

# WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held remotely, due to the Covid 19 restrictions, on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021 commencing at 7.30 pm**

**Present :** Mr L Cammack (Chairman), Mr S Lord, Mr P Farmer, Mr M Kneen, Mr P Smith, Mr B Allen, Mr A Leary

**District/County Councillor:** Mrs L Dales and Mrs M Dobson

**Clerk:** Mrs S Sillery

**12/21: Apologies:** Mr R McClymont, Mr B Wright

**13/21: Declarations of Interest:** None

**14/21: To receive and accept the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> of January 2021**

Mr Leary asked whether the Community Centre had paid any of the cost towards the removal of the rabbits. The Clerk confirmed that PK Pest Control's invoice had been £430 and she had requested 50% of the invoice from the Community Centre. Mr Bateson had asked that the Parish Council contribute 50% towards the cost of repairing and making good the area by Doug Lyne, at a cost of £336. The Clerk had, at the same time requested 50% of the cost of the Playground inspection of £114. The calculation was as follows:-

£114.00	Playground Inspection
£430.00	PK Pest Control
£544.00	Total paid by Parish Council
£336.00	Doug Lyne paid by Community Centre
£208.00	Difference between the two figures
£104.00	50% of the figure duly paid by the Community Centre

The Clerk referred this to the Chairman for confirmation that this was in order.

The Chairman confirmed that he had written to the Cricket Club as previously discussed, to confirm that the Parish Council was not prepared to refund the £106.00 they paid towards the repair of the gate. He also informed them that there would be an annual rent increase in line with the RPI of £36.00 as per the terms of the lease.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Dales for sorting out the removal of the tree from the pathway. The Clerk confirmed that she had received an invoice from N.S.D.C .which she would pay and recover the funds from the householders whose tree had fallen.

The pathway crumbling near the bridge. The area has been tidied up and Councillor Dales reported that it was Notts County Council responsibility and they are working with the local Internal Drainage Board to sort it out.

Mrs Dobson confirmed that Mr Keeling has now retired, and his replacement is Shaun Brown, whose details she will forward to the Clerk in due course.

The Chairman has still to purchase a new flag

Updating of the website in relation to the Lord Nelson. The Chairman asked for information from the new tenants so that the website can be amended.

Mr Farmer confirmed that he had ordered an oak tree. Slightly more expensive than first thought but bigger £107.86. Mr Allen suggested making sure that any vegetation was removed from the area and that it had a tube around it for protection. The original stump is in the ground but this one will be planted away from that.

The lamp post outside the pub needs to be touched up with paint. Mr Farmer offered to do this at the same time as planting the tree.

The finger post sign is done and the bin that was attached to it is to be relocated.

The Chairman has put an article in Focal Point about the Scrap book but has not had any response. Mr Allen suggested whether Mr McClymont might be interested in taking it on. The Chairman is to follow this up.

The minutes were confirmed as a true copy, approved by Mr Farmer and seconded by Mr Kneen.

### **15/21 A46 Bypass Update**

Mr Kneen confirmed that the Parish Council had a meeting with Highways England and submitted their questions to HE in advance as planned.

It would appear that Newark and Sherwood DC have a similar stance as the Parish Council, in that alternatives have to be looked at and the village of Winthorpe has to be taken into consideration.

There has been a noise survey report and the results are surprising. The suggestion that adding a flyover can reduce road noise appears strange.

There is not a lot more action that the Parish Council can do until the official report comes out from Highways England which is expected in September. The Council has submitted its formal response to Highways England

The Council were updated about a meeting to be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> February between Mr Robert Jenrick MP and Councillor Roger Blaney of N.S.D.C. The Parish Council awaits feedback in due course.

Mr Smith praised the work that had been done by the Think Again Team. Utilising the media and getting the word out had been a lot of hard work and, in his opinion, had pulled the village together as a unit.

The Think Again Team are working on other route options. It is fair to say the south of Newark idea has been ruled out and north of the village is too costly. A subgroup of three people has been set up to see if they can come up with an alternative route, slightly further south over the Showground land. When they have got an alternative, this will be put passed an external company called Optima to see how likely it is Highways England would be to agree to it. Any new route has got to make road sense as well as economic sense.

The Council were informed that there will be lots of surveys going on and lots of people in high viz jackets around the area.

### **16/21 Neighbourhood Plan Update**

A meeting was held on the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021 and two issues were concentrated on, the Parish Boundary and the Conservation Area. There appears to be one anomaly, the Cricket pitch and field adjacent are in the Parish of Holme. Councillor Dales will raise this issue with NSDC.

The Conservation plan of 1974 which was updated in 2007 has been looked at and some parts don't make sense with property and land not included. The question is how do we go about changing it? Mr Smith has drawn a diagram, and this will be put to the Conservation Officer. We also need to engage with Adrian Allenbury who is our allocated officer. The next meeting is on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021. The Chairman is to set up a zoom meeting.

The Chairman suggested that the Conservation Area Plan is not extensive enough. Properties of note are not included in the area. Councillor Dales will arrange for Oliver Scott, the Conservation Officer to come out and visit the village.

### **17/21 District/County Councillor Updates**

Councillor Dobson informed the meeting that Western Power were upgrading the supply on Gainsborough Road starting at The Woodlands. The work will be from the 1<sup>st</sup> - 5th March 2021.

No update on the Tarmac funding, although Councillor Dobson has left messages for Mr Bradshaw.

Councillor Dobson raised the point that dog waste can be put in residential green bins.

Councillor Dales confirmed the fallen tree had been dealt with by NSDC. The Council have invoiced the Parish Council and the Clerk will invoice the residents

Lincoln Protein, the Skellingthorpe Plant, has been approved by Lincoln County Council.

### **18/21 Invoices for Approval and any other financial matters**

#### **Accounts**

<b>Tennis Club</b>	£4,307.37	No Change
<b>Focal Point</b>	£2,969.91	Keith Lam £72.00
<b>Holding Account</b>	£8,721.31	£500 transferred to C/Acc
<b>Festival Account</b>	£826.27	£0.01p interest
<b>Events Account</b>	£235.97	No change
<b>Current Account</b>	£150.67	£104.00 credit Community Centre, £430.00 paid to PK Pest Control and £500.00 transfer from Holding Account and Clerk's Wages of £170.00
<b>Property Trust Account</b>	£7,693.83	£58.01 and £3.45 credits from Western Power and £20.32 interest

Invoices to pay £76.80 for the tree removal, Dog Bin contract £640.80 and reimburse Mr Farmer for the purchase of the oak tree £107.86

The VAT refund which was submitted just before Christmas has not been paid, Clerk to chase.

### **19/21 Planning**

Mr Smith gave an update on planning applications

2 Gainsborough Road – no decision yet. There has been an amendment to the original application to open the entry at the gate which has been put in without planning to a tarmac 5 metre driveway with a five bar gate. The Parish Council has objected to the amendment. There are 23 objections to the development on the NSDC portal from residents in the village.

The application will come before the March committee and the Parish Council need to be represented and give their views. Mr Smith is happy to do this and will inform the Catherine Saxton at the Planning Department of his attendance. We need to define our objections very carefully. Councillor Dales to confirm the date.

Mr Kneen advised that there is a single storey 5 metre x 5 metre building being constructed at the property which is two metres from a property on The Woodlands which does not appear on the original plan.

The stables on Holme Lane – the Parish Council have objected to this due to flooding and the area is not suitable for a large structure.

Agricultural dealership – minor change to the original plan in relation to the shutter door.

71 Gainsborough Road - request to remove 4 trees and tidy overhanging branches.

Roundabout, Long Hollow Way – application to erect 4 non-illuminated signs – granted

A1 Travellers Site – no update

Friendly Farmer Car Park – Travellers have been on this site since Christmas and the area is a mess. There are about six caravans. Councillor Dales to pursue with NSDC even though it is private land.

## **20/21 Correspondence/AOB**

Letter from NSDC confirming Footpath 3 Diversion Order

The Chairman said that the Jubilee Walk towards the bridge was in a poor state. This is a permitted path so it needs to be kept in good repair. The Chairman is to talk to Doug Lyne about the work required and ask him to look at the overhanging trees.

Festival – Sue Masheder is looking to run the Festival this year. The Chairman confirmed that we will support this subject to Covid 19. The Chairman is to check our insurance to see about cancellation cover.

The Chairman raised the question of the Village Sign upon entering the village which is in a poor state. He asked Councillor Dobson if the Local Authority will give us a new sign as they have with most other villages. She suggested that we make an application for funding to the Local Improvement Scheme (LIS) in the next financial year.

Mr Kneen raised the question of having a defibrillator on Hargon Lane. The Chairman said he would talk to Sue Masheder about using and profits from the festival towards this.

The Chairman had received report of horses riding around the cricket and jubilee fields. This is private land and is prohibited. The Chairman is to purchase "No horse riding signs" and have them erected on the entrance gate.

Meeting closed at 8.58 pm

Actions:

Chairman to talk to Sue Masheder about using festival profits for a defibrillator

Chairman to talk to Doug Lyne about resurfacing the jubilee footpath

Chairman is to purchase "No horse riding signs" and have them erected on the entrance gate.

Chairman to purchase a new Union Flag

Mr Farmer to plant the new oak tree and paint the lamppost outside the Lord Nelson