

WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 14th December 2016 in the Village Hall commencing 7.30 pm

Present: Mr L Cammack (Chairman), Mr M Kneen, Mr B McClymont, Mr B Allen, Mr D Aldridge and Mr B Wright

Apologies : Mr A Leary, Mr P Farmer and Mr G Thompson

County/District Councillor: Mrs M Dobson

Clerk: Mrs S Sillery

76/16 - Declarations of Interest – None

77/16 – To Receive and Accept the Minutes of the last meeting 17th November 2016

Proposed by Mr Aldridge and seconded by Mr Kneen.

78/16 – Matters Arising

The Chairman asked the Clerk to make a couple of amendments to the accounts. Change the wording from expenses to expenditure and to ensure that the date at the foot of the accounts is changed.

Mr Aldridge raised a question in relation to the bonfire expenditure. The Chairman explained that the Parish Council did not pay Mr Chris Perkins for his expenditure at the 2015 bonfire and therefore the accounts show both this years and last year's expenditure.

Mr Allen gave the Council an update on the purchase of a memorial bench for Stephen Jackson. Jim Walters at Stapleford Lane will make a bench for around £300/350 and this would be ready for March. Mr Leary is going to look at the benches available from E Gill and Son and then a decision will finally be reached.

Update on the Go-Karting situation – Councillor Dobson has spoken to the owner and they currently do not have permission for motor bikes but it is their intention to make application. This will go through the normal procedures and will come before the Parish Council in due course. Apparently, the Police are happy with the motor bikes being there as it keeps them off the roads. The Parish Council disagreed with this and considered the noise to be a problem to the neighbours.

MUGA – The Chairman is to have a meeting with Paul Peacock of the Rural Commission in order to progress the MUGA. The plan is to site it near the Community Centre and also provide a new play area.

Graffiti – The Chairman has put a piece in Focal Point.

Thoroughfare Lane – Councillor Dobson has dealt with this matter. The road is adopted up to the school and will be dealt, including the drains, in better weather. Councillor Dobson has met with Mr Cook (School Head Teacher) and is going into school to have lunch with the children.

The Chairman has made an application to the Transparency Fund for funds to purchase a lap top for the Clerk. A decision will be reached in January.

Mr Kneen had previously raised the issue of the street lights in The Spinney as some residents had complained that the street lights were too far apart. Councillor Dobson confirmed that the whole county was going to have LED lights which would give extra light. However she has asked for extra lights in The Spinney.

The future of the Youth Club. Mr Thompson to arrange meeting of the Youth Club Committee and the Chairman to attend

79/16 – Invoices and Accounts for Approval

Payment for the purchase of the second defibrillator to Imperative Training Ltd £990.00

Payment to Doug Lyne for grass cutting/maintenance of £156.00.

The Clerk went through the accounts and confirmed all expenditure since the last meeting. She intends to claim the VAT spent from the period August to December 2016 and as soon as the payment is received we will be able to pay the Youth Club funds from the bonfire and pay for the wiring of the defibrillator to the Village Hall. The Community Centre is to pay for a secure box to house the defibrillator. Funds will be required to replace the pads in the future.

Mr Allen suggested holding another training session with Newark Community First Aid in relation to use of the defibrillator.

80/16 – Planning

The Clerk confirmed that planning had been passed in relation to the Dixon's project despite our concerns. Councillor Dobson confirmed that she did raise the issue of flooding; however Environmental Health and the Drainage Board have said that there is no problem in relation to flooding. We have asked that the Parish Council be copied in on letters in relation to this matter.

No other planning matters relating to our Parish

81/16 - Correspondence

None

82/16 Any Other Business

Councillor Dobson raised the issue about the bus shelter at Langford. She confirmed that the bus shelter would be repaired and stained in April/May. It was suggested putting a notice board up on the shelter to avoid flyposting issues. The cost of the notice board is £198 and she suggested that the Parish Council should fund this. Councillor Dobson will send all the relevant details to the Clerk. The pathway will also be looked at in the spring.

The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council will continue to have two trustees on the Community Centre Committee.

Mr David Barthorpe (Chairman of the Allotment Committee) has contacted the Parish Council regarding its previous decision to turn down his application for a “garage” to keep their sit on lawn mower. The Parish Council reconsidered this request but remained of the view that the “garage” would be a permanent structure and would not be appropriate on the allotment site. Councillor Dobson suggested they talk to Mr Gerald Baggaley who is a Holme Lane resident to see if he can help store the mower for them.

Meeting closed 8.05pm

ACTIONS

- Mr Leary and Mr Allen to source a suitable bench to purchase and bring the details to the next meeting so that we can get this matter resolved.
- The Chairman to progress the MUGA in Mr Farmers absence
- The Chairman to report on the Transparency Fund application
- Mr Thompson to arrange meeting of the Youth Club Committee and the Chairman to attend