

LANEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Monday 14th September 2015, 7.00 pm at the Village Hall, Laneham.

PRESENT: Parish Councillors: Cllr E Collier (Chair), Cllr G Woodfield, Cllr F Clark, Cllr T Williamson, Cllr G. Sumnall, Cllr J Cobb

In attendance: T Callaghan (Clerk), Cllr K Isard, Mr P Cable

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr D Myers, Cllr S Isard

2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS.

Cllr T Williamson & Cllr F Clark-Village Hall

Cllr J Cobb & Cllr F Clark- Poor Close

Cllr G Woodfield & Cllr F Clark-St Peters Church, Laneham

3. POLICE REPORT

None. Clerk brought a new e-publication to the Councillors attention, Citizens in Policing, and passed a copy to the Chair.

4. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 10th August 2015

The minutes of the Monthly Parish Council meeting held 10th August 2015 were agreed to be a true record, proposed by Cllr T Williamson, seconded by Cllr G Woodfield

5. MATTERS ARISING

(a) Outstanding Items List:

(i) Village Hall Heating- Clifford Heating have visited the site and quotes expected to undertake necessary works both (a) with and (b) without moving the tank. These had been expected to be sent to clerk in time for meeting but have not been received. Clerk to email Clifford Heating and Cllr Collier to follow up on the telephone.

(ii) Village Signage . Ongoing-awaiting response

(iii) Helenship Lane Passing Places-.Ongoing. No developments. Await funding agreement.

(iv) Alterations to Bank Accounts-.No progress. Cllr Collier has contacted the bank regarding the complaint, of which they claimed to have no knowledge ! They have been given 14 days to make a response or the Ombudsman will be contacted Clerk has been into Retford where he was unable to transfer money between accounts and given form for on line banking. Clerk was also give a list of signatories which omitted two of the councillors, a situation that the bank had assured previously was sorted. A letter was signed by Councillors regarding the transfer, enclosing form and asking for explanation of signatories

(v) Street lighting-no faulty lights reported

(vi) Broading Lane. Await response

(vii) Village Hall Response received and improvements have been new urn, and improved procedures for when second cooker is in use.

(viii) Hedge between Laneham & Church Laneham- Clerk to contact Highways

(ix) Dog Fouling Signs- await action from BDC

(x) Willow Trees-Top Town Bridge-Ongoing-Cllr Sumnall to inspect with a view to cutting back.

(b) Nat West Accounts and Complaint-see (iv) above.

(c) Members Register of Interest-forms passed to Clerk from Cllrs J Cobb & F Clark.

(d) Archaeological Survey. Banking Arrangements. Advice received from NALC that receipt of monies would change council's status. Agreed that the Archaeological Group would look at setting themselves up as a more formal grouping, and apply for an account with Yorkshire Bank. Clerk has offered to maintain and operate account if this would be helpful and the council reiterated its support for the project.

(e) Press Releases/Retford Times- It was agreed that any press releases would in future be reviewed by the Chair before issue.

(f) Transparency Funding-Clerk advised monies may be available for the council to purchase both a computer and a multi purpose printer. It was agreed he should make an application. Monies would be awarded in January at the earliest.

Meeting closed 7:50pm

6. PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

There was a brief discussion regarding the Xmas Lights. Mr Clark of Main Street has kindly offered to test and certify the sockets for the lights, for which the Council expressed its gratitude. It was further agreed that Cllr Collier would turn the lights on.

Mr P Cable enquired whether the council would like filling the oil tank delayed due to the proposed works. Councillors agreed with Mr Cable that it would be better to fill the tank now given the currently low oil prices.

Mr Cable expressed his concerns over rural policing and recent developments. Councillors assured him that they share his concerns and comment formally on a regular basis.

Mr Cable noted that the reflectors on the bridge coming into the village via Dunham Rd were not working. Councillors instructed the clerk to contact Highways for repairs.

Meeting recommenced at 8.10pm

7. ACCOUNTS

(a) Payment of Accounts

Clerk presented invoices to the meeting. The following cheques were agreed and signed:

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| M Fanthorpe | 1119 | £358.33 | Maintenance |
| T Callaghan | 1120 | £155.70 | Clerk's Wages |
| Grant Thornton | 1121 | £120.00 | Auditors charge |
| Mr P Cable | 1122 | £239.16 | Xmas Lights |

8. PLANNING

None

9. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) NALC-re AGM

(b) Village Hall Committee-re Kitchen

(c) Village Hall Committee-re lowering Kerb by field in Broading Lane

(d) Sir Stuart & Lady Florence Goodwin Charity

10. LANEHAM LAST MONTH

Councillors commented on the presentation from Mr Spray in August on achieving funding, and asked the clerk to write and thank him for the information, confirming that we would be interested in the help he has offered.

Cllr G Woodfield reported on the Party In The Park, and thanked everyone for their support. After a very successful and enjoyable event, he was able to confirm that the day had raised over £1400 for Alzheimers research.

11. Any Other Business

(a) Winter Service-Clerk has been contacted regarding salt supplies. It was agreed that the council would take advantage of the offer of free supplies of salt (5x 25 Kilo bags) to be delivered to Cllr G Woodfield as last year.

Meeting closed 8.45 pm

Next meeting 7.00 pm at Village Hall, Laneham on Monday 12th October.