

WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday 16th May 2019 in the Village Hall, Winthorpe commencing at 7.00 pm

Present: Mr L Cammack (Chairman), Mr A Leary, Mr B Wright, Mr S Lord, Mr R Allen and Mr P Farmer

District/County Councillor: Mrs M Dobson

Clerk: Mrs S Sillery

1/19 – Apologies – None

The Clerk welcomed everyone to the AGM and informed the Council that the Parish Council would elect a new Chairman and Vice Chairman.

She confirmed that Mr Cammack was prepared to stand for another year as Chairman and that Mr Allen was prepared to stand as Vice Chairman. This was voted unanimously.

Following the recent Parish Council elections, the Parish now requires three Councillors for the Winthorpe Ward. The Clerk informed the Council that there are five candidates who have put their names forward.

The applicants are Mark Kneen, Bob McClymont, Andy Warner, Neil Moran and Paul Smith. The Chairman confirmed that he would not vote in case there was a tied result and he may be needed for a casting vote.

He asked that the Parish Councillors vote for the three people that they wanted to be part of the Council. The vote took place and the result was the election of Mark Kneen, Bob McClymont and Paul Smith. These three gentlemen were formally co-opted on to the Parish Council.

The Clerk is to inform all five applicants of the result.

2/19 To receive and accept the Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held on the 17th May 2018

Minutes voted unanimously as a true record.

3/19 Matters Arising

Mr Leary raised the question of the Risk/Asset Register. This is still outstanding and the Chairman confirmed that he would work with the Clerk to put this together.

The ownership of the Community Centre – This had previously been confirmed that the Parish Council do not own the Community Centre but they own the land that it is built on. The Community Centre, as tenants, pays an annual rent to the Parish Council.

4/19 Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave his annual report as follows:

Once again we have had a productive and busy year on the Parish Council.

The Burial Plot on Hargon Lane is now ready for use with a tarmac path bordered by a post and rail fence.

We now have a new play park next to the Community Centre that replaced the original equipment. The site looks excellent and many thanks go to Phil Farmer who sourced the funding and managed the project.

The Cricket Club has received lottery funding and planning permission has been applied for (via the Parish Council) to clad the containers in wood with a pitched roof. This should be undertaken in the near future.

The Allotment Association now has a storage unit on site that the Parish Council contributed towards.

There was another successful Summer Festival but the annual bonfire had a poor attendance and after paying its fixed costs, made a loss. This was disappointing as a lot of effort goes into this. I suggest it is run for another year, as 2018 may have been a "blip", but if 2019 is not a success, I recommend that the event is ended.

On a brighter note, the Tennis Club has now come under the Parish Council wing and with Andy Leary as the new chairman, I am sure it will go from strength to strength.

Des Aldridge has left the Parish Council after many years as both Chairman and Councillor and I would like to thank him for his efforts and humour at our meetings. The Council meetings will be a poorer place without Des.

Finally, I would now like to thank the following:

- *Sally, for carrying out a superb role as our Parish Clerk and giving me comfort that all our finances are in order. Thank you also for your excellent Victoria Sponge, keep up the good work.*
- *Councillor Dobson. Maureen is a great source of knowledge and gives our Council much valued support and assistance.*
- *Duncan Richardson for his continued work in auditing the accounts*
- *And all you Parish Councillors who make our meetings enjoyable and have given me excellent support throughout the year.*

5/19 Langford Matters

Mr Wright confirmed that a resident had complained that there were too many lorries going through the village on the A1133. Councillor Mrs Dobson confirmed that she had asked for this to be looked at to see if there has been an increase.

He also informed that there appears to be an industrial estate in the village. This is an issue of residents not applying for planning permission and not going through the planning procedure.

The Clerk confirmed that she had received an email from a resident, Amy Everatt, who was going to attend the meeting to discuss recent complaints but that she was no longer able to attend due to work commitments. She asked the Clerk to tell the meeting that they are working with the N.S.D.C to resolve the issues.

6/19 Presentation of the Winthorpe Parish Property Trust Accounts and Parish Council Accounts 2018/19

These were discussed at the April Finance Meeting and there were no issues arising from them.

The Clerk confirmed that the accounts and the end of year paperwork were currently with the Internal Auditor Duncan Richardson. The date for submission to the External Auditor is the 1st July 2019 and the necessary forms will be signed off during the June meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.30 pm