MINUTES OF MEETING OF WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 17 JULY 2014 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM

Present: Mr D Aldridge, Mr L Cammack, Mr S N Jackson (Chairman), Mr A Leary, Mr R McClymont, Mr B Wright.

Clerk and Finance Officer - Miss S Tomlinson

CC/DC Mrs M Dobson

Public attendance - None

1. Apologies for absence:

Mr R Allen – Work Commitments Mrs S Masheder – Holiday Mr G Thompson – Other Commitments

These apologies were recorded and accepted.

2. Declarations of Interest:

Mr Wright declared an interest under the planning section in so far that he knew the applicant concerned, who was a neighbour. It was agreed that Mr Wright remain for this item but refrain from voting.

3. To receive and accept:

a) Minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2014

The Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Mr McClymont and seconded by Mr Wright.

4. Matters arising from the minutes:

- a) The Clerk had prepared the accounts for June.
- b) An email had been received from a nominated representative of the Thomas Brewer trust accepting a 12 month appointment. It was however mentioned that the usual term for a representative to be nominated is four years. The Clerk was asked to seek further clarification on this.
- c) The clerk reported that she had written to the Community Centre to outline the new terms of agreement regarding the grass cutting. Mrs Jackson was happy to accept the Parish Council arrangements, therefore the Clerk had advised Mr Lyne of the new arrangements.
- d) It was reported that the election signs that had remained up along the A1133 had now been removed.
- e) Mrs Dobson advised the Parish Council that Tarmac Lafarge had made a presentation at a recent meeting relating to the extension of the Sand and Gravel plans at a recent planning meeting, the proposed extension at the Langford site was accepted and agreed unanimously.

5. Finance:

a) To approve expenditure as at 17 July 2014:

Expenditure: £

Total Expenditure £ 0.00

There were no invoices for approval; however payment for the tree felling would need to be made on completion of the works.

- b) Mr McClymont passed the Clerk two invoices relating to the Winthorpe Festival. Payment of these was requested, however as previously discussed, following the Parish Council's financial audit, no payments were to be made until a full account for the event had been received. At this point no festival takings had been received therefore it was decided that payment of the invoices should be deferred. It was agreed that the Chairman, Finance Committee Chairman and the Clerk should meet to discuss and finalise the Festival account.
- c) The Accounts for June had been prepared by the Clerk and were accepted.

6. Planning.

a) The Grange, Langford – Erection of a single wind turbine.

The Parish Council objected to this application, based on the size and visibility of the structure from the village and surrounding areas.

CC Mrs Dobson had received a petition from many Langford residents objecting to the wind turbine and presented this to the District Council.

7. Report on the condition of the tree outside the Lord Nelson

a) It was reported that a large branch had fallen off the lime tree situated on the village green. Although the debris had been removed there were concerns that the tree looked as though it may have a problem which could have caused the branch to fall. After further investigation by two separate experts, it was found that the tree had an incurable fungal disease which has resulted in the tree becoming unsafe. Therefore the tree would regrettably need to be cut down. The Chairman had sought quotes for the work and it was agreed that the Parish Council would go for the most reasonable.

8. Risk Assessments

a) Risk assessments had been carried out in the villages, upon doing so it was reported that the fence along the River Fleet, bordering the Jubilee Field required some maintenance. It was also noticed that the village sign has become partially covered by hedge growth. The Clerk would arrange for the fence to be repaired and Mr Allen would cut the hedge adjacent to the village sign at the end of the Summer.

9. Correspondence

a) Mr Cammack had sent an email to the Clerk informing the Parish Council of a 24 hour emergency flood help line which can be used to report any blockages or problems relating to the River fleet. The Clerk added the number to the Council list of contacts for future reference.

10. Any other business

- a) Mr Leary advised the Parish Council that he had received a further complaint from a resident of Hargon lane, regarding trees adjacent to their property. The Chairman would write to the resident that had made the complaint.
- b) Mr Cammack reported that the village bonfire would be held on November the 8th this year.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Next Parish Council Meeting: Thursday 18th September 2014 – 7.30PM in the Village Hall.

Action required	Person to undertake the action	Date to be completed by
Prepare July and August	Clerk	18/9/14

Accounts		
Respond to planning application	Clerk	18/7/14
Write newsletter for Focal point	Clerk	18/7/14
Arrange tree felling – Village Green	Chairman	ASAP
Meeting to finalise the festival account	Clerk, Chairman and Finance Committee Chairman	To be confirmed by the clerk
Arrange repairs following risk assessments	Clerk	ASAP
Real time information	Clerk	31/7/14
Arrange midyear internal audit	Clerk & Internal Auditor	31/7/14