

LANGTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 17 MAY 2016
At Coronation Hall, Milby YO51 9BL

PRESENT: Cllr M Collins (Chairman), D Fearnside (Vice Chairman), Cllr M Fisher, Cllr L Gill, H Heavisides (Clerk),

Members of the Public: None

Late Arrivals: None

Early Departures: None

The meeting opened at 7.33pm

1. Apologies for absence. County Councillor R Windass

2. Chairman's Report 2015/16

Firstly, as we say goodbye to the old Parish Council we have to thank all the Parish Councillors for their work during the year, but especially to Barbara and Stella who chose not to continue as Councillors.

This year we gained a new Clerk, Nellie, who not only brought with her a wealth of experience, but the news that we had to cope with something called the 'Transparency Code' a different way for the Council to operate, which has required hours of preparation and the issuing of lots of new documents and ways of working.

We have been involved in planning applications not only in our Parish, but also in Milby due to the large estates which are planned to be built on adjacent fields. We hope that the roads and services can cope.

The River Ure burst its banks twice during the winter requiring road closures, and the councillors helping locals, visitors and passers-by to deal with the problems. The new bench donated by the WI and the new tarmac in the picnic area coped with both events.

We invested in the Christmas lights with the Chamber of Trade who have taken over from HBC in looking after them.

The Historical Society carried out a tremendous amount of research in finding out about Dog Kennel Lane, General Wade's camp, Brampton Hall and the history of the area and has made a circular walk out to Skelton and back into Langthorpe.

The only frustration for the last year has been the continual problems with North Yorkshire Highways Department in trying to get them to do their job properly within the Parish, although talking to other councils we are not alone.

Finally, can I thank both Nick Brown and Robert Windass for their help during the year in charting us through the other tiers of local government.

Cllr Gill thanked the Chairman for his work through the year and congratulated him on his MBE honour.

3. Parish Precept 2016/2017 (*)

- 4. Any other business** (Previous notice in writing will be required where detailed answers are necessary to the address or email above). None

(*) At the Parish Council Meeting held on 17 November 2015, it was resolved that no Precept for 2016/2017 was necessary. Minute ref: 8(h)

Meeting closed at 7.37pm

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Chairman