

LEADENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10th November 2015 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Mrs K Willgoose, Mrs C Stokes, Mr N O'Neil, Mr S Locking, Ms M Nelstrop, Mrs J Thurlow (chairman), Mr G McLusky, Mr P Flanagan PCSO.

1. Apologies – District Councillor Mrs L Conway

Declarations of Interest – none.

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

Mrs C Stokes proposed that they be a true record of that meeting. Mrs K Willgoose seconded the proposal. All members were in agreement. The chairman signed the Minutes.

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

- a) Heating oil theft reports – these were included in the Parish Council Report in parish magazine.
- b) Dog Warden services through winter - Mr Orme had agreed to reduced hours through winter and will continue to report monthly.
- c) Play Area checks – Mr Walker still away.
- d) Fulbeck airfield planning application for wind turbines – objections forwarded.
- e) Fountain maintenance – ongoing
- f) Request from Primary School for s safety barrier in front of new entrance/exit has been forwarded to Highways.
- g) Additional Street lighting – information received from LCC informs us that new street lights cannot be considered currently due to budget cuts.
- h) Asbestos dumped by the barrier adjacent to A17 west side has been reported to NKDC.
- i) Maintenance required on road surface on High Street has been reported to LCC Highways.
- j) Bowls Club proposed meeting – ongoing as unable to achieve date for all parties.
- k) Clerk reminded Councillors about the lack of progress regarding a new footway

4. Consideration of Planning Matters – no applications.

5. Consideration of Financial Matters

- a) Bank Statements – not received.
- b) Payments in – nil
- c) Payments to be made

Came & Co (Village Hall Insurance) £1870.46

Leadenham PCC (Church Clock maintenance grant s137) £240.00

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

d) Dog Warden contract – discussion regarding the need for Dog Warden Services took place. It was agreed to request for one hour per week, with a monthly report during winter months.

6. Police Report

PCSO Mr P Flanagan reported no crimes in the parish during the previous month.

7. County and District Council Reports

County – no report.

District – Councillor Ms L Conway forwarded a Report highlighting a reminder for the deadline for Consultation comments for the Local Plan and an update the on Council Tax Support Grant.

8. Matters of Correspondence – none

9. Adoption of the Transparency Code – Clerk outlined the latest legislation, issued following the abolition of the Audit Commission, regarding the need for Councils to adopt the Transparency Code which will lay down the new Audit structure which will come into force in 2017/18.

Ms M Nelstrop proposed the Code be adopted. Mr G McLusky seconded the proposal. There were no objections.

10. Discussion regarding comments to the proposed Local Plan

It was agreed that the following comment be forwarded:

The number of new houses proposed would require significant increase in infrastructure. This need was insufficiently specified in the Plan. Should this not be adequately addressed and catered for, current services would face severe problems as new development takes place.

11. Speeding issues through the village

Mr McLusky and another Councillor would undertake a survey as to where to place additional signs.

Access to SPID – Mr McLusky to be forwarded email address of chairman of Harmston PC where it is currently held.

Mr McLusky reported that Road Safety Partnership would need to carry out a survey regarding placement of signs at a cost of £40. They will seek permission from Highways regarding the legality of placing on various poles.

12. Further discussion on the War Memorial

Mr O'Brien reported that he had accessed the War Memorial Trust and an Application for funding could be made.

The moving of the memorial to a more central site in the village was discussed.

Mr O'Brien to seek quotes from stone masons for work on the Memorial.

13. Matters for Urgent Discussion

1. Further windows broken in the rear of the empty property opposite the Village Hall
2. Refrigerator dumped by the Telecommunication Tower – has been reported to NKDC.
3. A17 Gulley – near bypass junction west side needs clearance.
4. Street Light on Station Terrace is not operating. Has been reported.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20 pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th December 2015 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.