LEADENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the above Council held on Tuesday 9th December 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Mrs C Stokes, Mrs J Thurlow, Mrs K Willgoose, Mr S Burlton, Ms M Nelstrop, Mr Andrew Ward (chairman), District Councillor Ms L Conway, District Councillor Mrs M Overton

No parishioners' Questions

1. Apologies – none Declarations of Interest – none

2. Consideration and signing of the Minutes of the previous meeting

Mr S Burlton proposed that they be a true record of the meeting. Mrs K Willgoose seconded the proposal. The chairman signed the Minutes.

3. Consideration of the Clerk's Report on Matters Arising from the Minutes

a) St Anne's Well – 30 mph sign has been replaced. Clearance work on drains to be undertaken by Highways.

b) All drains reported in need of attention throughout the village last month are in Highways' system for clearance work.

c) Defibrillator sign for Bowls Club – ongoing.

d) Station Yard – on going

e) War Memorial – ongoing

f) Broken windows to the rear of No 29 Main Road – have now been boarded up.

g) Street lights – were reported to LCC following last meeting.

4. Consideration of Planning Matters

Ref: Application 13/1382/FUL Brant Broughton Cross Roads Mobile Home/touring caravan development

District Councillor Ms L Conway provided a Report from Highways regarding the Application which noted that access to the site, according to the Plans submitted were not in their view safe for either general road users or those living on site.

5. Consideration of Financial Matters

a) Bank Statement	
December statements not available	
Statement dated 4th November 2014	
H.I a/c	£8,894.06
Community a/c	£1,568.06
b) Payments in	nil
c) Payments to be made	
Clerk's salary	£ 278.09
Clerk's Expenses	£60.00
Post Office (PAYE)	£69.40

Mrs J Thurlow proposed that these payments be made. Ms M Nelstrop seconded the proposal. All members were in agreement.

d) Book keeping matters – Clerk reported that PC Accounts had been brought to balance to date and that PAYE had been taken over from Mrs Stokes.

6. Police Report

PCSO Meneses had attended prior to the start of the meeting to report no crime within the parish over the last month.

7. County and District Council Reports

County – none

District Councillor Ms L Conway submitted a report regarding:

a) The progress of the Local Plan

b) The Council Tax (CTS) Scheme Consultation which now will disregard all Child maintenance payments when assessing the income of applicants for CTS.

8. Matters of Correspondence

Letter from Energie Kontor regarding the administration of Community Funds which would be available should the application for Wind Turbines on Fulbeck Airfield be successful. Following discussion, it was agreed that further details on how the Community Funding worked was required before any commitment is made at this stage.

9 .Budget items for discussion

a) Quotation received from Veolia for cutting the grass verges within the parish. Weekly and fortnightly costs were presented for each of the areas requiring works. Clerk to check if a grant is available from LCC should PC take over such works.

b) Quotation submitted for a village Website were discussed.

c) Clerk presented figures on the current financial situation and reserves were noted. Further discussion took place on future use of reserves.

10. Report on meeting regarding maintenance work on the Fountain

No figures have been forwarded on possible works to date. They have been promised for next meeting.

11. Review on Management of the Village Hall site

From general discussion, the matter of securing the agreement of 'ownership of the Bowls Pavilion, mower shed and irrigation system' caused some concern. It was generally felt that for the sake of future Parish Councils and Bowls Club Management Committees that some formal agreement which states clearly all terms and conditions be put in place. This is to be moved forward.

12. Matters for Urgent Discussion

a) Salt Bin on Newark Hill has been involved in an accident – to be reported.

b) Fly tipping – Garden rubbish on the slip road by the Communications mast. To be reported.

c) Pot hole outside Primary School – has already been put into Highway's system d)Shed still remains on Long Lane – to be reported again

e) By pass drains – very overgrown and filled with rubbish leading to water over flowing across carriageway during heavy rain. Last cleared in February this year. Report to be made.

f) Chairman reminded members that we have not undertaken a Village Walk for some time. Dates to be decided at next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.55pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th January 2015