

# WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016 in the Village Hall, Winthorpe

**Present** – Mr A Leary (Chairman), Mr L Cammack, Mr R McClymont, Mr D Aldridge, Mr P Farmer, Mr M Kneen and Mr D Richardson

**Guest** – Mr John Nelson

**Clerk** – Mrs S Sillery

**Apologies** – Mr G Thompson, Mr B Allen and Mr B Wright

**Declaration of Interest** - None

## **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

Minutes of the last meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2016, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and approved accordingly.

## **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Mr Cammack confirmed that the identification for Bob Allen in relation to the Santander account is still ongoing. The bank was not willing to accept Bob's shot gun licence, despite it having his photo on it, as a recognised document. This situation is not affecting the running of the account.

Mr Cammack confirmed that the smaller of the two Santander accounts had not been closed down completely but kept open on a nil balance as the rent for the Powerline across the allotment goes directly into it.

Mr Cammack confirmed that he had written previously to Mr Stephen Jackson to thank him for his work.

The Defibrillator is on the wall of the Village Hall and is working. There is some wiring still to do and Mr Bainbridge the Electrician has been contacted in this regard.

Mini Audit by Mr Duncan Richardson is ongoing and will be completed by the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June 2016. Clerk is aware of the information required by Mr Richardson.

## **Accounts**

Copies of the accounts as at year end (31<sup>st</sup> March 2016) was circulated and discussed. Mr Leary confirmed that the Council needed to adopt the accounts. Mr Richardson is to conduct a mini audit prior to the necessary paperwork being submitted to Grant Thornton. The Audit will be discussed in the May meeting.

Balances - Current - £4,219.27

Events - £73.58

Festival - £611.96

Holding - £6,243.47

Mr Aldridge requested that the accounts be sent out with the minutes a week before the meeting so that individuals had time to review them. This was agreed and the accounts will be worked out to the end of the previous month and sent out accordingly.

The Clerk confirmed that the precept payment of £4,284.50 had been received.

## **Any Other Business**

Mr John Nelson asked the question as to why his Council Tax had a 4.9% increase within it. Mr Leary said that he could not answer that question there and then but would find an answer.

It was agreed that the Santander accounts must be recorded on the return to Grant Thornton this year.

It was agreed that a listing of the land owned by the Parish Council would be useful. There is common land also such as the Alms Houses and a strip at the side of the pub. It was suggested that Mrs Frances Kelly may have seen an Asset Register. Mrs Kelly arrived at the meeting and confirmed that she had not seen an Asset Register but that the deeds were kept at Tallents Solicitors (Ref Tom Gibbons). Mr Cammack said he would look through his file to see if anything was present which would give a definitive answer before we approach Tallents.

The Clerk confirmed it was unlikely that we would receive payment for the years of grass cutting which had not been claimed previously. However the 2015/2016 payment should be forthcoming shortly.

End of meeting 7.40 pm