

# LANEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Laneham.**

**PRESENT:** Parish Councillors: Cllr E Collier (Chair), Cllr G Woodfield (Vice Chair), Cllr B Mason, Cllr P Beckett, Cllr T Williamson.

In Attendance: Cllr S Isard, Cllr K Isard, Cllr J Ogle, Mr E Briggs T Callaghan (Clerk).

### 1. APOLOGIES

None

### 2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS.

Cllr G Woodfield – St Peters Church

### 3. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018

The minutes of the Monthly Parish Council meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 were agreed to be a true record, proposed by Cllr B Mason and seconded by Cllr G Woodfield.

### 4. POLICE REPORTS

- (i) Clerk read out press release regarding conviction of Jonathan Downes of Rufford Avenue, Retford, for various offences including two burglaries in Laneham. Sentence overall 7 years.
- (ii) Cllr Collier briefed the group on the meeting at Tuxford regarding local/rural policing.
- (iii) Clerk advised group of confirmation from the Neighbourhood Policing Team that a permanent replacement for PC Bailey was expected to be in post after May 21st

### 5. MATTERS ARISING

- (i) Passing Places-Helenship Lane Ongoing
- (ii) Street Lighting No failures reported.
- (iii) Moorings Ongoing
- (iv) Village Hall electrics. The defibrillator box is now fitted. Cllr Collier arranging visit by electrician to complete works required as identified by survey and connect defibrillator box.
- (v) Poor Close Accounts. Ongoing. Cllr Collier will speak to Mr G Scrinii who has become a trustee of the trust.
- (vi) Casual Vacancy. Subsequent to the resignation from Cllr Sumnall, some interest has been noted. Clerk awaiting formal notices from Bassetlaw to initiate process.
- (vii) Ferry Lane Gate. Ongoing. ViaEM contacted regarding misuse of lane/area by off road vehicles.
- (viii) Bench-Broadening Lane: Awaiting response from BDC. Clerk to follow up.
- (ix) Bridge-Hoo Lane. Clerk received map. Will raise again with BDC
- (x) Telephone Kiosk-Response received Bassetlaw DC Planning Dept not advised of proposed removal. Clerk to contact BT.
- (xi) Notice Board-Maintenance. Due to disrepair of board agreed to replace by councillors. Cllrs K & S Isard kindly offered to grant the money for a new board and this was accepted. Cllrs thanked Cllrs K & S Isard for their help and assistance and generosity.
- (xii) Village Hall Insurance. Renewal received by Village Hall Committee. Council contribution toward cost agreed at £550.50 by councillors (6-0)
- (xiii) Potholes. Helenship Lane is in serious disrepair for its full length. Clerk to request survey and remedial works. Moor Lane is also in serious disrepair, notably at the junction with Main St and also generally along its length. Clerk to request survey and remedial works.
- (xiv) Boiler Repairs. Works completed.
- (xv) Off Road Vehicles-Local Damage. Considerable damage has been caused in a number of areas by off roading. Concerns raised by councillors and issues to be discussed with BDC/local police.

Meeting closed 7:50pm

### 6. PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

Mr Briggs noted that Fox Covert Lane was also being affected by misuse and would benefit from being closed in winter months to restrict the damage as was being done elsewhere. It was also noted that the general condition of Hoo Lane and Goosemoor Lane had deteriorated and would benefit from attention. Cllr Ogle suggested contacting Notts Co Council regarding closing rights of way during the winter period.

Cllr Ogle also stated that the increase in Council Tax was largely due to increased costs relating to both Social Care and Education.

Meeting re-opened 8:00pm

## 7. ACCOUNTS

### (a) Payment of Accounts

Clerk presented the following invoices to the meeting.

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|------------------------|--------|----------|------------------------|
| M Fanthorpe            | 000059 | £ 369.17 | Maintenance            |
| T Callaghan            | 000060 | £ 194.96 | Clerk's Wages          |
| NALC                   | 000061 | £ 95.38  | Membership             |
| Village Hall Committee | 000062 | £ 550.50 | Insurance              |
| Clifford Heating       | 000064 | 368.40   | heating service/repair |

(b) Receipts £26.75 from Mr Briggs in respect of 25 speeding signs.

### (c) PRECEPT APPLICATION 2018-2019 TO BASSETLAW DISTRICT COUNCIL (BDC).

The Clerk provided the meeting with details of the meeting along with details of the 2017/18 precept, actual expenditure to 31/12/2017 and forecast expenditure for the full year 2017/18. BDC advised that the following annual grants were available from them for the year 2017/18.

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|------------------------------|----------|
| BDC Concurrent Grant         | £29.00   |
| BDC Public Convenience Grant | £4563.00 |
| BDC Street Cleaning Grant    | £218.00  |

The meeting discussed several options and agreed the following proposed expenditure for the financial year 2018/19

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| General Administration/stationery            | 200.00             |
| Clerk Wages                                  | 2675.00            |
| Graveyard maintenance                        | 700.00             |
| Agency Work – Public Conveniences            | 4563.00            |
| Insurance                                    |                    |
| - Assets & Liabilities                       | 400.00             |
| - Village Hall building                      | 600.00             |
| Auditor expenses                             | 300.00             |
| Running costs – Village Hall                 |                    |
| Village Hall Repairs                         | 5000.00            |
| Bank Charges                                 | 0.00               |
| Donation to Laneham Church                   | 250.00             |
| Donations - other                            | 350.00             |
| Misc – subs, training, website               | 200.00             |
| Misc – grass cutting and tree removal/litter | 1000.00            |
| Misc - General Repairs                       | 500.00             |
| Misc -                                       | 1000.00            |
| Misc - Clerk/Councillor expenses             | 50.00              |
|  | 17788.00           |
| <b>From parish funds</b>                     | 5000.00            |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>£ 12,788.00</b> |

The Parish Levy element of the Council Tax on a Band D Property will be £45.20. Cllrs are pleased this represents a small decrease on the amount for 2017/18 given the rises in council tax overall. The forecast includes a contribution from reserves of £1000 in order to help mitigate the effect on households with the expectation of a general rise in council tax to help with the cost of social care along with a further spend of over £5000, made possible by successful applications for Lottery Funding. The Parish Council continues its program of renovation and modernisation for the structure of the Village Hall, to bring it to an acceptable standard fit for purpose, helped by the award of a further lottery grant for this specific purpose. Long outstanding works on the

heating system were reported last year, with a full refurbishment and replacement of the roof having been completed this year. Councillors hope to make further improvements in 2018/19 and have funds available for this purpose and are hopeful of adding to these with subsequent applications for additional Lottery grants. It was noted that the grant money was specifically for the purpose of renovation of the Village Hall. The Chair thanked the Clerk for the preparation work on setting the precept.

**8. PLANNING** (*note- papers can be viewed by the public and comments made via the Bassetlaw Website <http://publicaccess.bassetlaw.gov.uk/online-applications/> using the references below*)

F/3696-(a.) Development of a possible waste processing and wood burning plant at Headon Camp

(b.) Development of a possible waste processing plant at Headon Camp

Councillors discussed the proposals for the above and will look have a presence the public meeting scheduled for Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

British Legion-Lamp Post Poppies-it was agreed (6-0) to purchase 20 poppies in advance of the centenary celebrations of the end of WWII to decorate the villages.

**10 LANEHAM LAST MONTH**

Cllr Williamson noted the introduction of the 30mph signs and asked whether further signs, possibly with the "30 for a reason" message could be purchased. Cllr Mason offered to investigate.

Cllr Beckett advised the cinema held in the Village Hall continued to be very successful, having been sold out for all performances.

Cllr Collier noted that on Rampton Road, 50 yards from the copse, a large hole had appeared near the manholes. This was dangerous and needed repairing urgently. Clerk will contact Highways.

Cllr Williamson noted that the street sign on Main St, at Butchers Mews had been damaged by a reversing lorry. Clerk will contact Planning for a repair/replacement.

**11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None

Meeting closed 8:40pm

Next monthly meeting 7.00 pm at Village Hall, Laneham on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018.