

## **LEADENHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2015 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall**

**Present:** Mrs K Willgoose, Mrs J Thurlow (chairman), Mrs C Stokes, Mr S Locking, Mr N O'Brien, Ms M Nelstrop, Mr G McLusky, District Councillor Ms L Conway, two PCSO representatives .

#### **1. Apologies – none**

Declarations of Interest: none.

#### **2. Introduction of new Councillors and signing of Acceptance of Office and Code of Conduct forms and Declaration of Interest forms**

All Councillors completed Acceptance of Office forms. New Councillors received Code of Conduct and Declaration of Interest forms – to be returned to the Clerk within 7 days.

#### **3. Consideration and signing of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Mrs K Willgoose proposed they be a true record of the meeting. Ms M Nelstrop seconded the proposal. All members were in agreement. The Chairman signed the Minutes.

#### **4. Clerks' Report on Matters Arising from the Minutes**

- a) Dog warden patrols are now operational. Warden has posted signs around the village.
- b) Problems at an address in Post Office Yard – another report has been made to RSPCA regarding the care of the dog on the premises. A visit was made. Further problems with accumulation of rubbish in front of the premises. Landlords are aware.
- c. Three feathers Funeral Parlour planning application – no response from NKDC to date on progress of this application.
- d) Verge between Quarry Lane and footpath entrance (opposite Crow Lane) – trimming back of overgrowing bushes/branches has been carried out. A Quotation has been received from R Brittain (£60) to trim the verge.
- e) The issue of straw shedding during transport from Fulbeck Airfield to Sleaford and subsequently blocking drains/gulleys on bypass – no response from NKDC or LCC regarding scheduled meetings to discuss the problem. Clerk to request progress report from NKDC.
- f) Additional cheque signatories have finally been acquired.
- g) Tree survey of those for which the Council are responsible – Simpson Arboriculture have agreed to undertake following the establishment of boundary responsibility in the Parish Field.
- h) Overgrown tree branches opposite Primary School – has been reported to GWP.
- i) Pavement clearance – Poor Row had been omitted on the original clearance but the work was carried out several days ago.
- j) Re-valuation of Village Hall site – Clerk to contact came & Co regarding a quotation.

#### **5. Consideration of Planning Matters – none**

#### **6. Consideration of Financial Matters**

a) Bank Statements	
H.I a/c as of 4 July 2015	£12,597.93
Community a/c as of 4 July 2015	£1,374.27
b) Payments in	nil
c) Payments to be made	
Internal Audit fee (Mrs P Brumhead)	£50.00
Simpson Arboriculture	£1,008.00

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

d) Acceptance and signing of the External Audit. The External Audit was presented to Council. Ms M Nelstrop proposed they be accepted as a true record of all accounting. Mrs K Willgoose seconded the proposal. All members were in agreement. The chairman signed the External Audit sheet.

#### **7. Police Report**

Two crimes were reported during the last month in the parish

Speed guns are now being used randomly throughout the area in villages where a need has been identified.

#### **8. County and District Council Reports**

County Council Report – none  
District Councillor Ms L Conway reported as follows:

**‘Central Lincolnshire Local Plan**

The consultation on the draft of the Local Plan has been postponed to October/November. The draft Local Plan will be presented to the Central Lincolnshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee on September 7<sup>th</sup> for approval for consultation. This version of the Plan will contain the proposed overall level of growth for Central Lincolnshire, together with the proposed land Allocations to deliver the growth.

I have requested that one of the Local Plan team attend our next Cliff Cluster meeting following the approval of the draft Plan for consultation, so that we can all have the opportunity to get to grips with the proposals before making our individual and Parish responses. I will let you know as soon as a date has been agreed.’

**9. Matters of Correspondence.**

None.

**10. Consideration on Management of Play Area**

Check to be made with Insurance Company regarding training/qualifications required by person carrying out monthly check on Play equipment to ensure adequate and valid Insurance cover  
Local person to be contacted regarding the possibility of being employed to carry out monthly checks.

Clerk to investigate Training Courses available should the need arise.

**11. Consideration on Matters relating to Bowls Club**

Clerk reported:

- a) Bowls Club were not prepared to contribute towards the cost of placing a barrier on the disabled parking bay to prevent traffic nudging the rear wall of Bowls pavilion and possibly causing damage.
- b) Village Hall Management Committee were not prepared to contribute unless all three bodies were, as originally planned.

Members of the Council were in agreement with Village Hall Committee. It was to be a three way contribution or nothing. Bowls Club to be informed of the decision.

Contract between parish Council and Bowls Club establishing ownership and responsibilities for land, buildings, maintenance and procedure in the event of Bowls Club closing – members unanimous that this matter is pressed forward.

**12. Matters for Urgent Discussion**

- a) Gulley in road on High Street north near Redberry House needs clearing.
- b) Pot hole off the Green running into High Street needs repair.
- c) Street lights in Waterloo Paddock remains lit during daylight.
- d) Drain Quarry Lane/A607 – still not re sited.

Mrs Thurlow (chairman) reported on her attendance at the presentation held at Welbourn Village Hall which presented facts against Windfarm developments.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.15pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015.