended

7. Strategic Development of Ludlow 21

LT suggested a need for medium term strategic planning and thought about the role of the Board in running a very wide-ranging organisation.

JD mentioned renewable Energy group being dormant, and possibly making connections with Roger Furniss's U3A group.

KH suggested taking forward the agenda laid out in the new Zero Carbon Britain report. KH to look into this and contact the person from CAT who is interested in a stall at the Green Festival.

There are many national and global causes and campaigns related to L21's remit. JD suggested adopting one and raising its profile locally.

Sue Munro had emailed regarding shops having doors open and wasting heating. Board | MB felt this was a campaign that should be supported. MB to respond to Sue and see if she would be interested in doing something with the backing of L21.

Strategic Development to feature on the agenda for meeting on 6th April.

8. Feedback from affiliated groups

Transport group had met and sent minutes.

Fairtrade Fortnight, lots of events happening. Talks, cafe, schools poster competition, market stall, Traidcraft Spring Fair and Big Brew. LT circulated a postcard from

Traidcraft.	
Climate Friendly Diet continuing with shared suppers – regular members plus two new members. Will be present at the Ludlow College day.	
Swifts – TD will contact Robin Pote.	TD
Incredible, Edible. Group met. Schools all contacted re Ludlow in Bloom. Group growing plants for Ludlow in Bloom. Potential project with land in front of Ludlow Brewery.	
GSX. MB to circulate relevant info to members.	MB
Food & Farming. Shop going well. Will be extending opening hours as the weather improves. Noticeboard to be installed, can feature L21 information.	
9. Round-up of local, national and global developments People4Ludlow met tonight. Had held a meeting re getting every seat contested in Town Council elections	
10. AOB People4Ludlow had asked if anyone on L21 Board is interested in planning. There is a review of local planning going on, with consultation, would like input from Ludlow 21. MB to contact Chris Deaves for more info and circulate members asking for anyone who is interested in being involved.	МВ
KH to investigate possibility of sponsoring a young person for People & Planet conference this year.	КН
KH had met with Lucy Heasman who had lots of ideas for the Green Festival. Board were very impressed with her suggestions. KH to invite her to next GF meeting.	КН
11. Date of Next Meeting 6 th April (subsequently postponed to 20 th April), 18 th May, AGM Thursday 22 nd June 7.30	