

# WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

## **Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019 in the Village Hall, Winthorpe commencing at 7.00 pm**

**Present :** Mr L Cammack (Chairman), Mr B Wright, Mr B McClymont, Mr D Aldridge, Mr S Lord, Mr D Richardson, Mr P Farmer and Mr M Kneen

**Apologies:** Mr A Leary and Mr B Allen

**Clerk:** Mrs S Sillery

**Declarations of Interest:** None

### **Matters Arising from the Minutes of 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

The Clerk confirmed that the VAT had been applied for to the end of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 but had not yet been received.

The Precept is due to be credited on the 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019

The minutes were approved by Mr Wright and seconded by Mr Kneen

### **Monthly Accounts**

The Clerk had prepared the accounts as at the year-end - 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019

Festival Account - £842.13

Events Account - £943.47

Holding Account - £8,344.31

Current Account - £349.15

The Clerk also circulated the accounts for the new financial year. The only differences were in the Holding and in the Current Account

Holding Account - £3,411.87. The Clerk has transferred £4,432.44 to the current account for onward credit to the Santander Property Trust Account. This represents the balance of the Youth Club funds. £500 was also transferred to top up the current account

Current Account - £552.35 – Receipt of £500.00 top up and the Youth Club funds for transfer to Santander.

Payments made:

- Garage Rent - £42.39
- Clerk's Wages - £170.00
- Purchase of cement - £9.04
- Waste Bin purchase from Glasdon - £75.37

The Clerk had also prepared an expenditure comparison:

- Grass cutting had risen from £4,496 in 2017/18 to £5,031 in 2018/19. This was primarily as a result of Doug Lyne completing a lot of tree works during the year.
- The WREN expenditure was explained and how we contributed to the project.
- The Burial Ground fence was completed at a cost of £966.

Mr Lord asked if we needed to have the Play Park safety check this year by N.S.D.C bearing in mind the new equipment. The Chairman felt that it was worth doing bearing in mind the cost is only £55.08 and a third party is confirming the safety of the area.

Duncan Richardson to look at the accounts as at year end and the Clerk to prepare the necessary paperwork for the auditors.

### **Any Other Business**

Mr Richardson raised the point of Focal Point. Following Annie Purday leaving the village, Marcia Parkin who is the editor of The Fleet, (Collingham Parish Magazine), is taking on Focal Point until the end of the year in the existing format.

There will not be an August edition.

A lady has come forward to run Focal Point but she does not live in the village so this might not be ideal.

At the end of the year, if there is no replacement for Annie, there will be pages within the Fleet, dedicated to Winthorpe and Langford, but residents will have to pay a cost of £6 for 10 copies.

The Fleet will not benefit financially from the closing of Focal Point as the same adverts appear in both magazines.

The question was asked as to whether the Parish Council are obliged to provide a newsletter and the answer was no. Mr Farmer suggested an electronic version; however, with the majority of residents being elderly, this was not thought to be an ideal medium.

It was also asked how many hits our website receives; this is a question that we can put to Uxello.

Mr Richardson confirmed that Focal Point has always been a “one man band” with no committee, accounts or minutes.

It was agreed to leave the matter to the end of the year and see how things progress. It was agreed to pay the May contribution to Focal Point as usual.

Meeting closed at 7.25 pm