

MINUTES OF MEETING OF WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 17 JANUARY 2013 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM

Present: Mr B Allen, Mr L Cammack , Mr S Jackson (Chairman), Mr A Leary, Ms Masheder, Mr B McClymont, Mr G Thompson
Clerk and Finance Officer – Miss S Tomlinson

DC M Dobson
CC V Dobson

Public attendance – Mrs K Workman

1. Apologies for absence:

Mr D Aldridge – Indisposed
Mr B Wright – Work commitments

2. Declarations of Interest:

The clerk advised the council that Mrs Workman was attending the meeting to discuss a previous planning issue that the clerk had also opposed. Members of the council agreed that the Clerk could remain present throughout the conversation.

3. To receive and accept:

- a) Minutes of the meeting held on 12 December 2012.

The Minutes were taken as read and signed by the chairman. Proposed by Mr Leary and seconded by Ms Masheder.

4. Matters arising from the minutes:

- a) The clerk apologised to the Councillors for not getting the safety check audit sheets out as previously planned. These would be distributed before the next meeting.
b) Planning Applications had been responded to accordingly.
c) Financial Regulations and Standing Orders had been updated following a meeting with Mr Aldridge and Mr Jackson and Mr Leary. These were then circulated to the members of the council for their views and comments. A new draft would be circulated for discussion at the February meeting ready for adoption at the Annual general meeting.
d) Following Mr Richardson's attendance at the previous meeting, there was still some uncertainty about his position as internal auditor. Mr Allen had had a conversation with Mr Richardson regarding the meeting and topics discussed. Mr Richardson explained that he was happy to carry on in this position and would attend when requested and items had been identified relevant to his position, providing this didn't amount to every meeting.

5. Finance:

- a) To approve expenditure as at 17 January 2013:

<u>Expenditure:</u>	£
Uxello (Website hosting)	72.00
Mr D Lyne (Grass Cutting)	1075.38
Glasdon Uk Ltd – Dog Bin	108.28

Total Expenditure **£ 1255.66**

- b) The Clerk presented the members of the council with the accounts for the previous quarter. No comments were made. The clerk explained that she would be banking a cheque for one monthly

payment as the standing order for her salary had been duplicated in November. This would appear in the January accounts.

- c) Mr Leary asked of the status of the current VAT claim, Mr Aldridge was dealing with this, but he was not at the meeting therefore the clerk agreed to contact him and follow this up. Pressure was to be applied to the VAT office in order to move the situation forward.
- d) The Clerk presented the council with the suggested precept for 2013/14. It was requested that the grass cutting be put to tender as it was felt that the prices had slowly increased over the last few years and the council wanted to be sure they were still paying a competitive rate. The clerk would deal with this before submitting the precept. It was also noted that the 'Ringmaster' had now ceased therefore no funds would be required to support it. The Chairman referred to what he understood were the approval of the precept. Although nothing had been received so far from the district/county councils or government departments. Cllr M Dobson explained the new localism bill appeared to require councillors to seek dispensation under the directive of the clerk for declarations of interest in this respect. It was agreed that this would be looked into and the clerk would bring with her further information to the next meeting. Meanwhile subject to minor amendments the precept for 2013/14 as circulated was unanimously approved.

6. Planning.

One previous application was re raised for discussion:

- a) Application number: 12/01613/TEL24

Mrs Workman attended the meeting to express her disappointment that her objections to the above planning application were not taken into account when the council approved this application. The parish council had also objected to the application and were also angered that their views had not been heard. Mrs Dobson agreed to take this matter further as the councillors and Mrs Workman would like to know the councils reasons for approving their application after receiving strong objections and alternatives. Mrs Dobson would report back in due course.

7. Correspondence.

- a) Modifications and adaption's to the DPD – given to Mr Thompson to review as he had read the previous document. Mr Thompson would report back in due course.
- b) A complaint was received to the clerk regarding the mobile library. It was reported that the library was stopping at the junction of the Spinney, and it was felt that this was not an appropriate place to stop as it was the road was narrow and such a big vehicle causing disruption. Mrs Dobson agreed to follow this up.

8. Any other business

- a) Mr McClymont received a complaint about the state of the footpaths along Gainsborough Road, Winthorpe. Mr Dobson agreed to log the concern with Nottinghamshire County Council in order to begin taking steps to rectify the problem.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Next Parish Council Meeting: Thursday 21st February 2013 – 7.30PM in the Village Hall

Action required	Person to undertake the action	Date to be completed by
Write Focal Point monthly newsletter	Clerk	20 th January 2013

supply councillors with report forms to record the safety checks	Clerk	20 th January 203
Follow up planning issue as discussed above	Clerk	On going
Prepare January Accounts and finalise precept	Clerk	31 st January 2013