

LANGTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 17TH MARCH 2015

AT CORONATION HALL

Present

Chairman

Cllr M Collins

Vice Chairman

Cllr D Fearnside

Cllr M Fisher

Cllr L Gill

Cllr B Knowles

Cllr S Beaumont

Cllr R Windass

Cllr N Brown

Clerk

Louise Harper

No members of the public were in attendance.

1 **Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed all members in attendance

2 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from P C Neil Waite.

3 **Minutes of meeting held on 20th January 2015**

The above minutes were read and approved, proposed by Cllr Fisher and seconded by Cllr Fearnside.

4 **Declaration of Interest**

Lowfield Lane

5 **Matters Arising** (not covered elsewhere)

Dog Bins

No update has been received regarding this matter from Harrogate Borough Council, Cllr Brown to seek an update.

Back Lane Development

Cllr Collins has had a meeting with the developers who have made assurances the area will be reinstated back to its original condition when work has been completed.

6 **Correspondance as received by 14th March 2015**

There have been two complaints regarding cars parking whilst dropping off and picking up Grammar School students for the school bus, they are obscuring visibility at the Skelton Road/Leeming Lane junction. It was suggested the buses stop outside the Fox and Hounds where there is a parking layby. Cllr Windass to contact the bus company concerned.

7 **Financial**

The clerk reported the following balances

Current Account	£ 7097.47
Savings Account	£11974.06

Payments (List Below)

100751	Homeseecure Locks	£237.60
100752	Johnsons Plumbing & Heating	£180.49
100753	S P Saunders	£320.00

Proposed by Cllr Fearnside, seconded by Cllr Gill.

8 **Planning**

Planning as received by 14 March 2015

Field opposite end of Skelton Road 14/04003/OUTMAJ
Outline planning for this site has been approved.

The Grange 14/05287/DVCON
Planning to remove affordable housing from The Grange had been denied.

Cllr Brown, having recently attended a housing assessment meeting reported it was unlikely any further large sites in the area would be developed for housing.

9 **Sub Commitees**

Joint Parish Meeting.

Cllr Collins reported the following,

As objections have been received regarding the proposed HGV restrictions, a document has been issued to gather comments. There is currently a traffic survey being done in the area.

Any changes to Boroughbridge library are not being made until April 2017. The area of concern is funding repairs to the building when they are required.

Yore Vision

Yore Vision have launched an Easter Walking Festival, leaflets are being distributed.

Emergency Committee

Nothing to report

10 **Agenda Items**

Water Rats Club proposal

It was agreed by all members that Langthorpe Parish Council would not express an opinion on the outcome of the Water Rats Club unless specifically asked to do so.

Report on Yorkshire Water Visit

Following a meeting with Yorkshire Water, Cllr Collins reported the water authority are satisfied the increase in demand will be met. All manholes are currently clear.

Graffiti and litter under bridge.

Clerk to contact AECOM to have the graffiti and litter removed.

Neighbourhood Watch

The list of area co-ordinators is being updated.

There is a Safer Neighbourhoods Meeting on 9th April at Coronation Hall. Cllr Fisher to attend.

Village Spring Clean

The spring clean on 7th March went well.

Fox & Hounds

Potential tenants have been interviewed.

Highways

The Parish Council still require clarification as to which roads are classified as Category 6. Cllr Windass suggested Richard Flinton was contacted under the 'Freedom of Information Act'.

Cllr Windass reported that Thornton Bridge would be closed for six weeks, and controlled by traffic lights for six weeks thereafter.

The damaged signpost on the roundabout has been removed whilst it is repaired.

Cllr Windass reported that Area 6 Highways are not responsible for removing the advertising banners on the roundabout.

Cllr Gill reported the property owner of Lowfield Grange will maintain the road from the property up to the Council gully. He again expressed his concern over the poor road surface.

Cllr Collins has had no response to his enquiry regarding the road markings carried out on Skelton road last August.

It was reported better drainage was required on the bend on Skelton Road to avoid flooding and that Stephen Knowles was waiting for some pipe to assist in repairing it.

Cottages

Cllr Collins has received a quotation to carry out repairs to the cottages as recommended at the last annual inspection. All members were in agreement that the work should go ahead.

Brighter Boroughbridge & District

Nothing to report.

Archaeological Project

The Councillors were shown the first draft outlining a new walk from Langthorpe out through Skelton.

Commuted Sums

The commuted sums for Oak house are still outstanding. The two bungalows at Waterside are yet to be invoiced by HBC.

Play Area

A quote to replace the turf at the goal mouths was approved by all Cllrs.

Picnic Area

Cllr Gill reported that quotations regarding repairs to the car park are still ongoing.

There is a new memorial bench to be installed.

Street Lights

Cllr Knowles reported all in working order.

Web Site

Nothing to report.

Welcome Pack

Cllr Gill requested more copies to distribute.

Dates for 2015

19th May

21st July

15th September

17th November